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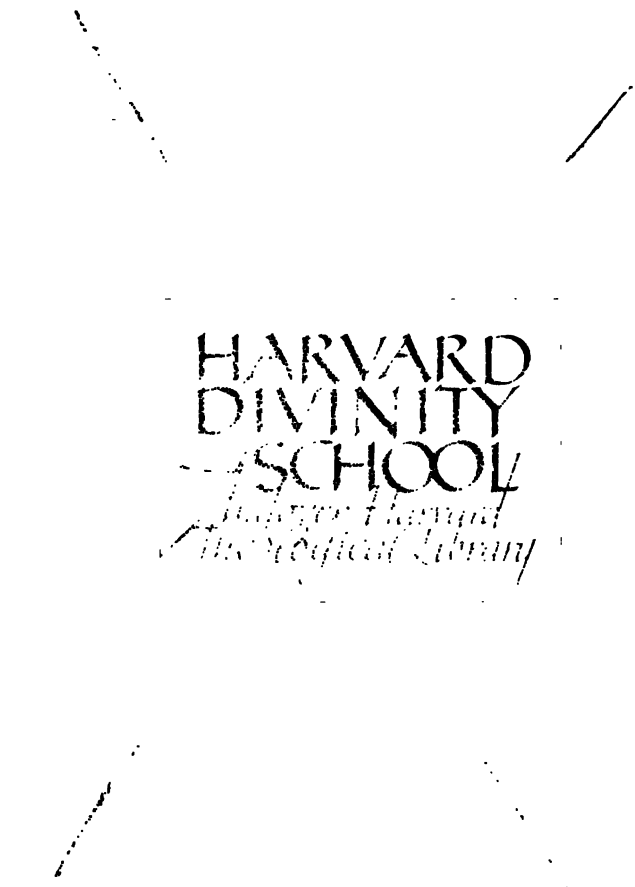
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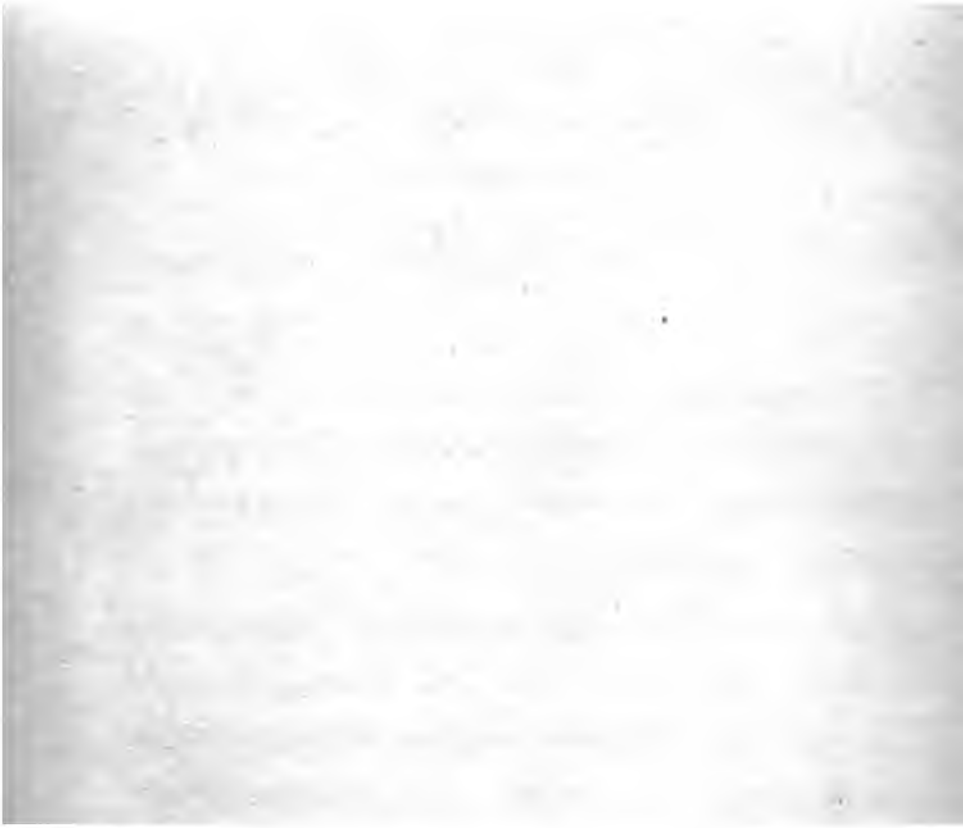

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This Board had its origin in action taken by the General Association of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts in 1868; and was incorporated by an act of the Legislature in 1869.

Caleb H. Warner, 18 Brewster Street, Cambridge, is now its president; Arthur G. Stanwood, Esq., 701 Sears Building, Boston, is treasurer, to whom all contributions should be sent.

Rev. Edward B. Palmer, Rev. Morton Dexter, and Rev. Charles B. Rice are the executive committee.

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Provisional committee. — Revs. G. Glenn Atkins and Charles H. Watson; Levi J. Gunn and F. A. Rugg, all of Greenfield; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston.

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Auditing committee. — H. N. Ackerman, of West Medford; Thomas Todd, of Concord; Rev. Howard A. Bridgman, of Boston.

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On gambling. — Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; Gorman D. Gilman, of Newton; S. T. Field, of Shelburn Falls; Rev. Chas. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. Chas. M. Southgate, of Auburndale; W. H. Emerson, of Cambridge; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Centre; S. Homer Woodbridge, of Boston.

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On labor organizations. — James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, of Chelsea; Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline; Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock, of Newburyport; Rev. William H. Allbright, of Dorchester; Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Jesse H. Jones, of North Abington; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; John H. Colby, of Boston.

On the wider circulation of religious literature. — Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield; Rev. William E. Barton, of Boston; Rev. Ellis Mendell, of Jamaica Plain.

Members of Executive Committee of Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. — Rev. Geo. H. Johnson, of Lowell; Thomas Todd, of Concord.

On the nomination of candidates for the corporate membership of the American Board. — Rev. Elijah Horr, of Brookline; Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Newton; Rev. Henry E. Barnes, of North Andover; Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers; G. Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester.

On consolidation of missionary publications. — Rev. Edward C. Ewing, of Danvers; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. E. Ellsworth Strong, of Auburndale; Rev. John E. Tuttle, of Worcester; William F. Whittemore, of Boston.

On proposed amendment to Rule XV. — Rev. Warren P. Landers, of Middleton; Rev. Charles H. Beale, of Boston; Rev. Merle A. Breed, of Westboro; Rev. William E. Barton, of Boston; Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, of Chelsea.

COMMITTEE ON THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES.

Chairmen of Committees of Local Conferences. — Andover, Rev. E. W. Pride; Barnstable, Rev. Wm. C. Detling; Berkshire North, Rev. Alford B. Penniman; Berkshire South, Rev. Walter W. Curtis; Brookfield, Rev. Benson M. Frink; Essex North, Rev. John N. Lowell; Essex South, Rev. T. Frank Waters; Franklin, Rev. Edward P. Butler; Hampden, Rev. Henry C. Messerve; Hampshire, Rev. Robert M. Woods; Hampshire East, Rev. George E. Fisher; Mendon, Rev. Rufus K. Harlow; Middlesex South, Rev. Geo. A. Brock; Middlesex Union, Rev. George A. Tewksbury; Norfolk, Rev. Robert R. Kendall; Old Colony, Rev. William Carruthers; Pilgrim, Rev. Oscar F. Davis; Suffolk North, Rev. Albert Watson; Suffolk South, Rev. Wm. H. Bolster; Suffolk West, Rev. Charles E. Havens; Taunton, Rev. Elwin L. House; Woburn, Rev. Isaac Pearson; Worcester Central, Rev. Thomas E. Babb; Worcester North, Rev. Davis Foster; Worcester South, Rev. John R. Thurston.

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Until 1899. — Revs. A. W. Archibald, S. G. Barnes, John D. Kingsbury, and Geo. R. Hewett; Preston B. Keith, Brockton, and W. G. Harding, Pittsfield.

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Members ex officio. — Revs. Henry A. Hazen and Francis J. Marsh.

NOTICES FOR 1898.

Meeting of 1898. — Greenfield, Tuesday, May 17.

Expenses. — The treasurers of the conferences are requested to ask the churches to contribute, at the autumnal meetings, a sum equivalent to three and one half cents for each member, based upon the total membership of Jan. 1, 1897, and to forward the amount to William A Paine, 52 Devonshire Street, Boston, Mass. These amounts are needed promptly, and it is specially requested that all dues be paid before Jan. 1, 1898. The number of members in each church will be found in the statistics of the churches in this pamphlet.

OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

(Elected for Three Years Each.)

Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Auburndale, *secretary.*
From 1888. Re-elected 1897.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Neponset, *assistant secretary.*
From 1895. Re-elected 1897.

Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston, *registrar.*
From 1889. Re-elected 1897.

Rev. James W. Flagg, Foxboro, *assistant registrar.*
Elected 1897.

William A. Paine, Boston, *treasurer.*
Chosen 1891. Re-elected 1897.

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Dea. Charles J. Holmes	*Fall River.*	1900
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RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

I. NAME. — This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

II. OBJECT. — Its object is to secure Christian union, fellowship, and intercourse among the ministers and churches ; promote spirituality, and to co-operate with one another and with other ecclesiastical bodies in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom.

III. DOCTRINAL BASIS. — This Association agrees to the Declaration of Faith adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches in the year 1865, the doctrines therein set forth being understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the gospel.

IV. DENOMINATIONAL BASIS. — Being based exclusively upon Congregational principles, this Association shall, under no circumstances exercise ecclesiastical authority over churches or individuals, or interfere with the government or discipline of the churches, or consent to hear appeals, or give advice in ecclesiastical causes of any kind.

V. MEMBERS. — Each evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association its pastor and one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, treasurer, and the pastor of the church with which the annual session is held, shall compose the General Association. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit.

VI. OFFICERS. — 1. A secretary, an assistant secretary, a registrar, an assistant registrar, and a treasurer shall be chosen by ballot, each to serve three years from the close of the session at which the choice was made; to these offices any member of any Congregational church connected with this body shall be eligible. In case any of these offices become vacant between the annual meetings of the Association, the vacancy may be filled until the next following meeting by vote of the remaining officers.

2. A moderator shall be chosen by ballot from the members at each annual session who shall serve until his successor is chosen at the opening of the next annual session.

3. The secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, collect the statistics of ministers and churches, and have charge

of the printing thereof ; distribute the publications of the Association and preserve, for the permanent use of the Association, copies of all its publications.

4. The registrar shall make the records of each meeting, and preserve them as the permanent property of the Association. He shall give suitable notice to the churches of the time and place of each session.

5. The treasurer shall receive all money raised for the use of the Association, disburse the same as directed, and present an annual report, to be audited as the Association may direct.

6. The secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer shall be, *ex officio*, members of the Association. Their travelling expenses in attending the several sessions shall be paid by the Association.

VII. ANNUAL MEETING. — The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of May, at two P. M. (or at some other more convenient hour), at such place as shall have been duly designated.

VIII. HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY. — The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may annually elect two delegates to be members of this body, while it consents that this body may nominate two persons for membership in the Executive Committee of that society.

The two persons thus nominated shall be from the membership of the Association at the time, and shall not be eligible for nomination for more than two years in succession, and shall, if required, make report concerning the work of the society at the next meeting of the Association.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE. — Official fraternal intercourse with the several State Congregational organizations, and with other denominations, is sufficiently had by the representation of this body in the National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States.

X. ORGANIZATION. — The moderator, or in his absence, the pastor of the church of the place of meeting, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until it be properly organized. The Association shall then be organized by the choice of a moderator and the session shall be opened with prayer.

XI. COMMITTEES. — The following committees shall be chosen: —

(1.) A Committee on Credentials, which shall be appointed by the moderator immediately after the opening of the session, to which all certificates of membership shall be referred.

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XV. RULES OF ORDER. — The rules of order shall be those found in common parliamentary practice, subject, however, to the following specifications: —

1. The report of the Committee on the Work of the Churches may occupy thirty minutes in reading, but the reports of special committees shall be limited to ten minutes each.

2. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Association.

3. When a question is under debate, the moderator shall entertain motions only as follows, viz.: to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone to a time certain, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the foregoing order.

XVI. AMENDMENTS. — 1. Any of the above rules, except the first five, may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote, the proposed amendment having been submitted in writing on the day previous to that of the action.

2. Amendments to either of the first five articles shall not be made except upon their proposals in writing at the annual meeting next prior to that of action, and after notice has been sent to the several Associations, Conferences, and Churches, and by a two-thirds vote.

MINUTES.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS met for its ninety-fifth annual session with the Plymouth church, Worcester, Tuesday, May 18, 1897.

ORGANIZATION. — At 3.30 P. M. the Association was called to order by Rev. Henry A. Hazen, secretary. The ballot for moderator resulted in the choice of Thomas Todd, of Concord.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, of Worcester. The following were appointed tellers for the sessions of the Association: —

Rev. William J. Batt, of Concord; Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield; James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Rev. Bartlett H. Weston, of Dunstable.

ROLL OF THE ASSOCIATION.

DELEGATES FROM THE CHURCHES.

Abington,	Rev. Wilson S. Fritch, J. T. Richmond.
Amesbury, Union,	E. A. Goodwin.
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" College,	Pres. Merrill E. Gates.
" South,	Rev. John F. Gleason, Dea. Thomas Read.
Andover, South,	Rev. Frank R. Shipman, Rev. Geo. R. Dickinson.
Ashburnham, 1st,	Rev. Nathan T. Dyer.
Attleboro',	Rev. Elwin L. House, A. B. Carpenter.
Auburn,	Rev. Charles M. Pierce, Thomas S. Eaton.
Ayer,	Rev. Horace F. Hallett.
Baldwinville,	J. W. Addison.
Barre,	Rev. Joseph F. Gaylord.
Bedford,	Rev. Edwin Smith.
Belchertown,	E. H. Sanford.
Berlin,	Rev. Henry F. Markham, Clara L. Shattuck.
Beverly, Dane St.,	Rev. Francis J. Van Horn.
" Washington St.,	Rev. Wm. A. Bacon.
Blackstone,	Rev. Frank G. Alger.
Boston, Old South,	Rev. George H. Flint, J. M'E. Drake.
" 2d, Dorchester,	Rev. Arthur Little.
" Berkeley Temple,	Hamilton S. Conant.
" Eliot, Roxbury,	Rev. Benjamin F. Hamilton, Dea. Alpine McLean.
" W. Roxbury,	Rev. Frank W. Merrick, Hamilton I. Smith.
" Shawmut,	Rev. William E. Barton.
" Jamaica Plain,	Rev. Charles L. Morgan, Rev. A. E. Dunning.
" Immanuel, Rox.,	Rev. Charles H. Beale.
" Neponset,	Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Harvey N. Raymond.
" Walnut Ave., Rox.,	Rev. Albert H. Plumb, Wm. L. Greene.
" Harvard, Dor.,	Rev. William H. Bolster.
" Central, Dor.,	Rev. Perley B. Davis.
Boxboro, West Acton,	Rev. Albert B. Peabody, Dea. M. E. Wood.
Boylston,	Rev. D. Emery Bartner, Mrs. H. A. Walker.
Braintree, First,	Mrs. J. H. Dearing.
Bridgewater,	Rev. Elbert S. Porter, W. D. Jackson.
Brockton, First,	Rev. Alan Hudson, Chas. D. Brigham.

Brockton, Campello,	Rev. Wm. T. Beale, Chas. F. Clarke.
Brookfield,	Rev. E. B. Blanchard.
Brookline, Harvard,	Rev. Reuen Thomas.
" Leyden,	Rev. Harris G. Hale, E. B. Floyd.
Cambridge, First,	Geo. E. Mackintire.
" North Ave.,	M. L. Walton.
Charlton,	Rev. Geo. O. Jenness.
Chelmsford, North,	Rev. S. Ingersoll Briant, Mrs. S. I. Briant.
Chelsea, First,	Rev. Ross C. Houghton, Henry H. Stickney.
" Central,	Rev. Chas. E. Jefferson, Leonard A. Treat.
" Third,	Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart.
Clinton,	Rev. Wm. W. Jordan, T. G. Mayberry.
Concord,	Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury, Dea. Thomas Todd.
Conway,	Dea. Field.
Dalton,	Rev. George W. Andrews.
Danvers, Maple St.,	Rev. Edward C. Ewing.
Dedham, Islington,	Rev. Warren F. Bickford, Garretson Pettigrew.
Douglas, East,	Rev. William G. Briggs.
Dunstable,	Rev. Bartlett H. Weston, Dexter Butterfield.
Everett, 1st,	Rev. Arthur B. Patten.
Fairhaven,	Mrs. Chas. C. Woodman.
Fall River, Fowler,	Rev. Payson W. Lyman.
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	Rev. George R. Hewitt.
" Rollstone,	Rev. William O. Conrad.
Foxboro,	Rev. James W. Flagg, Rev. George F. Wright.
Gill,	Miss Bella W. Hume (acting pastor).
Gloucester, Trinity,	Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard.
Grafton,	Rev. Benjamin A. Robie.
" Saundersville,	Rev. David Howie.
Granby,	Rev. Robert C. Bell.
Greenwich,	Rev. Laurence Perry.
Groton,	Rev. L. B. Voorhees.
Hadley, 2d, North,	Rev. John W. Lane.
Hamilton,	Rev. Jesse G Nichols.
Hanover, Four Corners,	Rev. John Wild.
Hardwick,	Rev. Harlan Page.
Haverhill, Centre,	Rev. Calvin M. Clark.
" North,	Rev. George H. Reed.
" Union,	Rev George Benedict.
Holbrook,	F. Holbrook.
Holden,	Rev. Thomas E. Babb, William H. Drury.
Holliston,	Rev. Nicholas Van der Pyl, Uriel Cutler.
Holyoke, 2d,	Rev. Edward A. Reed, Edwin L. Kirtland.
Hopkinton,	Charles Morse.
Hyde Park,	Rev. Achilles S. Loder.
Kingston,	Rev. Zenas Crowell.
Lancaster,	Leander Nowell.
Lee,	Rev. Lyman L. Rowland.
Leicester,	Rev. David C. Reid, Chas. A. Denny.
Lenox,	Rev. Edward Day.
Leominster,	Rev. George R. W. Scott.
" North,	Rev. James M. Bell.
Lexington,	Rev. Chas. F. Carter.
Lincoln,	Rev. Edward E. Bradley, Mrs. E. E. Bradley.
Longmeadow, East,	Rev. John A. Hughes, W. F. Emerson.
Lowell, John St.,	Rev. Geo. H. Johnson.
" Highland,	Dea. James G. Buttrick.
Ludlow, Union,	Rev. A. J. Quick.
Lunenberg,	Rev. David Wallace, Chas. G. Bigelow.
Lynn, 1st,	Wilfred Barnes.
" North,	Rev. Willis A. Hadley, Mrs. W. A. Hadley.
Malden,	Rev. Calvin C. Hill.
" Maplewood,	Perkins G. Williams.
Marblehead,	Rev. S. Linton Bell, N. P. Sanborn.
Marion,	Rev. Harry LeRoy Brickett, D. M. Dustan.
Medford, Mystic,	Rev. John Barstow.
" West,	Rev. Judson V. Clancy, Charles E. Gleason.
" Union,	Rev. Isaac Pierson.

Melrose, Highlands,	Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, Fred A. Houdlette.
Merrimac,	Rev. Geo. L. Todd, Mrs. G. L. Todd.
Middleboro, Central,	Rev. Richard G. Woodbridge.
Middleton,	Rev. Warren P. Landers.
Milford,	Rev. Edwin S. Tingley, A. A. Westcott.
Millbury,	Rev. Geo. A. Putnam, Charles H. Searles.
" 2d,	Rev. G. P. Eastman, A. Armsby.
Milton,	Dea. Wm. H. Balkam.
Monson,	Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, E. F. Morris.
New Braintree,	George K. Tufts.
Newburyport, Belleville,	Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock.
" Whitefield,	Rev. Chas. S. Brooks.
Newton Centre,	Rev. Edward McA. Noyes.
" 2d, West,	Rev. Henry J. Patrick.
" Eliot,	Rev. Wm. H. Davis, Henry E. Cobb.
" Auburndale,	Rev. Charles M. Southgate.
" Newtonville,	Rev. John M. Dutton.
North Andover,	Rev. Henry E. Barnes.
Northboro,	Rev. Albert D. Smith.
Northbridge, Whitinsville,	Rev. John R. Thurston.
North Brookfield, 1st,	Rev. John L. Sewell, Mrs. J. E. Porter.
Oxford,	Rev. Albert E. Bradstreet.
Palmer, 2d,	J. B. Shaw.
Pepperell,	Rev. Richard H. Kennedy, Rev. J. E. B. Jewett.
Phillipston,	Dea. G. H. Miller.
Pittsfield, 1st,	Rev. Wm. V. W. Davis, Dea. Harvey W. Partridge.
" South,	Rev. Isaac C. Smart.
Plymouth, Pilgrimage,	Rev. Ernest W. Shurtleff.
" Chiltonville,	Rev. Oscar F. Davis.
Princeton,	J. D. Gregory.
Quincy,	Rev. Edwin N. Hardy.
Randolph,	Rev. Chas. A. Hilton, M. Wales Baker.
Reading,	A. R. Shepardson.
Rehoboth,	Rev. Chas. B. Wathen, F. A. Bliss.
Royalston,	Rev. Francis J. Fairbanks, Frank W. Adams.
Salem Tabernacle,	Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, Jos. H. Towne.
" South,	Rev. James F. Brodie.
Sandisfield, New Boston,	Arthur P. Pratt.
Sandwich,	Rev. Wm. H. Woodwell.
Sherborne,	Mrs. L. Coolidge.
Somerville, Winter Hill,	Rev. Chas. L. Noyes, Thomas A. Wentworth.
Southboro,	Rev. Martin F. Mevis, Mrs. M. F. Mevis.
" Southville,	Lowell Collins.
South Hadley,	Calvin Preston.
Spencer,	Rev. Sherman W. Brown, Chas. N. Prouty.
Springfield, First,	James L. Johnson.
" South,	Rev. Philip S. Moxom, L. M. Peirce.
" North,	Rev. Frank B. Makepeace, Daniel M. Burt.
" Hope,	H. P. Beach.
" Immanuel,	Rev. David L. Kebbe, Henry A. Girvoux.
Sterling,	Rev. Geo. H. Pratt.
Stoneham,	Rev. A. B. Peffers.
Sturbridge,	H. D. Haynes.
Swampscot,	Rev. Geo. A. Jackson, John Albree, Jr.
Taunton, Trinitarian,	Elijah E. Richards.
" Winslow,	Rev. T. Clayton Welles, N. B. Dean.
Templeton,	Rev. Gabriel B. Kambour, A. H. Merriam.
Upton,	Rev. Alexander Wiswall.
Uxbridge,	Rev. Frank L. Bristol.
Walpole,	C. M. Allen.
Ware, East,	Rev. Almon J. Dyer.
Warren, 1st,	Rev. Wm. Byron Forbush, Dea. Warren D. Hosley.
Webster,	Rev. Henry A. Blake.
Wellesley Hills,	Rev. Parris T. Farwell, Albion R. Clapp.
Wenham,	Rev. Arthur N. Ward.
Westboro,	Rev. Merle A. Breed, H. A. Harrington.
Westminster,	Rev. John W. Lees, Edward Damon.

Weymouth, East,	Dea. Chas. B. Cushing.
Whateley,	Rev. Geo. L. Dickinson.
Wilbraham, North,	Rev. C. H. Yates, Mrs. C. H. Yates.
Winchendon, 1st,	Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, Dea. H. S. Allen.
" North,	Rev. Davis Foster, Dea. H. S. Allen.
Winchester,	Dea. Harrison Parker.
Woburn,	J. K. Murdock.
Worcester, 1st,	Rev. Arcturus Z. Conrad, C. F. Read.
" Central,	Rev. Daniel Merriman, Rev. Edward M. Chapman.
" Union,	Rev. John E. Tuttle, Abiel E. Wilson.
" Summer St.,	Rev. Orange C. Bailey, E. L. Smith.
" Plymouth,	Rev. Archibald McCullagh, Jonas White.
" Piedmont,	Rev. Elijah Horr, Walter B. Abbott.
" Swedish, First,	Rev. August L. Anderson.
" Pilgrim,	Rev. Alexander Lewis, Arthur E. Gray.
" Park,	Rev. Inman Willcox, Chas. M. Smith.
" Covenant,	Rev. John E. Hurlbut, Dea. B. F. Scribner.
" Hope,	Rev. Ellsworth W. Phillips, John R. Howe.
" Lakeview,	Rev. John H. Matthews.
" Belmont,	Rev. Wm. Brewster Oleson, Milton J. Doe.
" Bethany,	Rev. Albert G. Todd.
" Armenian,	Rev. H. G. Benneyan.
" Immanuel,	Rev. Geo. S. Dodge.

DELEGATES FROM THE CONFERENCES.

Brookfield,	S. A. Spooner, Ware.
Essex, South,	Samuel L. Sawyer, Danvers.
Mendon,	Rev. Edwin S. Tingley.
Middlesex, South,	Rev. Prescott Fay.
" Union,	Rev. Wm. O. Conrad.
Norfolk,	Dr. J. H. Dearing, Braintree.
Old Colony,	Isaac C. Sherman, New Bedford.
Pilgrim,	Rev. John Wild.
Suffolk, South,	Rev. Wm. H. Bolster.
" West,	A. L. Harwood, Newton Centre.
Woburn,	Chester W. Clark, Wilmington.
Worcester, South,	Appleton F. Williams, West Upton.

DELEGATES FROM ASSOCIATIONS.

Brookfield,	Rev. S. D. Gammell.
Cape Cod,	Rev. Albert Donnell.
Hampshire,	Rev. W. D. Herrick.
Mendon,	Rev. Ephraim O. Jameson.
Middlesex, South,	Rev. Francis N. Peloubet.
" Union,	Rev. Albert B. Peabody.
Old Colony,	Rev. Charles F. Hersey.
Suffolk, North,	Rev. Chas. L. Noyes, Somerville.
" West,	Rev. Chas. H. Daniels, Newton.
Woburn,	Rev. Wm. J. Batt.
Worcester, Central,	Rev. Ariel E. P. Perkins.
" North,	Rev. Gabriel B. Kambour.

MEMBERS, EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Henry A. Hazen, secretary.
Rev. Eugene C. Webster, assistant secretary.
Rev. Francis J. Marsh, registrar.
Rev. James W. Flagg, assistant registrar.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Rev. O. P. Allen, Auburndale, Mass.
Rev. Ezra H. Byington, Newton.
Rev. David M. Didricksen, Worcester.
Rev. James L. Hill, Salem.
Rev. Eldredge Mix, Worcester.
Rev. W. H. Stewart, East Jaffrey, N. H.
Rev. N. H. Whittlesey, New Haven, Conn.

A letter was read from Rev. Albert G. Bale, resigning the office of registrar. On motion of Rev. William J. Batt, of Concord, it was

Voted, That a fitting response to this communication be prepared and sent to Rev. Mr. Bale in recognition of his faithful and efficient service as registrar.

A memorial from the Middlesex Union Association was presented and referred to the committee on nominations.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Dorchester, was chosen assistant secretary *pro tem.*

The following were elected a committee on credentials: —

Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River; Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, of Monson; Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Henry E. Cobb, of Newton.

An address of welcome was given by Rev. Archibald McCullagh, pastor of Plymouth church, with a response by the moderator.

The report of the secretary, Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale, was presented and accepted.[1]

The report of the treasurer, William A. Paine, of Boston, was presented with auditors' certificate, and accepted.[2]

The following recommendation of the auditors was adopted: —

We recommend as the assessment for the year 1897 the sum of three and one half cents for each church member.

The following were elected the committee on nominations: —

Rev. Ephraim O. Jameson, of Boston; Rev. Lyman S. Rowland, of Lee; Charles A. Denny, of Leicester; Dana M. Dustan, of Marion; Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard, of Gloucester.

The report of the committee on temperance was presented by Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River, and accepted.[3]

On motion of Rev. William J. Batt, of Concord, it was

Voted, That this report be referred to a special committee who shall consider and report whether any further action is expedient in accepting it.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield, and the Association took a recess until 7.30 o'clock.

Evening Session.

At the hour appointed, the Association re-assembled. Prayer was offered by Rev. Bartlett H. Weston, of Dunstable.

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The following were elected the committee of arrangements: —

Rev. Archibald McCullagh, of Worcester; G. Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester; Rev. George W. Andrews, of Dalton; James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; E. L. Kirkland, of Holyoke.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. G. R. W. Scott, of Leominster, and Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville. The sermon was preached by Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, of Chelsea, from the text John xiii. 34, 35.

The observance of the Lord's Supper followed, Rev. John Barstow, of Medford, and Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord, officiating.

A statement regarding the needs of the Board of Ministerial Aid was given by Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, of Worcester, and the annual offering was made. This offering amounted to $82.05.

After prayer and benediction by Rev. Henry E. Barnes, of North Andover, the Association took a recess, to meet at nine o'clock Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY.

Morning Session.

At nine o'clock a devotional service was led by Rev. Isaac C. Smart, of Pittsfield. At half past nine o'clock, with the moderator in the chair, the Association was opened with prayer by Rev. Henry J. Patrick, of Newtonville.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Invitations for the next meeting of the Association were presented from the churches of Greenfield, Plymouth, and Brockton. It was

Voted, That the invitation from Greenfield be accepted.

The following officers of the Association were then elected by ballot: —

Secretary, Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale.
Assistant Secretary, Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Dorchester.
Registrar, Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston.
Assistant Registrar, Rev. James W. Flagg, of Foxboro.
Treasurer, William A. Paine, of Boston.
Directors on the Board of Pastoral Supply.— Charles J. Holmes, of Fall River; A. L. Joslin, of Oxford; Rev. Edward A. Reed, of Holyoke; H. N. Ackerman, of West Medford.

The following committees were then chosen: —

On the work of the churches until 1900.— Rev. Joshua Coit, of Winchester; Rev. George W. Winch, of Holyoke; Rev. Harry L. Brickett, of Marion; Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton; Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, of Monson; Thomas Weston, of Newton; William Woodward, of Worcester; E. F. Morris, of Monson.

Auditing committee. — H. N. Ackerman, of West Medford; Thomas Todd, of Concord; Rev. Howard A. Bridgman, of Boston.

Committee on the nomination of nominees for the corporate members of the American Board.— Rev. Elijah Horr, of Newton; Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Newton; Rev. Henry E. Barnes, of North Andover; Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers; George Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester.

Committee on publication.— Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; William A. Paine, of Boston; Rev. Ezra H. Byington, of Newton; Rev. Ellis Mendell, of Jamaica Plain.

Special committee on the report on temperance.— Rev. William J. Batt, of Concord; Arthur E. Gray, of Worcester; J. B. Shaw, of Palmer.

Nominees for membership on the executive committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.— Rev. George H. Johnson, of Lowell; Thomas Todd, of Concord.

The committee on nominations reported upon the memorial from the Middlesex Union Association as follows: —

Your committee to whom was referred the communication from the Middlesex Union Association desire to say that they are satisfied that it requires experience as well as special ability in these offices, and therefore see no sufficient reason for any change in the rules.

This report was accepted and adopted.

The following were elected provisional committee: —

Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, Greenfield; Rev. Charles H. Watson, Greenfield; Levi J. Gunn, Greenfield; F. A. Rugg, Greenfield; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston.

The report of the committee on gambling was presented by Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale.[1]

It was

Voted, That the committee on gambling be continued for another year.

On motion of Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River, it was

Voted, That a committee on temperance be appointed for the ensuing year.

And the committee of this year was continued.

The business committee presented the following resolution, sent up to the Association by the Suffolk South Conference: —

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Whereas, The unwisdom of the present date of the Week of Prayer for our American churches grows more apparent from year to year by reason of the generally unfavorable weather, the peculiar demands of the opening year on men of business, and its late occurrence in the active year of church work; therefore,

Resolved, That the Suffolk South Conference commend to the General Association at its next meeting, action favorable to a change of date from the present observance in January to the week beginning with the first Lord's Day in November, together with the appointment of a committee to present such action at the next National Council, and ask its commendation to our churches.

It was

Voted, That this resolution be referred to a special committee.

A communication was presented from the American Anti-Saloon League respecting the coming convention of the League and asking for a delegate representation from this Association.

It was

Voted, To defer action upon this until a later session.

The report on the Work of the Churches was then presented by Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton.[1] This report was accepted and was followed by addresses: —

(1) "The Relation of the Pulpit to the Spiritual Life of the Church," by Rev. William H. Davis, of Newton.

(2) "The Relation of the Prayer Meeting to the Spiritual Life of the Church," by Rev. William W. Jordan, of Clinton.

(3) "The Relation of the Sunday School and Y. P. S. C. E. to the Spiritual Life of the Church," by Rev. James L. Hill, of Salem.

The report of the Board of Pastoral Supply was presented by Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, and was accepted.[2]

The following were elected the special committee upon the memorial from the Suffolk South Conference: —

Rev. Davis Foster, of Winchendon; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. George H. Flint, of Boston.

On motion of Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale, it was

Voted, That the Committee to make nominations for the corporate membership of the American Board be continued for one year, and make the nominations for next year; also

Voted, That the amendments to the rules of the Association proposed last year by Rev. George E. Lovejoy be adopted.

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After prayer by Rev. Henry E. Barnes, of North Andover, the Association took a recess to meet this afternoon at the close of the meeting of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Afternoon Session.

The Association re-assembled at 4.15 P. M. and was opened with prayer by Rev. Arthur Little, of Dorchester.

Rev. Albert E. Dunning, of Boston, spoke upon the work of the Interdenominational Sunday School Association.

It was

Voted, That the recommendation of the committee of arrangements for delegates to the Anti-Saloon League Convention be adopted, and the following were chosen as delegates: —

Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield; Rev. Frank E. Jenkins, of Palmer; Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River; Augustus R. Smith, of Lee; Samuel A. Pratt, of Worcester.

Alternates. — Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Willis A. Hadley, of Lynn; Rev. David C. Reed, of Leicester, Herman M. Walen, of Gloucester; George E. Copeland, of Worcester.

On motion of Rev. Almon J. Dyer, of Ware, it was

Voted, That the amendment to Article V. of the Rules of the Association, proposed last year by Rev. William W. Jubb, of Fall River, be referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the Chair.

The following were appointed: —

Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. Arthur Little, of Dorchester; Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, of Monson.

The committee on home evangelism presented a communication from Rev. Charles L. Morgan, chairman, saying that, in view of the fact that the field of its survey is so fully covered by the committee on the work of the churches and has been so completely traversed by the report of that committee, it presents to the Association no additional report.

The following resolution presented by Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale, was adopted: —

Resolved, That this General Association, repeating the expression of its confidence in international arbitration as an antidote to the horrors and wickedness of war, deplores the failure of our Senate to ratify the treaty so auspiciously negotiated with England by the late Administration and commended so justly by President McKinley. We assure the friends of humanity in England and in other lands that this action fails to express the real Christian judgment of the American people; that it is

our earnest hope and prayer that this defeat will prove only temporary, and early lead the way to wider and better results in the interests of universal peace; and to this end we pledge our renewed and diligent endeavor.

After prayer by Rev. Ezra H. Byington, of Newton, the Association took a recess until 7.30 this evening.

Evening Session.

The Association re-assembled at 7.30 o'clock.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Davis Foster, of Winchendon.

The general theme of the evening, "The Church in Modern City Life," was opened by Rev. Charles P. Mills, of Newburyport, on the special topic, "The Church and Secular Societies." [1]

President Merrill E. Gates, of Amherst, followed with an address upon "The Church and Spiritual Power." [2]

The committee appointed to report upon the amendment to Article V. of the Rules of the Association, presented last year by Rev. William W. Jubb, of Fall River, reported as follows: —

The committee would recommend that Article V. of the rules of the Association be amended to read as follows: —

The pastor of each evangelical Congregational church in this State, with one delegate from each church, and one delegate to be appointed by each Conference and by each Association in the State, with the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer, shall compose the General Association.

After prayer by Rev. Henry E. Barnes, of North Andover, the Association took a recess, to meet at nine o'clock on Thursday morning.

THURSDAY.

Morning Session.

The Association re-assembled at nine o'clock.

Devotional services were led by Rev. John L. Sewall, of North Brookfield. At half past nine the Association was opened with prayer by Rev. William H. Cobb, of Newton Centre.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following resolution from the Essex South and Salem Association was presented and adopted: —

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed who shall consider the wisdom and expediency of the consolidation of our missionary publications and report at the next meeting of the Association.

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The following were chosen as this committee: —

Rev. Edward C. Ewing, of Danvers; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. E. Ellsworth Strong, of Auburndale; Rev. John E. Tuttle, of Worcester; William F. Whittemore, of Boston.

The following resolution was presented by the business committee and adopted: —

Realizing the importance of child life and recognizing in the Sunday school an opportunity to make our churches a greater power for Christ, we urge the larger use of this department of the work of our churches, and we also recommend that all our churches make special observance of Children's Day.

It was

Voted, To refer back to the committee the resolution upon the proposed amendment to the Rules of the Association.

Rev. Nathan H. Whittlesey, of New Haven, Conn., addressed the Association upon "Ministerial Relief."

The report of the committee upon "Labor Organizations" was presented by James G. Buttrick of Lowell, and was adopted.[1]

The report of the committee on "The Wider Circulation of Religious Literature" was presented by Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield, and was adopted.[2] The following were chosen the committee for the ensuing year: —

Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield; Rev. William E. Barton, of Boston; Rev. Ellis Mendell, of Jamaica Plain.

The report on Sunday Observance was presented by Rev. Ezra H. Byington, of Newton, and was adopted. The following were elected the committee for another year: —

Rev. Ezra H. Byington, of Newton; Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed, of Springfield; Rev. Albert H. Plumb, of Boston; Henry M. Moore, of Somerville; Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline.

Addresses were then given by Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Centre, upon "The Divine Authority for the Observance of Lord's Day"[3]; by Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline, upon "What can Pastors, Churches, and Sunday Schools do to promote the Observance of the Lord's Day"[4]; by Rev. Martin D. Kneeland, of Boston, upon "The Work of the Sunday Protective League."

The following resolution was presented by Rev. William E. Barton, of Boston, and was adopted: —

Resolved, That the committee upon Sunday observance be instructed to prepare for publication a Nineteenth Century Christianized Exposition

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of the principles which underlie the duty of the observance of the Lord's Day and of the conduct which best accords with such principles.

On motion of Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, of Monson, it was

Voted, That action upon the proposed amendment to Rule V. of the constitution be indefinitely postponed.

The following resolution was presented by Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield, and was adopted: —

The General Association of Congregational Churches at its ninety-fifth annual meeting desires to place on record its high appreciation of the patience, fortitude, and wisdom of the missionaries of the American Board laboring in Armenia and China, as displayed by their efficient labors in the midst of civil and religious disturbances. We also recognize with deep sympathy the trials which have come to our brethren in the Marathi mission, India, because of famine and pestilence.

The special committee on the report of the temperance committee presented the following report which was adopted: —

In accepting the report of its committee on temperance this Association wishes to call particular attention to so much of the same as relates to the action of the committee concerning the matter of temperance instruction in the public schools.

We commend their action in procuring the judgment of a committee of medical experts upon the "Endorsed Text Books," and rejoice with them that that judgment affirms the substantial accuracy of the same. We again urge upon the pastors and members of our churches an active interest in the promotion of such instruction in the schools of their respective communities, according to the laws of the Commonwealth.

We also commend to their study the recent report of the Bureau of Statistics on the "Relation of the Liquor Traffic to Pauperism, Crime, and Insanity."

The following resolution was presented by Rev. William E. Barton, of Boston, and was adopted: —

Resolved, That the Association notes with interest the aid which the Board of Pastoral Supply has rendered to the churches, large and small, throughout the Commonwealth. The thirty-nine settlements in which it has taken the initiative and the fifty-six in which it has assisted, in the last few months, seems to us an admirable showing, and we are gratified also with the apparent contribution of this Board toward the permanence of the pastoral relation. We note also the appreciation of the churches as manifested by the increase of nearly three hundred dollars in contributions during the year past. We gladly renew our commendation of the Board, and urgently request an annual contribution from each church in Massachusetts; requesting also that churches in arrears promptly contribute to this efficient auxiliary to our denominational work. Eight conferences have undertaken the collection, through their treasurers, of

the proportion of the churches within their bounds. This systematic method seems to us an eminently wise one, and we recommend it to all the conferences in the State.

Rev. Almon J. Dyer, of Ware, proposed the following amendment to the Rules of the Association: —

Resolved, That Rule V. of the Constitution be so amended as to read, —

The pastor or pastors, and a delegate from each evangelical Congregational church in the State, with the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer, shall compose the General Association.

Delegates from corresponding bodies, members of the Associations of the State who are residents of the State, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports, shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit.

Honorary members shall have all the rights and privileges of the Association, except the right to make motions and to vote.

Rev. M. A. Breed, of Westboro, proposed the following: —

Motion to amend Section 1 of Article XV. of the Rules of the Association.

Resolved, That Section 1 of Article XV. of the Rules of the Association be so amended as to read as follows: "The reports of the committees on Temperance, Gambling, Work of the Churches, Home Evangelization, Religious Literature, Sunday Observance, and Labor Organizations shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the regular meeting. They shall not be read at the meeting, but one hour of the session may be devoted to the discussion of these topics."

On motion of Rev. Warren P. Landers, of Middleton, it was

Voted, That the proposed amendment be referred to a committee of five to report next year.

The following were chosen that committee: —

Rev. Warren P. Landers, of Middleton; Rev. Charles H. Beale, of Boston; Rev. Merle A. Breed, of Westboro; Rev. William E. Barton, of Boston; Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, of Chelsea.

After prayer by Rev. Charles S. Brooks, of Hyde Park, the Association took a recess until 2.30 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

The Association reassembled at 2.30 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline.

On recommendation of the business committee Rev. Mr. Colton spoke upon the work of the American Bible Society.

The following resolution was adopted: —

This Association endorses the work of the New England Sabbath Protective League and commends it heartily to the churches.

The following resolutions were also adopted: —

This Association would return its hearty thanks to Plymouth church and its pastor for the Christian hospitality we have enjoyed at this meeting; also to the members of the other churches for the courtesies they have extended to us. We also express grateful appreciation of the considerate attention of the Press in the excellent reports of our proceedings they have furnished.

The following were chosen as nominees for corporate membership of the American Board: —

Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline; Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield; Rev. Harlan P. Beach, of Springfield; Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, of Monson; A. H. Wellman, of Malden; John C. Berry, M. D., of Worcester; James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Edward Whitin, of Whitinsville.

The committee on credentials reported as follows: —

Whole number of delegates present, clergymen	163
Laymen	110
Conferences represented by ministers	4
Laymen	7
Associations represented	12
Honorary Members	4

The following were elected the committee on "Labor Organizations": —

James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, of Chelsea; Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline; Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock, of Newburyport; Rev. William H. Allbright, of Dorchester; Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Jesse H. Jones, of North Abington; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; John H. Colby, of Boston.

The special committee on the memorial from Suffolk South Conference presented the following report which was accepted: —

The committee appointed to consider a change in the time of the Week of Prayer beg leave to report as follows: —

The Association was somewhat unfortunate in appointing on the committee two venerable old fogies to consider this subject. The whale of modern criticism in regard to old things has never come up into Worcester County for Jonahs to swallow. We are now so tough that we are comparatively safe.

We remember the origin and limiting signification of this Week of Prayer. Some forty-five years ago one of our Presbyterian missions in India proposed a week of prayer for the conversion of the world. The proposal met with wide acceptance from the first and soon commanded

general consent among the Evangelical churches of the world. We cannot change this general consent. This week of prayer will be observed in the Christian world among all denominations. If the Congregationalists of Massachusetts should vote to change the time the great majority of Congregational churches would not go with us. Would it be wise to break away from the union of the churches?

If any of our churches wish to observe a week of prayer at the beginning of the year's work in October or November, they are at perfect liberty to do this, as any church can hold such services as they choose during Passion Week.

Your committee cannot think it wise to recommend the change proposed. We should separate ourselves from the great majority of our brethren of other denominations. We should break the continuity of the brotherhood. We should destroy associations which connect us so pleasantly with our brethren in the mission work. Massachusetts Congregational churches number less than six hundred among the more than five thousand Congregational churches. We do not wish to stand alone. We cannot carry our own churches with us in this proposed change.

Would it not be wise to hold on to the historic continuity of the present arrangement with so many blessed memories, leaving to the churches the privilege, now in possession, to observe other times and seasons of prayer according as such may seem desirable?

There are some objections to the present arrangement in our northern climate. But in meeting one we might start others equally formidable.

The last days of the old year and the first days of the new year are days of unusual thoughtfulness among the great majority in our congregations. Are we ready to lose much in order to try a new experiment which separates us from our brethren?

We are to labor and pray for the salvation of the *whole world* and not simply of our own people, and this week as now observed alone brings us into fellowship with all Christians in this object.

An address was given by Rev. Albert H. Plumb, of Boston, on "Pentecostal Power in the Church of To-day."

Prayer was offered and the hymn, "Blest be the Tie that Binds," was sung, and after the benediction by Rev. Albert H. Plumb, of Boston, the Association adjourned.

THOMAS TODD, *Moderator.*
FRANCIS J. MARSH, *Registrar.*
JAMES W. FLAGG, *Assistant Registrar.*

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

EXPLANATIONS.

The tables which follow comprise: —

1. The list of Conferences, with the times of meeting and names of officers.

2. The statistics of pastoral supply, membership, additions, removals, baptisms, Sabbath schools, and families; of the Young People's Societies; those of charities and expenses. The tables, in accordance with the vote of the Association, in 1887, are made to conform to those in the YEAR-BOOK.

3. The statistics of ministers, lists of ordinations, installations, dismissals, and deaths.

The tables of the second part contain the names of all the Congregational churches in Massachusetts, the towns and cities being arranged alphabetically; churches in each town according to age.

The column specifying ministers is corrected up to the time of printing. Church members and families are reported as numbered on the morning of Jan. 1, 1897. Admissions, removals, and baptisms cover the year 1896. "Absent" are not additional to "males," "females," and "total," but included in them. "Sunday school" includes total membership of teachers and scholars, Jan. 1, 1897, or when the school is in operation (if not at that date), covering "branch schools," and "mission schools," so far as maintained by the reporting church.

The months and days in the dates of the organization of churches are omitted. They will be found in the publication of 1873, those of churches since organized being given in the list of new churches each year. Also the months and days in the dates of ordination and installation of ministers are omitted. The former may be found in the report of the Association.

"Ordained" denotes the date on which the person was originally set apart to the ministry by the "laying-on of hands." "Installed" denotes the date of his *present* pastorate.

In accordance with the recommendation of the National Council, pastors installed or recognized by council are marked "*p. c.*"; pastors duly called by their churches and recognized by some "definite act of the church," but not by council, are marked "*p.*"; others in service are not marked, but in tabular summaries are counted as "supplies."

Blanks in any column of figures are never equivalent to "none," but mean "no report"; but blanks in the column of *ministers* do mean that the church has no pastor or acting pastor, and the blank is left for the convenience of those who note changes.

☞ All *post-office addresses* are to be found in the "List of Ministers," and NOT IN THE TABLES.

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THE CONFERENCES OF THE CHURCHES.

1. ANDOVER. — Organized June 8, 1859.

CHURCHES. — In Andover: South; West; Free; Union, Ballardvale; Theological Seminary. In Chelmsford: 2d at North; Central. In Dracut: 1st; Central. In Lawrence: Lawrence Street; Trinity; South; United; Riverside. In Lowell: Pawtucket; 1st; Eliot; John Street; Kirk Street; High Street; *French*; Highland; *Swedish*. Methuen. North Andover. Tewksbury. Tyngsboro. Total: 27 churches.

Albert W. Burnham, Lowell, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. Edward W. Pride, Andover, *statistical secretary, and committee on the work of the churches*. Conference meets on the last Tuesday in April and the second Tuesday in October.

2. BARNSTABLE CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 28, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Barnstable: West; Centreville; Hyannis. Chatham. In Dennis: South; Union. In Falmouth: 1st; East; North; Waquoit; Woods Holl. Harwich; Harwich Port. Nantucket. Orleans. Provincetown. Sandwich. In Truro: 1st; North. In Wellfleet: 1st; South. In Yarmouth: 1st; West. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. William C. Detling, Centerville, *scribe, treasurer, and chairman committee on the work of the churches*. Conference meets on second Tuesday in June and the second Tuesday in December.

3. BERKSHIRE NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 3, 1867.

CHURCHES. — Adams. Becket North. Dalton. Hinsdale. Lanesboro. Middlefield. North Adams. Peru. In Pittsfield: 1st; 2d; South. Richmond. In Williamstown: 1st; College; South; White Oaks. Windsor. (New Lebanon, N. Y.) Total: 17 churches.

Deacon George French, North Adams, *secretary and treasurer*. Rev. Alford B. Penniman, Adams, *committee on the work of the churches*. Annual meeting, second Wednesday in November; semi-annual, second Wednesday in May.

4. BERKSHIRE SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Aug. 29, 1860.

CHURCHES. — Becket Centre. Egremont South. In Great Barrington: 1st; Housatonic. Lee. Lenox. Monterey. Mount Washington. In New Marlboro: 1st; Southfield; Mill River. Otis. In Sandisfield: 1st; New Boston. Sheffield. In Stockbridge: 1st; Curtisville. In West Stockbridge: Village; Centre. Total: 19 churches.

Bennett T. Gale, Lee, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. Walter W. Curtis, West Stockbridge, *committee on the work of the churches*. Annual meeting in November.

5. BROOKFIELD CONFERENCE. — Organized June 13, 1821.

CHURCHES. — Barre. Brimfield. Brookfield. Charlton. Dana. Dudley. In Hardwick: 1st; Gilbertville. Holland. New Braintree. In North Brookfield: 1st; Union. Oakham. Southbridge. Spencer. Sturbridge. In Ware: 1st; East; *French*. In Warren: 1st; West. West Brookfield. Total: 22 churches.

Rev. Edward B. Blanchard, Brookfield, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. Benson M.

Frink, W. Brookfield, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings: annual, first Tuesday in May, 2 days; semi-annual, third Tuesday in September, 1 day.

6. ESSEX NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized April 30, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Amesbury: 1st; Union. Boxford, West. In Bradford: 1st; Ward Hill. Georgetown: 1st; Memorial. Groveland. In Haverhill: West; 4th; Centre; North; Riverside; Union; St. Johns, *French.* In Ipswich: 1st; Linebrook. Merrimac. In Newbury: 1st; Byfield. In Newburyport: North; Prospect Street; Belleville; Whitefield. Rowley. In West Newbury: 1st; 2d. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. David C. Torrey, Byfield, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. John N. Lowell, Haverhill, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

7. ESSEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Beverly: North; Dane Street; Washington Street. Boxford. In Danvers: 1st; Maple Street. Essex. In Gloucester: West; Trinity; Lanesville; Magnolia. Hamilton. Ipswich South. In Lynn: 1st; Central; Chestnut Street; North; *Swedish.* In Lynnfield: Centre; 2d. Manchester. Marblehead. Middleton. In Peabody: South; Rockville; West. In Rockport: 1st; Pigeon Cove; *Swedish.* In Salem: Tabernacle; South; Crombie Street. Saugus: 1st, and Cliftondale. Swampscott. Topsfield. Wenham. Total: 37 churches.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Rev. E. C. Ewing, Danvers, *statistical scribe.* Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

8. FRANKLIN CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 10, 1843.

CHURCHES. — Ashfield. Bernardston. Buckland. In Charlemont: 1st; East. Coleraine. Conway. In Deerfield: South; Orthodox. Erving. Gill. In Greenfield: 1st; 2d. In Hawley: East; West. In Montague: 1st; Miller's Falls; Turner's Falls. Northfield. Orange: Central; *Swedish.* In Shelburne: 1st; Falls. Shutesbury. Sunderland. Warwick. Wendell Centre. Whately. Total: 28 churches.

Rev. Edward P. Butler, Sunderland, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets second Wednesday and Thursday in September.

9. HAMPDEN CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 4, 1850.

CHURCHES. — In Agawam: Feeding Hills; 2d. Blandford: 1st; 2d. In Chester: 1st; 2d. In Chicopee: 1st; 2d; 3d. In Granville: East; West. Hampden. In Holyoke: 1st; 2d; *French.* Huntington, 2d. In Longmeadow: 1st; East. In Ludlow: 1st; Mills. Monson. In Palmer: 1st; 2d; Three Rivers. South Hadley Falls. Southwick. In Springfield: 1st; Olivet; South; North; Indian Orchard; Sandford st.; Hope; *French;* Eastern Avenue; Emmanuel; Park; *Swedish.* Faith. Tolland. In Westfield: 1st; 2d. In West Springfield: 1st; Mittineague; Park st. In Wilbraham: Centre; North. Total, 47 churches.

Rev. Henry C. Meserve, Springfield, *scribe.* Frank P. Searle, Westfield, *treasurer.* Conference meets last Tuesday in October; semi-annual meeting in April.

10. HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE. — Organized February, 1865.

CHURCHES. — Chesterfield. In Cummington: East; West. In Easthampton: 1st; Payson. Goshen. Hatfield. Huntington 1st. In Northampton: 1st;

Edwards; Florence. Plainfield. Southampton. Westhampton. In Williamsburg: 1st; Haydenville. Worthington. Total: 17 churches.

W. M. Purrington, Haydenville, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. A. C. Townsend, Westhampton, *statistical secretary.* Rev. R. M. Woods, Hatfield, *chairman of committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets in the spring and fall at the call of the Executive Committee.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 13, 1860.

CHURCHES. — In Amherst: 1st; 2d; College; North; South. Belchertown. Enfield. Granby. Greenwich. In Hadley: 1st; 2d. Leverett: 1st; Moores Corner. In Pelham: 1st; Packardville. Prescott. South Hadley 1st. Total: 17 churches.

Dea. M. B. Kingman, Amherst, *registrar and treasurer.* Rev. George E. Fisher, North Amherst, *committee on the work of the churches.* Semi-annual meeting, last Tuesday in April; annual, third Tuesday in October.

12. MENDON CONFERENCE. — Organized April 12, 1858.

CHURCHES. — Foxboro. In Franklin: 1st; South. Mansfield. Medfield. In Medway: Village; West; 3d. Milford. Millis. Norfolk. Walpole. Wrentham. Total: 13 churches.

Rev. , *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Rufus K. Harlow, Medway, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets third Wednesday of April and October.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Aug 20, 1828.

CHURCHES. — Ashland. Dover. In Framingham: Plymouth; Saxonville; South. Holliston. Hopkinton. Hudson. Lincoln. In Marlboro: 1st; *French.* Maynard. In Natick: 1st; South. Northboro. Sherborn. In Southboro: Pilgrim; Southville. Sudbury. Wayland. Wellesley. Total: 21 churches.

Rev. George A. Brock, Saxonville, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings, third Tuesdays of April and October.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1853.

CHURCHES. — Acton: 1st; South. Ashby. Ayer. Boxboro. Concord. Dunstable. In Fitchburg: Calvinist; Rollstone; *German; Swedish.* Groton: 1st; West. Harvard. Lancaster. In Leominster: Centre; North. Littleton. Lunenburg. Pepperell. Shirley Village. Townsend. Westford. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Joel D. Miller, Leominster, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. George A. Tewksbury, Concord, *committee on the work of the churches.* Annual meeting, third Wednesday in October. Spring meeting in April.

15. NORFOLK CONFERENCE. — Organized June 14, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Abington: 1st; North. In Braintree: 1st; South. In Bridgewater: Central Square; Scotland. In Brockton: 1st; Campello; Porter Evan.; *Swedish*; Waldo. In Cohasset: Evangelical; Beechwood. East Bridgewater. In Easton: 1st; *Swedish.* In Hingham: 1st; Nantasket. Holbrook. In Milton: 1st; 2d. In Quincy: Evangelical; Washington st., *Swedish.* Randolph. Rockland. Sharon. Stoughton. In Weymouth: 1st; 2d, South; Landing; Union, South; North; East. Whitman. Total: 35 churches.

Rev. Warren F. Low, Holbrook, *scribe.* Mrs. Mary S. Vining, Hingham *treasurer.* Rev. R. R. Kendall, Weymouth Heights, *statistical secretary and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings first Tuesday in May and last Tuesday in September.

16. OLD COLONY CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept. 23, 1856.

CHURCHES. — Dartmouth South. Edgartown. Fairhaven. Lakeville. Marion. Mattapoisett. In Middleboro: 1st; Central. In New Bedford: 1st; North; Trinitarian. In Rochester: 1st; North; East. Wareham. Westport. West Tisbury. Total: 17 churches.

Rev. William Carruthers, 89 Suffolk st., Holyoke, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets for a two-days' session the third Tuesday in April and the last Tuesday in October.

17. PILGRIM CONFERENCE. — Organized April 27, 1830.

CHURCHES. — Carver North. Duxbury. Halifax. In Hanover: 1st: 2d. Hanson. Kingston. In Marshfield: 1st; 2d. In Plymouth: Manomet; Pilgrimage; Chiltonville. Plympton. Scituate. Total: 14 churches.

Rev. John Wild, Hanover, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Oscar F. Davis, Chiltonville, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets in April and October, for two-days' session each.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — Arlington. In Boston: 1st and Winthrop, Charlestown; Maverick, East Boston; Mt. Vernon and Seamen's. In Cambridge: 1st; 1st Cambridgeport; North Avenue; Pilgrim, Wood Memorial, and Hope, Cambridgeport. In Chelsea: 1st; Central; 3d. In Everett: 1st; Courtland st.; Mystic Side. In Revere: 1st; Beachmont. In Somerville: 1st; East; Broadway; West; Prospect Hill; Winter Hill; Highlands. Winthrop. Total: 27 churches.

Frank E. Hodgkins, 162 Congress Street, Boston, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Albert Watson, 214 Hancock Street, Everett, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the second Wednesdays of April and October.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — In Boston: Dorchester, 2d; Union; Phillips, South Boston; Dorchester Village; Eliot, Roxbury; West Roxbury; Central and Boylston, Jamaica Plain; Immanuel, Roxbury; Trinity, Neponset; Pilgrim, Dorchester; Highland and Walnut Avenue, Roxbury; Olivet; Harvard and Central, Dorchester; Roslindale; Garrison Memorial. Canton. In Dedham: 1st; Islington. In Hyde Park: 1st; Clarendon. Norwood. In Quincy: Atlantic; Wollaston Heights. East Walpole. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. Wm. H. Allbright, Dorchester, *scribe.* E. S. Hathaway, Hyde Park, *treasurer.* Rev. Wm. H. Bolster, Dorchester, *statistical secretary and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

20. SUFFOLK WEST CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 17, 1873.

CHURCHES. — In Belmont: Waverly. In Boston: Old South; Park st.; Berkeley Temple; Brighton; Central; Shawmut; Allston; *Norwegian* and *Swedish.* Brookline: Harvard; Leyden. Needham. In Newton: 1st, Newton Centre; 2d, West Newton; Eliot; Auburndale; Nonantum; Central, Newtonville; Highlands. Waltham: 1st; *Swedish.* Watertown. Wellesley Hills. Weston. Total: 25 churches.

Rev. John M. Dutton, Newtonville, *recording secretary.* Benjamin F. Dewing, 35 Hawley Street, Boston, *treasurer.* Rev. Charles E. Havens, Newton Highlands, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings, second Wednesdays of April and October.

21. TAUNTON CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 2, 1849.

CHURCHES. — Attleboro. Berkley. Dighton. In Fall River: 1st; Central; 3d; *French;* Broadway. Assonet in Freetown. Lakeville. Middleboro North. North Attleboro: 1st; Falls; Trinity. Norton. In Raynham: 1st; North. Rehoboth. Somerset. In Taunton: West; Trinitarian; Winslow; East; Union. Total: 24 churches.

Rev. Elwin L. House, Attleboro, *scribe, and committee on the work of the churches.* Thomas Chew, Box 460, Fall River, *treasurer.* Conference holds two sessions annually of one day each, in the spring and fall.

22. WOBURN CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept. 5, 1848.

CHURCHES. — Bedford. Billerica. Burlington. Carlisle. Hancock, Lexington. In Malden: 1st; Maplewood; Linden. In Medford: Mystic; West and South. In Melrose: 1st; Highlands. North Reading. Reading. Stoneham. Wakefield. Wilmington. Winchester In Woburn: 1st; North; *Scandinavian;* Montvale. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Isaac Pierson, Medford, *scribe and treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the last Tuesdays of April and October.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL CONFERENCE. — Organized April 28, 1852.

CHURCHES. — Auburn. Berlin. Boylston. Clinton. Holden. Leicester. Oxford. Paxton. Princeton. Rutland. Shrewsbury. Sterling. West Boylston. In Worcester: Old South; Central; Union; Summer st.; Plymouth; Piedmont; *Swedish;* Pilgrim; Park; Covenant; Hope; Lake View; Belmont; Bethany; *Armenian;* Immanuel; *Swedish, 2d.* Total: 30 churches.

Rev. Geo. S. Dodge, Worcester, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Thomas E. Babb, Holden, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets on the Tuesday following the second Monday in May, and on the Tuesday following third Monday in October.

24. WORCESTER NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 24, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Ashburnham: 1st; North. Athol. Baldwinville. Gardner. Hubbardston. New Salem. In Orange: North. Petersham. Phillipston. In Royalton: 1st; South. Templeton. Westminster. In Winchendon: 1st; North. Total: 16 churches.

Rev. Davis Foster, Winchendon, *scribe.* Meetings in October and June.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized June 17, 1828.

CHURCHES. — Blackstone: 1st; Millville. In Douglas: 1st; East. In Grafton: 1st; Saundersville. In Millbury: 1st; 2d. In Northbridge: 1st; Whitinsville; Rockdale. Sutton. Upton. Uxbridge. Webster. Westboro'. Total: 16 churches.

Rev. John R. Thurston, Whitinsville, *scribe and chairman of the committee on the work of the churches.* Dea. Amos Armsby, Millbury, *treasurer.* Meetings on fourth Wednesdays of April and October.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Dl.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Abington,	1712	Forrest D. Hunt,*a*	Wilson S. Fritch, *p. c.*	'93	'95	52	110	162	29	3	3	6	7	2	0	9		1
" North,	1839	Dea. Cyrus Orcutt,				29	64	93	23	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Acton,	1832	Horace F. Tuttle,	Bernard Copping, *p. c.*	'78	'94	30	58	88	19	0			2	1	0	3	0	0
" South,	1893	Edgar I. Banks,	Wilson R. Buxton, *p. c.*	'94	'94	18	41	59	7	3	10	13		4	0	5	3	3
Adams,	1840	Dea. Edw. W. Streeter,	Alford B. Penniman, *p. c.*	'83	'94	131	257	388	16	9	5	14	2	5	0	7	3	5
Agawam, Feeding Hills,	1762	Miss Julia A. Bailey,	Frank L. Garfield, *p. c.*	'93	'92	16	41	57	12	0				0	0		0	0
"	1819	Mrs. C. L. Hayward,	Walter Rice, *p. c.*	'65	'92	88	102	190	57	12	2	14	4	0	0	4	9	0
Amesbury, Main st.,	1831	Joseph Batchelder,	George L. Richmond, *p. c.*	'83	'89	103	97	300	32	5	9	14	4	6	0	10	3	0
" Union,	1835	Miss Lois L. Fifield,	George W. Christie, *p.*	'73	'91	20	80	100	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amherst, 1st,	1739	J. A. Rawson,				126	319	445	72	8	17	25	7	17	0	24	3	4
" 2d,	1782	Herbert Sabin,	Charles L. Woodworth, *p.*	'49	'93	49	16	165	20	6	3	9	3	1	0	4	6	1
" College,	1826	W. I. Fletcher,				223	59	282	150	5	9	14	0	7	0	7	0	0
" North,	1826	Miss M. E. Harrington,	Eber W. Gaylord, *p c.*	'73	'90	84	159	243	30	0	0	0	4	6	0	10	0	2
" South,	1858	Mrs. W. B. Rose,	John F. Gleason, *p.*	'73	'95	63	96	159	20	7	5	12	4	6	1	11	6	0
Andover, South,	1711	Myron E. Gutterson,	Frank R. Shipman, *p. c.*	'93	'93	86	232	318	42	7	21	28	4	7	0	11		7
" West,	1826	Arthur T. Boutwell,	Rob't A. MacFadden, *p. c.*	'96	'96	85	58	243	44	1	2	3	6	1	0	7	0	0
" Free,	1846	Herbert Goff,	Frederic A. Wilson, *p. c.*	'32	'89	101	262	363	88	20	12	32	6	10	0	16	4	10
" Ballardvale,	1854	William Shaw,	Arthur L. Golder, *p.*	'91	'96	27	69	96	24	6	0	6	3	4	0	7	0	0
" Seminary,	1865	Prof. E. C. Smyth,	The Professors,			92	109	201	38	7	3	10	2	9	0	11	0	0
Arlington,	1842	Henry H. Austin,	Samuel C. Bushnell, *p. c.*	'79	'90	76	69	245	31	2	1	3	4	1	0	5	2	7
Ashburnham, 1st,	1760	Fred. D. Lane,	Nathan T. Dyer, *p.*	'78	'97	35	80	115	26	3	3	6	4	10	4	18	3	1
" North,	1843	Stephen Ward,				3		4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	0
Ashby,	1776	Horace S. Brooks,				72	115	87	41	10	0	10	1	5	0	6	9	1
Ashfield,	1763	H. S. Ranney,	George H. Bailey, *p.*	'67	'93	65	117	182	14	2	6	8	4	3	0	7	2	5
Ashland,	1835	Dea. Edwin Perry,	Charles L. Tomblen, *p.*	'77	'92	32	71	103	24	2	3	5	4	3	0	7	0	6
Athol,	1830	C. K. Wood, A. Centre,	Rolla S. Bugbee, *p.*	'76	'97	77	226	303	31	7	4	11	9	1	0	10	7	0
Attleboro',	1748	Benjamin P. King,	Elwin L. House, *p. c.*	'88	'93	130	344	474	23	56	12	68	8	9	0	17	32	2
Auburn,	1776	William F. Stone,	Charles M. Pierce, *p.*	'63	'90	44	78	122	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ayer,	1861	Miss Clara E. Blood,	Horace F. Hallett, *p.*	'91	'94	24	69	93	22	3	5	8	1	3	0	4		1
Baldwinville,	1874	Mrs. M. B. Raymond,	John W. Hird, *p. c.*	'79	'89	42	73	15	15	3	6	9	4	0	6	10	2	0
Barnstable, West,	1616		[Edgar B. French, *Lic.*]		'97	19	42	61	11	0	2	2	4		0	5	0	3
" Centreville,	1840	Dea. Jacob Lovell,	William C. Detling, *p.*	'97	'97	10	34	44	7		2	3	5	2	2	9		0
" Hyannis,	1854	Warren A. Perry,	Henry S. Kimball, *p.*	'66	'92	8	24	32	4	8	2	10	2	0	0	2	8	0
Barre,	1827	C. S. Root, Barre Plains,	Joseph F. Gaylord, *p. c.*	'67	'79	44	114	158	29	3	6	9	2	3	6		3	0
Becket, Centre,	1758	Mrs. Lucy O. Ellsworth,*b*	[Charles O. Eames, *Lic.*]		'97	3		14	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
" North,	1849	Dea. Jarvis Norcutt,	[Charles O. Eames, *Lic.*]		'97	35	53	88	37	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0
Bedford,	1730	Rev. Edwin Smith,	Edwin Smith, *p.*	'65	'86	64	131	195	41	3	0	3	6		0	7	2	3
Belchertown,	1737	Charles B. Southick,	[George J. Newton, *Lic.*]		'96	74	154	228	67	4	8	12	5	2	0	7	2	0

a Whitman. *b* Bancroft. Acushnet, *see* New Bedford. Assonet, *see* Freetown. Atlantic, *see* Quincy.
Attleboro Falls, *see* N. Attleboro. Auburndale, *see* Newton. Ballardvale, *see* Andover. Beechwood, *see* Cohasset.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.	Legacies.	Home Exp.
Abington,	W. S. O'Brien,	h197	118	150	46	$88	$10	$11	$39	$24	$18	$ 0	$110	$ 300	$ 0	$1,580
" North,	William C. Brett,	121	65	80	67	2	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	12	0	1,250
Acton,	Horace F. Tuttle,	63	63	125	43	33	7	25	36	28	21	7	69	226	500	1,200
" South,	William F. Hale,	85	57	65	52	19	0	0	10	0	6	0	10	45	0	1,125
Adams,	William B. Plunkett,	654	395	300	60	160	64	20	200	17	15	0	300	776	0	6,702
Agawam,	Charles Brown,	63	32	54	35	45	16	10	20	12	24	0	1	128	5,000	600
"	W. H. Porter	148	56	100	90	77	70	0	57	40	40	4	45	333	0	1,250
Amesbury,	Dea. C. H. Tucker,	250	148	325	87	725	55	11	72	81	5	0	148	1,097	0	4,881
"	Mrs. J. Philip Bartlett,	150	75	130	81	134	10	9	27	70	0	5	328	583	0	1,609
Amherst, 1st,	Charles L. Nims,	228	165	250	115	467	36	40	487	63	43	0	710	1,846	0	3,955
" 2d,	Charles H. Hooker,	167	70	100	74	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	93	0	
" College,				30		1,075	23	0	213	164	0	25	334	1,834	0	246
" North,	Charles H. Kellogg,	200	121	120	115	235	38	17	177	111	23	7	69	677	0	1,555
" South,	George O. Hannum,	125	75	85	57	159	7	9	87	32	0	0	29	323	0	1,245
Andover, South,	Charles H. Gilbert,	311	198	238	88	426	71	56	431	329	27	0	700	2,040	0	8,500
" West,	Arthur T. Boutwell,	90	70	90	37	107	0	80	0	86	0	0	161	434	0	1,600
" Free,	J. Newton Cole,	302	192	202	80	86	28	29	133	87	29	0	216	608	0	2,701
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw,	120	85	65	84	185	12	23	65	115	5	0	125	530	0	950
" Seminary,	Matthew S. McCurdy,	66	50	71	0	838	194	0	640	207	25	0	50	1,954	0	522
Arlington,	William A. Muller,	275	166	250	90	283	80	45	286	114	78	29	113	1,028	0	4,531
Ashburnh'm, 1st,	Rev. J. S. Cogswell,	85	69	150	56	36	0	10	25	0	0	0	0	71	0	1,500
" North,		40	18	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Ashby,	Fred E. Brooks,	112	76	72	45	6	16	0	14	10	4	0	124	174	0	2,734
Ashfield,	J. M. Sears,	150	75	125	45	103	15	0	96	33	12	10	163	432	0	1,400
Ashland,	Dea. William H. Hovenden,	109	59	125	49	18	14	14	40	20	0	0	25	131	0	1,225
Athol,	Dea. O. M. Lawton, A Centre	300	186	232	130	207	10	34	197	104	0	0	50	602	500	2,490
Attleboro',	Martin L. Chapman,	545	335	400	100	596	111	70	793	77	72	21	600	2,340	0	4,149
Auburn,	Miss Julia F. Bancroft,	130	74	86	47	70	0	0	15	0	5	0	9	99	0	1,680
Ayer,	Augustus Lovejoy,	m112	47	64	33	48	3	3	25	5	2	1	1	88	0	1,360
Baldwinville,	Horace H. Hall,	157	90	115	92	0	0	15	41	104	8	0	0	168	1,000	1,225
Barnstable, W.,	Dea. Philip H. Robinson,	m105	51	141	17	5	0	10	5	10	0	0	17	47	0	562
" Centreville,	Mrs. Dillah Whitford,	65	42	40	37	15	0	0	115	0	3	0	9	142	0	535
" Hyannis,	E. E. Field,	80	40	85	65	14	2	2	19	5	2	0	47	91	0	425
Barre,	James B. Colby	108	65	100	49	250	68	46	278	125	11	124	119	1,021	0	1,600
Becket, Centre,	Francis Alderman, Becket,	30	20	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	215
" North,	Henry A. Jennings,	102	67	42	0	41	0	0	9	0	0	0	22	72	0	725
Bedford,	Wallace G. Webber,	226	130	155	44	136	0	4	67	34	25	0	243	509	0	1,800
Belchertown,	Walter R. Blackmer,	205	133	150	115	106	0	0	39	30	0	0	37	212	0	1,379

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Belmont, **Waverly,**	1865	Robert C. Claus,	George P. Gilman, *p.*	'72	'83	21	40	61	15	1	6	7			0	2	0	5
Berkley,	1737	Dea. Rollin H. Babbitt,	Franklin K. Beem, *p. c.*	'95	'94	28	58	86	15	5	3	8	2	0	0	2	3	1
Berlin,	1779	William S. Eager,	Henry F. Markham, *p.*	'80	'94	29	61	90	26	0	2	2		0	0	1	0	2
Bernardston,	1824	Dea. Henry Slate,	David H. Strong, *p.*	'85	'88	26	45	71	9	0	3	3	1	2	0	3	0	1
Beverly, North,	1715	Charles S. Brown,	[Raymond L. Seamans, *Me.*]	'96	'96	21	38	59	9	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	4	1
" Dane st.,	1802	Louis H. Baker,	Francis J. Van Horn, *p. c.*	'93	'95	133	291	424	31	32	5	37	9	3		13	20	8
" Washington st.,	1837	William A. Lefavour,	William A. Bacon *p.c.*	'95	'95	66	172	238	48	11	1	12	5	7	0	12	8	2
Billerica,	1829	Rev. Daniel W. Hardy,	Daniel W. Hardy, *p.*	'74	'93	28	55	83	15		2	3	4	1	0	5		3
Blackstone,	1841	Calvin H. Lee,	Frank G. Alger, *p.*	'86	'96	11	20	31	9	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
" *Scand.*, **Millville,**	1892	Arthur Westberg,				6	4	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	0
Blandford, 1st,	1735	C. B. Hayden,	Allen C. Ferrin, *p. c.*	'96	'95	26	57	83	16		4	5	2	2	0	4	1	0
" **North,**	1893	Mrs. Julia C. Loveland,	Allen C. Ferrin, *p. c.*	'96	'95	9	25	34	0	11	7	18	2	0	0	2	9	0
Boston, Charlestown,	1632	Gardner Bates,	Charles H. Pope,	'65	'96	41	138	179		0	0	0	3	8	25	36	0	4
" Old South,	1669	J. Converse Gray,	George A. Gordon, *p. c.*	'77	'84	207	422	629	60	20	14	34	10	3	0	13	6	5
" 2d, **Dorchester,**	1808	William D. Brigham,	Arthur Little, *p. c.*	'63	'89	224	426	650		18	37	55	12	9	0	21	12	16
" Park st.,	1809	William E. Swift,				348	552	900	400	5	4	9	14	13	0	27	4	0
" Union,	1822	Samuel H. Root,	Samuel L. Loomis, *p. c.*	'80	'96	159	352	511	73	10	17	27	2	40	27	69	5	0
" Phillips, **South,**	1823	Dea. W. B. Bancroft,	Charles A. Dinsmore, *p. c.*	'85	'96	187	498	685	125	31	12	43	9	20	1	30	8	5
" Berkeley Temple,	1827	J. H. Richardson,	Charles A. Dickinson, *p.c.*	'79	'88	392	728	1120		24	33	57	5	36	0	41		
" **Brighton,**	1827	Elbra L. Barker,	Adolph A. Berle, *p. c.*	'87	'91	72	149	221		9	5	14	1	3	0	4		4
" Village, **Dorchester,**	'29	Dea. Frederick M. Swan,	G. Wolcott Brooks, *p.*	'77	'90	62	148	210	26	3	5	8	5	6	0	11	0	4
" Winth'p, **Charlest'n,**	'33	Norman D. Stewart,				101	318	419		23	9	42	4	13		18	4	6
" **Eliot, Roxbury,**	1834	James S. Barrows,	August'sC. Thompson *p.c.*	'42	'42	123	257	380	92	3	6	9	8	5	0	13	2	8
" Central,	1835	Arthur G. Stanwood,	Edward L. Clark, *p. c.*	'61	'93	73	171	244		3	14	17	3		0	14	2	3
" **W. Roxbury,**	1835	Edw. W. Schuerch,	Frank W. Merrick, *p. c.*	'91	'93	56	133	189	24	2	4	16	7	3	0	10	2	4
" **Maverick, East,**	1836	Lawrence S. James,	Smith Baker, *p. c. a*	'60	93	2	306	418	158	12	10	22	11	7	68	86	7	33
" Mt. Vernon,	1842	Sanford Keith,	Samuel E. Herrick, *p. c.*	'63	'7	14	272	386		4	15	19	15	1	0	16		3
" **Shawmut,**	1845	Charles P. Loring,	{ Edwin B. Webb, *p.c., em.* { William E. Barton, *p. c.*	'50 '85	'60 '93	138	283	421		11	18	29	11	21	0	32	3	0
" **Jamaica Plain,**	1853	James H. Dodge,	Charles L. Morgan, *p. c.*	'76	'94	92	380	572	106	28	27	55	7	12	0	19	4	20
" Immanuel, **Roxb'y,**	1857	Royal T. Brodrick,	Charles H. Beale, *p. c.*	'80	'94	105	302	407	80	14	7	21	4	28	2	34	2	4
" **Neponset,**	1859	Herbert Tucker,	Eugene C. Webster, *p. c.*	'90	'93	39	82	121	23	11	6	7	0	3	0	3	2	3
" Pilgrim, **Dorche'r,**	1867	Charles H. Crockett,	William H. Allbright, *p.c.*	'79	'90	130	312	442	14	20	33	53	5	11	0	16	13	16
" Highland, **Roxb'y,**	1869	George W. Basford,	William R. Campbell, *p. c.*	'81	'8	140	307	447	120	25	6	31	3	19	0	22	8	30
" **Walnut av., Roxb'y,**	'70	Charles H. W. Wood,	Albert H. Plumb, *p. c.*	'58	'72	6	250	366	29	9	5	14	5	9	0	14	6	11
" Olivet,	1876	Miss Susan C. Smith,	Donald Browne, *p.*	'90	'95	23	48	71	5	2	0	2	0	7	0	7	0	1
" **Boylston, Ja. Plain,**	1879	Sylvester R. Crocker,	Ellis Mendell, *p. c.*	'79	'88	67	193	260	57	9	8	17	5	7	0	12	3	7
" *Swed.*,	1881	John R. Sjämon,	Peter Vincentius, *p. c.*	'88	'87	72	150	222	10	22	2	24	0	4	5	9		12
" *Norwegian*,	1885	Ole M. Dahl,	Morten Olsen, *p.*	'95	'94	8	36	54	2	7	0	7	0	0	2	2		10
" **Allston,**	1886	Charles M. Demerrit,	John O. Haarvig, *p. c.*	'83	'95	114	208	322	55	7	16	33	5	10	0	15	6	4

a Chas. E. Beals, asst. p., '94, '96.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Belmont,	Harris E. Carpenter,	101	66	65	47	0	0	10	13	0	0	0	10	33	0	1,600
Berkley,	Caleb D. Babbitt,	65	40	70	37	156	3	13	6	27	9	0	13	227	0	1,080
Berlin,	Charles M. Sawyer,	105	66	55	44	21	12	12	23	18	6	0	0	92	1,100	1,400
Bernardston,	Alonzo Alford,	90	42	52	18	67	10	22	76	7	4	6	21	213	0	877
Beverly, North,	Charles S. Brown,			80	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	90	0	
" Dane st.,	Charles L. Odell,	608	401	400	225	740	0	28	892	138	46	8	675	2,527	0	4,625
" Wash'ton st.,	Samuel Cole,	311	178	260	93	225	30	20	375	52	23	0	150	884	0	2,660
Billerica,	John E. Bull,	75	50	53	40	96	20	0	19	55	4	0	40	234	0	1,143
Blackstone,	Calvin H. Lee,	78	46	75	75	27	6	10	58	8	15	0	0	124	0	650
" Millville,	Frank Carlson,	10	7			0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	
Blandford, 1st,	Charles B. Hayden,	70	46	40	0	60	5	5	41	18	19	10	46	204	0	2,180
" North,	Harrison L. Pease,	65	53	56	25	0	0	3	3	3	9	0	3	21	0	433
Boston, Ch'st'n,	Henry Brown,	114	68	75	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	100	1,000	2,500
" Old South,	Nathan B. Day,	610	330			17,578	565	232	8,934	599	308	0	6,262	34,478	0	
" 2d, Dorch'r,	William Q. Wales,	871	487	515	214	3,414	2,726	342	3,342	1,198	202	17	468	11,709	0	9,940
" Park st.,	Alfred H. Colby,	325	190		130	2,784	80	0	2,231	410	0	0	1,858	7,363	0	12,882
" Union,	George O. Haven,	405	253	500	251	1,464	170	119	460	564	0	0	0	2,777	0	8,000
" Phillips, South	Minot F. Davis,	890	500	500	274	577	16	16	1,229	57	16	0	176	2,087	0	7,344
" Berkeley Tem.	Hamilton S. Conant,	475	300		250	318	0	0	10	98	0	0	1,801	2,227	0	13,500
" Brighton,	William F. Murphy,	357	231	300	209	589	129	0	1,502	192	245	0	417	3,074	0	5,789
" Village, Dorc.	W. G. Swan,	237	158	149	174	240	20	14	319	47	17	0	126	783	0	3,153
" Winth'p, C'n,	Alonzo E. Martin,	505	329		54	368	261	38	536	75	0	0	1,348	2,626	0	6,082
" Eliot, Roxb.,	Clarence T. Mooar,	330	213	230	139	1,204	123	31	1,061	230	60	0	651	3,360	0	4,350
" Central,	George H. Richter,	200	150			2,944	622	265	3,936	475	715	0	533	9,490	0	
" W. Roxbury,	E. E. Grover,	241	158	187	70	245	16	14	325	68	0	12	109	789	0	3,963
" Mave'k, East,	Elmer H. Allen,	m729	406	630	245	50	70	80	347	95	25	0	33	700	0	6,300
" Mt. Vernon,	David R. Craig,	180	92			4,666	0	31	2,056	337	0	30	15	7,135	0	
" Shawmut,	Rev. George H. Cate,	571	393		110	1,743	78	135	784	360	19	20	75	3,214	0	9,527
" Jamaica Pl.,	J. W. Farmer,	559	355	445	177	495	228	122	922	432	270	19	290	2,778	0	7,400
" Imman'l, Rox.	Asa H. Porter,	472	296	250	108	577	116	0	869	253	140	0	941	2,896	0	7,690
" Neponset,	Charles H. Horne,	146	85	140	105	100	9	9	144	66	11	23	101	463	0	1,237
" Pilg'm, Dorch.	Joseph M. Donald,	505	312	452	194	365	170	25	586	114	18	0	697	1,975	0	12,978
" Highl'd, Rox.,	Charles L. Zeigler,	735	433	260	116	486	33	10	458	98	23	0	119	1,227	0	6,128
" Walnut av., R.	Frank O. Whitney,	368	246	200	118	1,376	91	62	2,752	523	70	14	213	5,101	4,000	8,300
" Olivet,	Arthur M. Clement,	91	39	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	92	92	0	1,282
" Boylston, J. P.	Sylvester R. Crocker,	443	234	330	102	210	33	31	129	68	44	0	260	775	0	3,178
" *Swed.*,	John E. Friberg,	230	158			0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	0	5,046
" *Norw.*,	Rev. Morten Olsen,	54	15	35		0	0	0	10	1	0	0	24	35	0	967
" Allston,	Fred M. Newcomb,	385	172	300	129	993	55	172	1 022	39	13	20	123	2,437	0	7,490

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Boston, Harvard, **Dorch'r,**	'88	Henry N. Marr,	William H. Bolster, *p. c.*	'72	'92	37	97	134	15	3	8	11	0	5	0	5	0	1
" Central, **Dorch'r,**	1888	James H. Landers,	Perley B. Davis, *p.*	'62	'92	45	72	117	22	3	15	18	1	8	0	9	2	18
" Seamen's,	1888	James E. MacDonald,	Sylvester S. Nickerson, *p.c.*	'76	'88	64	15	79	41	6	1	7	1	3	0	4	1	1
" **Roslindale,**	1890	Dea. Henry H. Cole,	Richard B. Grover, *p.*	'81	'90	65	139	204	11	17	17	34	2	4	0	6	6	11
" Garrison Memorial,	1895	Rev. P. T. Stanford,	P. Thomas Stanford, *p. c.*	'78	'95	130	75	205	40	25	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	14
Boxboro', **West Acton,**	1784	A. W. Wetherbee,	Albert B. Peabody, *p.*	'60	'91	23	31	54	19	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	0
Boxford,	1702	W. W. Howe,	Emery L. Bradford, *p. c.*	'92	'92	33	94	127		2	1	3	4	0	0	4	2	5
" **West,**	1736	William K. Cole,	Charles L. Hubbard, *p. c.*	'68	'78	23	46	69	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Boylston,	1743	Mrs. H. L. Lynch, B.Cen.	D. Emery Burtner, *p.*	'90	'93	52	92	144	32	6	5	11	1	7	0	8	4	0
Bradford,	1682	Dea. S. W. Carleton,	John D. Kingsbury, *p. c.*	'56	'66	143	309	452	45	7	3	10	9	3	0	12	5	3
" **Ward Hill,**	1893	Harlan Chase,				20	50	70	4	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	3	0
Braintree, 1st,	1707	Dea. Arza B. Keith,	Alfred A. Ellsworth, *p. c.*	'62	'85	45	132	177	28	5	5	10	3	3	1	7	5	1
" **South,**	1829	Frank Reed,	Chas. F. H. Crathern, *p.*	'86	'96	17	53	70	6	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bridgewater,	1821	Dea. L. A. Darling,	Elbert S. Porter, *p. c.*	'83	'89	86	172	258	56	2	7	9	1	4	0	5	2	2
" **Scotland,**	1836	Mrs. T. C. Wilbur, **B.,**	Ira A. Smith, *p.*	'82	'96	14	26	40	16	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Brimfield,	1724	Dea. Edward B. Brown,	Robert J. Kyle, *p.*	'85	'94	31	53	84	24	2	2	4	1	0	0	1	2	0
Brockton, 1st,	1740	Dea. Jesse F. Perkins,	Alan B. Hudson, *p.*	'92	'96	86	237	323		7	8	15	6	18	0	24	6	0
" **South, Campello,**	1857	Rufus P. Keith,	**William T. Beale,** *p. c.*	'82	'94	120	249	369		2	6	8	7	9	0	16	2	3
" Porter,	1850	**Minot W. Niles,**	**Andrew W. Archibald,** *p.c.*	'76	'97	188	418	606	90	55	14	69	12	57	0	69	45	3
" *Swed.*, **Campello,**	1879	Dea. Wm. Allen,	**John E. Johnson,**	'92	'97	122	145	267	28	25	0	25	2	8	26	36	0	
" Waldo,	1896	James T. McCaughey,	Robert L. Rae, *p. c.*	'89	'96	23	34	57		19	40	59	0	2	0	2	15	2
" [Wendell av.,	1897	David Kingman,	Edwin L. Noble, *p. c.*	'96	'97	23	46	69										
Brookfield,	1756	Mrs. E. K. Goodell,	Edw. B. Blanchard, *p. c.*	'92	'95	35	99	134	41	5	6	11	1	5	3	9	4	0
Brookline, Harvard,	1844	Edward Sharp,	Reuen Thomas, *p. c. a*	'60	'75	202	451	653	75	17	19	36	7	19	0	26		
" **Leyden,**	1896	Robert W. Hastings,	Harris G. Hale, *p. c.*	'91	'96	19	37	56	0	4	52	56	0	0	0	0	2	4
Buckland,	1785	Dea. H. L. Warfield,	Alpheus C. Hodges, *p. c.*	'81	'81	55	110	165	32	0	5	5	3	7	0	10	0	1
Burlington,	1735	Dea. Samuel Sewall,	Austin Dodge, *p.*	'66	'95	18	37	55	21	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Cambridge, 1st,	1636	Charles F. Stratton,	Alex'r McKenzie, *p. c.*	'61	'67	249	584	833		23	28	51	10	15	0	25	5	15
" **Prospect st.,**	1827	Albert B. Long,				125	289	414	131	4	14	18	0	10	0	10	0	1
" **North av.,**	1857	John F. Eaton,	**Lawrence M. Colfelt,**		'97	161	293	454	75	4	3	7	2	17	1	20	0	0
" **Pilgrim,**	1865	Dea. Daniel S. Coolidge,	**Frank E. Ramsdell,** *p.*	'91	'96	225	406	631	112	12	9	21	16	11	46	73	2	6
" **Wood Memorial,**	1872	Dea. Abijah R. Buck,	Isaiah W. Sneath, *p. c.*	'84	'87	84	178	262	35	12	11	23	5	7	0	12	4	14
" **Hope,**	1890	Frank R. Stewart,	**Charles M. Carpenter,** *p.*	'90	'93	39	59	98	16	7	5	12	2	4	0	6	1	19
Canton,	1828	**Abner Morse,**				47	61	108	7	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	0	2
Carlisle,	1781	W. A. Prescott,	Lyman Mevis, *p.*	'91	'94	20	32	52	13	4	2	6	2	0	0	2	1	3
Carver, North,	1733	Theron M. Cole,	Washington H. Forbes,	'81	'97	14	26	40	13	0	2	2	3	0	2	5	0	0
Charlemont, 1st,	1788	Dea. J. H. Smead,	William R. Joyslin, *p.*	'64	'96	58	33	91	6	0	2	2	2	5	0	7	0	0
" **East,**	1845	Mrs. Lyman Whiting,	Lyman Whiting, *p.*	'43	'89	20	43	63	10	1	4	5	0	2	0	2	1	0
Charlton,	1761	Dea. M. D. Woodbury,	George O. Jenness, *p.*	'61	'96	17	45	62	24	1	4	5	3	0	0	3	0	1
Chatham,	1720	George S. Atwood,	Daniel W. Richardson, *p.*	'62	'96	26	57	83	23	4	0	4	0	1	1	2	4	0
Chelmsford, North,	1824	Dea. Charles H. Holt,	S. Ingersoll Briant, *p.*	'68	'89	19	52	71	14	5	0	5	1	3	0	4	2	2

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Boston, Harvard,	Henry N. Marr,	250	162	170	56	100	0	12	317	117	0	0	302	848	0	4,200
" Central,	Andrew T Hersey,	180	123	95	63	60	13	11	104	15	16	0	105	324	0	3,200
" Seamen's,	Fred P Greenwood, Everett,	52	28	22	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	175	175	0	
" Roslindale,	George Dame,	325	186	242	110	125	0	0	100	0	0	0	100	325	0	
" Garrison Mem.	Rev. P Thomas Stanford,	95	60	40	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	400
Boxboro,	Dea. Martin E. Wood,	70	42	26	23	54	0	5	34	10	3	0	11	117	0	532
Boxford,	H. N Towne,	125	100	105	34	43	7	0	27	25	0	0	30	132	0	1,200
" West,	Prof. N. B. Sargent,	70	30	75	0	52	9	0	48	81	5	0	40	235	0	
Boylston,	C. H. Andrews, B. Centre,	m150	83	110	55	35	0	0	34	54	6	0	37	166	0	4,055
Bradford,	Arthur W. Johnson,	525	268	450	75	150	10	30	352	50	40	0	299	931	0	4,000
"	Charles Bisbee,	100	80	85	61	10	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	29	0	1,122
Braintree, 1st,	Charles S. Bates,	313	181	150	61	137	15	12	586	85	50	0	60	945	0	3,741
" South,	Dea. Henry B. Whitman,	203	85	130	70	43	0	9	46	31	0	0	129	258	0	2,000
Bridgewater,	W. D. Jackson,	210	118	150	166	92	13	15	209	78	25	0	116	548	0	2,800
" Scotland,	Mrs. E. E. Keith,	79	36	46	30	5	0	0	46	12	0	0	0	63	0	500
Brimfield,	George H. Streeter,	75	45	37	32	12	9	8	14	15	9	0	30	97	0	1,095
Brockton, 1st,	A. N. Whitney,			325	122	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	736	736	0	3,500
" So. Campello,	Harold C. Childs,	m725	400	375	215	238	36	52	348	85	40	56	447	1,302	0	15,000
" Porter,	Charles A. Jenney,	m922	531		228	260	0	0	1,170	104	25	0	1,458	3,017	0	6,771
" *Swed.*, Camp.	Charles A. Norling,	137		105	79	0	0	0	143	0	0	0	180	323	0	2,341
" Waldo,	Waldo M. Nash,	260	126		137	10	0	0	0	12	0	0	71	93	0	1,533
Brookfield,	Edward B. Hale,	150	98	90	80	37	53	16	62	49	17	0	110	344	0	1,620
Brookline, Har'd,	E. B. Floyd,	850				7,656	465	368	2,600	871	694	131	3,680	16,465	0	16,000
" Leyden.	Morris A. Hall,	64	47	40	0	100	18	0	115	0	0	0	0	233	0	818
Buckland,	Edmund F. Smith,	118	73	124	52	48	15	5	17	38	7	6	16	152	0	900
Burlington,	Thomas I. Reed,	50	40	50	50	85	0	0	40	0	0	0	20	145	0	1,400
Cambridge, 1st,	George E. Mackintire,	m525	350		175	1,284	0	0	4,575	383	104	0	1,513	7,859	0	9,000
" Prospect st.,	Allyne L. Merrill,	343	225		121	280	95	45	840	75	175	0	150	1,660	0	4,768
" North av.,	James Morrison,	509	320	300	99	480	50	0	686	293	149	159	362	2,179	0	6,809
" Pilgrim,	George B. Caswell,	h548	326	475	194	325	117	54	201	214	50	0	97	1,058	0	4,527
" Wood Mem.	A. Lawrence Ball,	460	273	400	157	10	70	18	63	6	1	2	180	350	0	6,350
" Hope,	John Howorth,	175	114	175	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	0	1,700
Canton,	Miss Jennie T Ellis,	129	64	100	80	231	0	0	115	0	60	0	25	431	0	2,221
Carlisle,	Warren B. Chamberlin,	96	47	50	28	9	0	2	27	25	6	0	2	71	0	1,060
Carver, North,	Charlotte Eames,	55	36	54	15	17	6	6	18	35	10	0	28	120	0	510
Charlemont, 1st,	Dea. E. N. Hawkes,	92	61	110	27	21	7	5	25	10	0	0	7	75	0	653
" East,	Everett Packard,	75	39	53	45	92	26	9	19	19	14	3	80	262	0	465
Charlton,	Mrs. Frank O. Wakefield,	45	20	40	61	27	0	0	5	5	4	0	3	44	0	620
Chatham,	Levi Atwood,	83	41	60	50	11	0	0	7	0	0	0	5	23	0	696
Chelmsford, N.,	Dea. Arthur H. Sheldon,	114	66	135	54	16	0	10	23	8	3	0	0	60	596	1,173

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Chelmsford, Central,	1876	A. B. Woodworth,	Ernest C. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'96	'96	27	62	89	0	0	3	3	2	2	0	4	0	0
Chelsea, 1st,	1841	Waldo E. Pratt,	Ross C. Houghton, *p. c.*	'69	'95	92	282	374	56	14	11	25	11	15	8	34	4	5
" Central,	1851	D. Henry Bonner,	Charles E. Jefferson, *p. c.*	'87	'87	168	507	675	100	40	24	64	8	30	1	39	13	10
" 3d,	1877	Jacob Pratt, jr.,	Samuel M. Cathcart, *p.*	'96	'96	44	112	156		0	3	3	5	1	0	6	0	0
Chester, 1st,	1769	Dea. Alfred S. Foote,	Edward C. Haynes, *p.*	'82	'93	13	16	29	15	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
" 2d,	1844	E. O. Redfield,	Thomas D. Murphy, *p.*	'68	'93	36	78	114	18	5	3	8	0	0	0	0	2	4
Chesterfield,	1764	Mrs. Wm. Baker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, *p.*	'87	'95	31	59	90	10	4	1	5	0	2	4	6	4	0
Chicopee, 1st,	1752	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	Collins G. Burnham, *p. c.*	'79	'88	27	53	80	18	0	1	1	1	1	1	3	0	1
" Falls,	1830	Arthur B. West,	Hervey G. Pillsbury, *p.c.*	'82	'95	69	116	185	19	0	14	14	5	1	0	6	0	5
" 3d,	1834	James L. Pease,	Charles Pease, *p.*	'96	'94	53	151	204	83	1	3	4	4	4	0	8	1	5
Clinton,	1844	Edward L. Greene,	William W. Jordan, *p. c.*	'84	'93	161	319	480	74	24	15	39	11	5	0	16	10	12
Cohasset,	1824	Warren L. Tower,	E. Victor Bigelow, *p. c.*	'91	'91	30	106	136	15	4	3	7	0	1	0	1	3	3
" Beechwood,	1863		John Wriston, *p.*	'94	'96	5	29	34	13	0	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	0
Coleraine,	1750	Dea. A. H. Temple,	Charles M. Crooks, *p.*	'97	'96	12	30	42	10	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0
Concord,	1826	Ole O. Thorpe,	George A. Tewksbury, *p.*	'63	'91	62	129	191	30	5	6	11	5	4	0	9	1	8
Conway,	1768	Henry W. Billings,	Eugene F. Hunt, *p.*	'84	'95	64	125	189	34	1	7	8	3	2	0	5	1	4
Cummington,	1839	Mrs. Julia Porter,	Joseph W. Strout, *p.*	'86	'94	37	73	110	17	0	2	2	2	2	0	4	0	0
" West,	1840	Mrs G. D. Benjamin,	Joseph W. Strout, *p.*	'86	'94	7	26	33	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dalton,	1785	Dea. Henry A. Barton,	George W. Andrews, *p.*	'82	'83	106	205	311	35	8	10	18	6	3	0	9	3	26
Dana,	1852	Nathaniel L. Johnson,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'93	4	15	19	5	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0
Danvers Centre,	1689	E. A. H. Grover,	Harry C. Adams, *p. c.*	'91	'97	52	142	194	29	3	2	5	6	2	0	8	3	3
" Maple st.,	1844	John S. Learoyd,	Edward C. Ewing, *p. c.*	'63	'83	115	282	397	33	1	0	1	2	4	0	6	0	8
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wanton H. Gray,	Simeon B. Dunn,	'75	'97	14	34	48	10	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Dedham,	1638	Miss Sarah B. Baker,	Joseph B. Seabury, *p. c.*	'75	'85	86	200	286	51	6	4	10	4	4	5	13	2	5
" Islington,	1878	Marcus Haye,	Warren F. Bickford, *p.*	'76	'91	5	17	22	2	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
Deerfield, South,	1818	Henry A. Field,				58	107	165	25	1	7	8	7	0	0	7	0	2
"	1835	B. Z. Stebbins, jr.,	Andrew Campbell, *p.*	'96	'96	18	47	65	13	1	0	1	2	3	15	20	1	0
Dennis, South,	1817	Miss E. H. Underwood,	J. Sherman Gove,	'93	'97	4	33	37	4	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0
" Union,	1866	Nathan A. Howes,				7	32	39	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dighton, North,	1710	Dea. Geo. E. Gooding,	Granville Yager, *p.*	'78	'95	18	40	58	10	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0
Douglas,	1747	Laura E. Balcom,				6	30	36	9	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
" East,	1834	Edwin Moore,	William T. Briggs, *p. c. em.*	'46	'66	34	77	111	20	2	4	6	5	8	0	13	2	0
Dover,	1839	George L. Howe,	Edwin Leonard, *p.*	'52	'92	22	26	48	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Dracut, 1st,	1721	James S. Thomson,	Ernest L. Baker, *p. c.*	'94	'94	12	48	60	7	5	0	5	0	1	3	4	4	3
" Central,	1847	Wm. H. Stickney,	Frederic I. Kelley,	'89	'97	37	47	84	17	2	1	3	3	0	0	3	2	0
Dudley,	1732	Dea. Wm. H. Upham,	William E. Morse, *p.*	'84	'94	22	58	80	22	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
Dunstable,	1757	Lyman V. Parkhurst,	Bartlett H. Weston, *p.*	'90	'91	25	48	73	8	1	6	7	1	1	0	2	1	1
Duxbury,	1843	John H. Haverstock,	Solomon G. Merrick, *p.*	'86	'95	12	59	71	12	4	4	8	1	0	0	1	4	0
East Bridgewater,	1826	James T. Allen,	Frank H. Palmer, *p.*	'80	'93	44	61	105	23	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
Easthampton, 1st,	1785	H. L. Lyman,	Sumner G. Wood, *p. c.*	'80	'89	99	236	335	51	4	8	12	3	6	1	10	3	10

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Chelmsford, Cen'l	Samuel Hagerman,	1 25	78	78	53	59	0	22	35	0	0	0	40	156	0	1,445
Chelsea, 1st,	Arthur C. Stone,	685	373	50	142	362	0	5	463	10	20	0	864	1,724	525	7,542
" Central,	George H. Buck,	h1,096	494	750	165	302	230	43	1,028	218	34	166	600	2,621	0	14,159
" 3d,	Henry A. Tenney, Everett,	305	150		83	19	4	8	0	16	0	5	0	52	0	2,287
Chester, 1st,	Rev. Edward C. Haynes,	35	19	20	0	8	1	0	7	9	2	0	0	27	0	250
" 2d,	F. H. Mixer,	190	102	90	84	4	0	0	19	6	6	0	67	102	0	1,176
Chesterfield,	William H. Baker,	80	48	100	43	62	2	7	12	6	0	8	2	99	600	1,000
Chicopee, 1st,	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	75	41	45	0	103	26	14	55	30	2	4	40	274	0	1,186
" Falls,	Fred M. Nichols,	189	123	155	40	121	29	31	343	57	44	11	384	1,020	0	3,100
" 3d,	Clarence A. Brodeur,	134	98	100	50	38	7	0	900	77	12	20	200	1,254	0	3,000
Clinton,	Edward W. Breed,	624	439	350	186	409	250	2	279	153	18	15	858	2,010	0	4,294
Cohasset,	Philander Bates,	150	85	130	100	166	10	0	135	30	24	0	50	415	0	4,053
" Beechwood,	Mrs. Salome A. Litchfield,	65	50	50	51	0	0	0	4	0	3	0	5	12	0	
Coleraine,	L. Griswold, Griswoldville,	35	22	70	0	11	0	0	6	0	0	0	14	31	0	728
Concord,	Charles H. Towle,	237	143	185	83	329	64	27	360	299	47	83	188	1,397	0	4,116
Conway,	Dea. E. W. Hamilton,	144	96	90	41	32	20	16	57	32	11	12	72	252	0	1,600
Cummington,	Mrs. Charles Streeter,	125	93	80	51	18	3	4	24	20	5	0	0	74	500	2,400
" West,	A. N. Hubbard,	26	20	40	30	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	5	15	0	225
Dalton,	Payson E. Little,	347	233	260	180	2,202	1,345	157	1,741	791	187	172	1,001	7,596	0	3,676
Dana,	Forest A. Hicks, Nichewaug,	40	18	33	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	209
Danvers Centre,	E. A. H. Grove	196	119	165	50	177	38	10	222	79	15	0	35	576	0	2,202
" Maple st.,	George W. Fiske,	678	342	290	196	624	154	221	611	374	83	27	349	2,443	0	4,130
Dartmouth, So.,	E. B. Sturtevant,	70	40	110	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,200
Dedham,	James Y. Noyes,	212	144	203	75	667	139	99	927	171	101	56	336	2,496	0	4,164
" Islington,	Rev. W. F. Bickford,	39	27	32	19	6	0	2	6	6	1	0	19	40	0	613
Deerfield, South,	Arthur G. Clapp,	206	88	120	50	141	19	24	55	81	17	5	46	388	0	1,728
"	John J. Greenough,	48	29	40	43	15	0	0	17	6	0	0	0	38	0	1,250
Dennis, South,	William E. Baker,	50	30	60	38	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	20	0	256
" Union,	Nathan A. Howes,	90	45		46	8	0	0	0	10	0	0	15	33	0	700
Dighton, North,	Rev. Joseph E. Sears,	94	55	50	25	104	0	0	44	212	0	0	250	610	0	1,000
Douglas,	Laura E. Balcom,	35	30		27	5	6	0	15	15	30	0	5	76	0	200
" East,	Walter E. Harris,	128	75	100	77	120	2	6	79	36	11	5	8	267	0	1,339
Dover,	George L. Howe,	58	35	43	43	9	0	4	10	3	0	0	20	46	0	549
Dracut, 1st,	Dea. Charles L. Hodge,	148	76	100	49	19	2	1	12	12	2	2	5	55	0	1,200
" Central,	Calvin Richardson,	166	110	65	44	34	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	46	0	900
Dudley,	Clarence A. Jacobs,	151	71	70	63	11	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	37	0	1,071
Dunstable,	Dea. George A Glover,	110	53	50	45	160	9	7	48	30	18	0	37	309	0	910
Duxbury,	Miss S. B. Higgins,	112	53	105	48	40	9	8	26	3	14	0	100	200	0	1,113
E. Bridgewater,	James T. Allen,	71	47		53	15	9	0	6	11	24	3	58	126	0	1,450
Easthampton, 1st,	H. G. Porter,	380	163	200	109	218	77	78	292	169	0	0	69	903	0	3,013

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Easthampton, Payson,	1852	Charles H. Johnson,	Charles H. Hamlin, *p. c.*	'77	'85	129	338	467	75	3	2	5	7	7	0	14	1	20
East Longmeadow,	1829	Arthur G. Crane,	John A. Hughes, *p.*	'93	'96	35	63	98	29	0	4	4	1	8	0	9	0	0
Easton,	1725	Dea. E. B. Hayward,*a*	Augustus H. Fuller, *p.*	'78	'92	50	104	154	19	4	2	6	3	6	14	23	2	2
" *Swedish*, North,	1883	William Borg,	Emil Holmblad, *p.*	'84	'92	24	18	42	2	0	0	0	2	0	4	6	0	3
Edgartown,	1642	Theo. S. Winpenny,	Duncan McDermid,	'86	'97	20	56	76	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Egremont, South,	1816	Roscoe C. Taft,	Bruce W. Cronmiller, *p.*	'92	'96	27	64	91	24	6	1	7	2	3	0	5	10	2
Enfield,	1789	Henry E. Brown,	George H. Hubbard, *p.*	'84	'96	71	150	221	43	0	2	2	5	3	0	8	0	1
Erving,	1832	Rev. J. W. Brownville,	John W. Brownville, *p.*	'73	'92	20	42	62	14	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Essex,	1683	Rufus Choate,	William J. Murray, *p.*	'79	'96	31	98	129	13	2	0	2	1	3	0	4	1	0
Everett, 1st,	1848	Franklin Peirce,				144	245	389	63	5	18	23	7	27	0	34	3	10
" Courtland st.,	1891	Geo. R. P. Nichols,	Richard H. McGown, *p.*	'82	'95	17	22	39	6	0	0	0	0	4	14	18	0	3
" Mystic Side,	1893	J. E. Higgins, **Malden,**	Albert Watson, *p. c.*	'71	'93	45	87	132	15	9	6	15	1	7	0	8	3	4
Fairhaven,	1794	Tucker Damon,				34	91	125	12	1	0	1	6	2	0	8	0	1
Fall River, 1st,	1816		William W. Adams, *p. c.* —*b*	'60	'63	59	185	244	28	5	2	7	1	2	0	3	4	4
" Central,	1842	James W. Brigham,				183	355	538	75	10	9	19	15	5	0	20	5	37
" Fowler,	1874	Walter E. Tripp,	Payson W. Lyman, *p. c.*	'71	'88	18	70	88	22	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	2
" *French*,	1886	Joseph Adam,	Samuel P. Rondeau, *p.*	'92	'96	27	31	58	2	8	0	8	0	2	0	2	7	0
" Broadway,	1894	Holden Baldwin.	Henry G. Megathlin, *p. c.*	'96	'96	16	62	78	15	9	3	12	0	7	5	12	0	8
Falmouth, 1st,	1708	Dea. George E. Clark,	Chas. H. Washburn, *p. c.*	'85	'90	42	115	157	36	7	6	13	4	0	0	4	1	3
" East,	1821	Dea. Wm.W. Eldridge,	Henry K. Craig, *p.*	'55	'93	16	36	52	11	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0
" North,	1833	Dea. Jas. M. Witherell,	Ezra N. Smith, *p.*	'72	'90	18	39	57	13	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
" Waquoit,	1849	John B. Fisher,	Henry K. Craig, *p.*	'55	'93	17	36	53	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Woods Holl,	1880	Mrs. J. W. Bowles,	George S. Dodge, *p.*	'93	'93	15	22	37	12	10	1	11	0	2	0	2	9	0
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	1768	Harry A. Hill,	George R. Hewitt, *p.*	'86	'94	158	279	437	113	3	14	17	2	13	0	15	1	2
" Rollstone,	1868	Frank C. Hoyt,	William O. Conrad, *p. c.*	'90	'96	177	369	546	85	6	13	19	5	12	0	17	3	1
" *German*,	1889	Christian Moeckel,	S. Herman Schwab, *p.*	'89	'88	18	57	75		5	0	5	1	0	0	1	0	15
" *Swedish*,	1892	Evald Remgren,				45	69	114	8	27	1	28	0	5	1	6	0	31
Foxboro',	1779	Dea. Horace Carpenter,	James W. Flagg, *p.*	'82	'93	68	187	255	49	23	6	29	8	8	0	16	13	3
Framingham,	1701	Rev. L. R. Eastman,	Lucius R. Eastman, *p. c.*	'62	'71	76	197	273	23	9	2	11	5	3	0	8	7	4
" Saxonville,	1833	Dea. J. B. Johnson,	George A. Brock, *p. c.*	'91	'91	37	115	152	37	4	2	6	6	0	0	6	3	3
" South,	1873	Fred L. Oakes,	Frederick E. Emrich, *p. c.*	'75	'89	137	254	391	49	14	14	28	3	8	2	13	8	11
Franklin, 1st,	1738	Dea J. Herbert Baker,	Charles W. Longren, *p.*	'87	'94	90	230	320	68	25	5	30	5	4	0	9	16	7
" South,	1855	Mrs. Abby Wadsworth,				4	12	16	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Freetown, Assonet,	1807	Gilbert M. Nichols,	Franklin K. Beem, *p.*	'95	'95	7	17	24	7	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Gardner,	1786	H. H. Smith, W. G.,	Burton S. Gilman, *p. c.*	'97	'97	132	258	390	50	13	14	27	6	7	0	13	13	0
Georgetown, 1st,	1732	Mrs. H. H. Noyes,	Henry R. McCartney, *p.c.*	'87	'91	34	97	131	32	3	1	4	5	0	0	5	2	0
" Memorial,	1864	Dea. Henry Hilliard,	C. Julian Tuthill, *p.*	'94	'95	37	82	119	22	1	3	4	2	3	1	5	1	1
Gill,	1796	Mrs. E. L. S. Moore,	[Miss Bella W. Hume,]		'96	12	22	34	7	1	2	3	0	1	0	1	1	1
Gloucester, West,	1716	Joshua E. Roberts,	Temple Cutler, *p.*	'61	'95	20	30	50	9	0	5	5	0	2	0	2	0	0
" Trinity,	1829	John J. Pew,	Rufus P. Hibbard, *p. c.*	'68	'88	82	240	322	32	4	5	9	3	6	0	9	1	8

a **Eastondale.** *b* Edwin A. Buck, asst. pastor, '54, '67. **Feeding Hills,** *see* Agawam. **Florence,** *see* Northampton. **Gilbertville,** *see* Hardwick.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Easthamp'n, P'n,	Robert G. Leavitt,	261	181	200	99	443	56	67	612	150	25	19	103	1,475	0	3,839
E. Longmeadow	F. C. Davis,	115	77	70	48	57	2	0	15	6	12	1	17	110	0	800
Easton,	Edward B. Hayward,	m330	180	250	106	146	17	13	138	43	30	9	98	494	0	1,400
S., North,	William Borg,	100	75	50	0	13	0	2	24	0	0	0	5	44	0	619
Edgartown,	Mrs. H. R. F. Shepard,	60	38	50	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	750
Egremont, South,	C. G. Dalzell,	103	60	50		13	9	7	10	16	11	2	13	81	0	2,379
Enfield,	R. Lewis Thayer, Smith's,	200	123	150	48	156	21	42	376	201	36	0	199	1,031	17,750	1,607
Erving,	W. W. Brown,	128	68	121	52	0	0	0	9	6	0	0	26	41	0	600
Essex,	David L. Haskell,	184	103	138	94	14	0	0	16	48	0	0	135	213	0	1,700
Everett, 1st,	George S. Marshall,	h1,010	440	475	132	120	23	21	118	54	45	19	178	578	0	4,316
" Courtland st.	John M. Finch,	127	91	120	45	3	0	0	7	0	0	0	20	30	0	689
" Mystic Side,	Fred H. Mowers,	330	172	183	36	63	9	8	29	16	0	5	113	243	400	3,039
Fairhaven,	Robert W. Taber,	150	90	148	65	206	13	0	81	0	5	0	0	305	0	1,500
Fall River, 1st,	G. Frank Allen,	276	173	185	147	941	1,311	178	2,106	65	124	0	10,560	15,285	0	7,218
" Cen'l,	Clinton V. S. Remington,	930	572	450	113	1,433	116	109	1,773	322	109	0	1,718	5,580	0	10,000
" Fowler,	Frederick W. Lawson,	145	100	75	35	50	13	7	20	26	25	0	64	205	0	1,480
" *French*,	Rev. S. P. Rondeau,	65	37	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104
" Broadway,	William H. Ives,	80	58	20	50	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	270
Falmouth, 1st,	Seba A. Holton,	143	76	125	51	111	15	15	180	39	32	0	30	422	100	1,796
" East,	Dea. W. W. Eldridge,	27	13	16	18	15	3	0	5	0	1	1	4	29	0	480
" North,	Dea. Silas Hatch,	50	35	30	18	53	0	0	22	5	5	0	27	112	0	1,040
" Waquoit,	Alexander Crocker,	16		33	0	29	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	39	0	
" Woods Holl,	Willis C. Gifford,	50	35	23	74	3	0	0	13	4	0	0	30	50	0	525
Fitchburg, Calv.	Dea. A. C. Brown,	300	160	350	125	212	34	85	375	326	20	20	417	1,489	0	65,000
" Rollstone,	Charles A. Tilton,	530	307	400	169	207	20	7	544	90	25	10	293	1,196	0	4,515
" *German*,	Rev. S. H. Schwab,	140	93	72	30	0	20	0	10	0	0	0	14	44	0	480
" *Swedish*,	John P. Ohlson,	107	90	50	47	25	0	0	9	0	0	0	193	227	0	1,868
Foxboro',	Benjamin F. Boyden, 2d,	295	165	193	101	384	46	9	339	60	78	9	56	981	0	6,255
Framingham,	George E. Fay,	145	69	140	49	566	0	27	966	421	59	0	19	2,058	475	2,491
" Saxonville,	Arthur E. Winch,	123	85	130	74	79	5	10	53	8	5	11	627	798	100	1,400
" South,	John P. Freese,	456	269	300	182	1,919	136	41	372	573	49	0	1,187	4,277	0	5,500
Franklin, 1st,	William H. Colby,	225	162	200	116	197	7	36	89	97	5	0	96	527	0	10,714
" South,	N. B. Arnold,	22	17		13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	115
Freetown, Ass't,	Miss Florence M. Dean,	0	0	17	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	209
Gardner,	C. C. Rathburn,	400	197	375	174	165	220	31	421	88	12	7	574	1,518	0	5,000
Georgetown, 1st,	Edwin S. Daniels,	62	62	145	0	57	0	8	217	31	5	0	7	325	0	1,750
" Memorial,	Lewis H. Giles,	180	68	147	0	103	81	8	154	17	5	0	55	423	0	1,835
Gill,	Henry J. Moore,	35	30	20	25	0	2	0	13	32	1	0	0	48	0	408
Gloucester, West,	John R. Cook,	70	40	50	0	0	0	0	17	15	0	0	0	32	0	
" Trinity,	John Cunningham,	555	343	380	110	670	57	81	279	133	35	28	1,426	2,709	400	6,467

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Gloucester, **Lanesville,**	1830	Francis Reid,	Frank H. Reed, *p. c.*	'86	'85	36	82	118	32	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
" **Magnolia,**	1887	George A. Upton,	James E. Enman, *p. c.*	'95	'95	10	20	30	5	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	3	0
Goshen,	1780	C. Nelson Shaw,	John E. Bowman, *p.*	'95	'96	23	35	58		0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Grafton,	1731	H. Catherine Allen,	Benjamin A. Robie, *p.*	'66	'84	37	102	139	25	4	3	7	2	5	12	19	1	0
" **Saundersville,**	1860	William E. Fowler,	David Howie, *p.*	'89	'93	38	69	107	30	7	11	18	1	6	0	7	2	1
Granby,	1762	A. L. Blackmer,	Robert C. Bell, *p.*	'69	'92	76	131	207	27	1	3	4	2	6	0	8	0	4
Granville, **East,**	1747	Mrs. J. W. Johnson,	[Wallace H. Stearns, *Lic.*]		'97	13	31	44	13	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	0
" **West,**	1781	Rev. S. B. Andrews,	Samuel B. Andrews, *p.*	'68	'96	24	34	58	27	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Great Barrington,	1743	Joseph W. Curtis,	Leon D. Bliss, *p. c.*	'89	'96	85	183	268	41	11	20	31	8	8	22	38	6	6
" **Housatonic,**	1841	Thomas E. Brown,	Arthur J. Benedict, *p.*	'75	'92	56	126	182	23	19	4	23	4	14	1	19	7	4
Greenfield, 1st,	1754	Chas. W. Dinsmore,	Carey H. Watson, *p.*	'91	'90	29	52	81	23	5	0	5	4	0	0	4	5	2
" 2d,	1817	Solon L. Newton,	G. Glenn Atkins, *p.*	'95	'94	94	214	308	45	7	11	18	1	9	0	10	4	4
Greenwich,	1749	Walter H. Glazier,	Lawrence Perry, *p.*	'94	'94	24	78	102	19	2	0	2	1	2	0	3	2	0
Groton,	1664	Dea. D. P. Keyes,	Louis B. Voorhees, *p. c.*	'71	'93	58	127	185	39	1	6	7	4	6	0	10	0	0
Groveland,	1727	Dea. W. B. Ladd,	Alexander Sloan, *p. c.*	'97	'97	26	77	103	11	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	2	0
Hadley, 1st,	1659	M. S. Pierce,	Edward E. Keedy, *p.*	'94	'94	60	116	176	40	1	3	4	2	2	0	4	0	0
" 2d, **North,**	1831	O. W. Prouty,	John W. Lane, *p. c.*	'60	'77	57	76	133	44	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	1
Halifax,	1734	Miss M. J. Danforth,				15	38	53	10	5	0	5	0	4	0	4	1	0
Hamilton,	1714	Joseph P. Lovering,	Jesse G. Nichols, *p. c.*	'94	'94	34	70	104	34	7	1	8	3	0	0	3	4	0
Hamilden,	1785	Dea. A. B. Newell,	[James B. Sargent, *Lic.*]		'97	23	46	69	14	1	1	2	3	1	0	4	0	2
Hanover, **West,**	1728	Francis B. Ellis,	Edward D. Disbrow, *p.*	'92	'95	16	52	68	6	5	0	5	0	5	0	5	2	1
" Four Corners,	1854	Henry B. Barstow,	John Wild, *p.*	'92	'92	13	29	42	8	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	1
Hanson,	1748	Miss E. F. Thomas,	Charles S. Bates, *p.*	'90	'96	9	29	38	7	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
Hardwick,	1736	Rev. Harlan Page,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'91	11	35	46	3	2	2	4	1	2	0	3	2	0
" **Gilbertville,**	1867	Alfred H. Richardson,	Dwight C. Stone, *p. c.*	'88	'95	48	76	124	31	4	4	8	2	10	0	12	0	6
Harvard,	1821	Dea. J. W. Bacon,	Charles C. Torrey, *p.*	'55	'86	30	44	74	12	0	4	4	3	1	0	3	1	0
Harwich,	1747	Wm. H. Underwood,	George Y. Washburn,	'82	'97	6	30	36	7	4	1	5	0	1	0	1	3	0
" **Port,**	1855		Edward T. Ford, *p. c.*	'97	'97													
Hatfield,	1671	James Porter,	Robert M. Woods, *p. c.*	'77	'76	98	182	280	31	5	0	5	7	5	0	12	1	4
Haverhill, West,	1735	Edward Webster,	John N. Lowell, *p. c.*	'77	'80	56	85	141	36	2	0	2	3	3	0	6	0	3
" 4th,	1744	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	7	15	22	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
" Centre,	1833	Charles N. Dyer,	Calvin M. Clark, *p. c.*	'90	'93	118	319	437	35	7	13	20	5	9	0	14	4	10
" **North,**	1859	George C. Howe,	George H. Reed, *p. c. a*	'87	'91	150	356	506		4	4	8	10	1	1	12	0	0
" **Riverside**	1884	Arthur T. Brown,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	20	55	75	6	2	0	2	1	2	0	3	1	0
" **Union,**	1891	Charles A. Wentworth,	George Benedict, *p. c.*	'83	'92	25	68	93		4	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	2
" St. John's, *French,*	'93	Edward Thain,				7	6	13	1	1	5	6	0	5	1	6	0	0
Hawley	1778	Mrs. Florence Bissell,	John A. Pogue, *p. c.*	'96	'96	21	33	54	11	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
West,	1825	Willis Vincent,	Thomas S. Roble, *p.*	'59	'96	24	31	55	11	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Hingham,	1847	Mrs. Wm. A. Vining.				39	68	107	13	5	2	7	1	1	1	3	1	0
" **Bethany, Nantasket,**	1891	Miss N. A. Richardson,	Cecil Harper, *p.*	'79	'92	6	16	22	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	6
Hinsdale,	1795	James Hosmer,	James H. Laird, *p. c.*	'64	'83	73	126	199	61	4	2	6	7	16	0	23	3	4
Holbrook,	1856	Seth C. Sawyer,	Warren F. Low, *p. c.*	'94	'94	75	177	252	37	0	0	0	4	4	1	9	0	0

a Arthur S. Burrill, assist. p., '96, '97. Haydenville, see Williamsburg.

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Gloucester, L'v'le	J. H. Andrews,	165	81	120	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,025
" Magnolia,	Robert W. Boyde,	60	34	52	40	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	3	8	0	950
Goshen,	August D. Cordtsen,	58	35	30	20	4	0	0	10	0	0	0	35	49	0	750
Grafton,	William Loynd,	144	81	103	79	191	20	0	121	41	0	0	230	603	0	2,178
" Somerville,	William E. Fowler,	186	118	109	104	39	0	10	210	3	20	0	52	334	0	3,737
Granby,	A. L. Blackmer,	167	80	89	85	62	78	13	91	43	16	5	102	410	0	2,932
Granville, East,	Edward F. Roberts,	35	19	43	14	53	0	0	0	18	0	0	5	76	0	228
" West,	Frank L. Ives,	25	17	34	7	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	9	0	331
Great Barrington	Edward J. Van Lennep,	185	131	175	123	74	113	0	275	86	13	39	220	820	0	3,059
" Housatonic,	Thomas E. Brown,	225	155	125	75	232	70	15	205	69	27	9	260	887	0	2,200
Greenfield, 1st,	Charles W. Dinsmore,	90	48	74	25	20	0	0	77	10	11	0	7	125	100	1,363
" 2d,	George H. Kaulback,	289	211	400	106	231	62	62	640	165	77	54	299	1,590	0	4,100
Greenwich,	W. H. Glazier,	70	53	50	32	34	0	0	77	30	10	0	5	156	0	600
Groton,	Rev. Henry H. Gay,	112	61	110	30	318	274	0	364	649	50	0	20	1,675	0	1,934
Groveland,	Charles S. Huntress,	128	94	250	25	60	14	16	38	25	5	0	34	192	0	1,250
Hadley, 1st,	M. S. Pierce,	140	87	98	50	205	19	5	78	30	10	24	0	371	0	1,350
" 2d, North,	John W. Clark,	90	51	70	57	9	0	0	31	37	0	0	64	141	0	905
Halifax,	James T. Thomas,	40	25	70	53	18	0	0	10	0	5	0	0	33	0	400
Hamilton,	Joseph P. Lovering,	129	55	160	88	48	0	0	12	93	14	0	40	207	50	1,477
Hampden,	A. B. Newell,	50	26	50	10	40	0	0	3	5	4	0	0	52	0	1,187
Hanover, West,	James Richmond,	101	45	80	61	17	0	0	14	0	0	0	20	51	0	850
" Four Corners,	Israel Hatch,	56	34	50	27	44	3	1	12	9	2	2	10	83	0	633
Hanson,	Miss M. A. Carr,	102	39	125	76	46	5	9	22	7	5	4	26	124	0	781
Hardwick,	Frank W. Kimball,	53	32	80	27	5	0	0	5	0	4	0	20	34	0	1,000
" Gilbertville,	Elmer M. Marsh,	247	205	150	45	191	105	57	232	71	63	10	50	779	0	1,828
Harvard,	Dea. J. W. Bacon,	95	55	50	50	93	7	4	22	12	12	0	90	240	0	1,100
Harwich,	Cyrenus S. Hunt,	83	52	65	42	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	52	36	910
" Port,																
Hatfield,	Samuel F. Billings,	155	128	125	81	251	84	45	492	48	14	0	468	1,402	0	2,069
Haverhill, West,	Dea. F. A. Russell,	147	71	100	65	65	9	21	75	126	21	5	65	387	0	1,379
" 4th,	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	30	18	41	0	6	25	2	35	15	3	0	450	536	0	492
" Centre,	George W. W. Bartlett,	450	220	400	156	248	169	58	404	206	24	0	128	1,237	0	5,000
" North,	Edward G. Frothingham,	410	250	575		114	0	0	175	92	0	0	1,467	1,848	0	4,500
" Riverside,	A. W. Brown,	275	142	218	108	4	0	5	11	6	0	0	22	48	0	1,135
" Union,	Albert C. Brickett,	275	156	200	112	43	11	0	36	50	5	5	22	172	0	2,313
" St. John's, *Fr.*		28	18	6	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	70
Hawley,	Enos Harmon,	64	38	40	22	50	0	0	43	6	7	0	10	116	0	400
" West,	Clarence C. Fuller,	45	29	26	40	13	0	0	6	5	2	0	10	36	0	350
Hingham,	George E. Kimball,	134	72	85	133	31	10	0	6	0	15	0	79	141	0	1,500
" Bethany,	H. D. Beale,	40	30	40	0	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	6	0	600
Hinsdale,	Alden H. Peirce,	175	112	100	100	217	56	30	304	95	0	10	113	825	0	2,215
Holbrook,	Dea. Leonard Belcher,	h309	130	215	0	443	123	119	478	358	26	50	308	1,910	0	3,032

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Holden,	1742	Miss Nancy Perry,	Thomas E. Babb, *p.*	'69	'92	39	65	104	21	1	1	2	3	2	11	16	1	0
Holland,	1765	Mrs. W. L. Webber,	Josiah G. Willis, *p.*	'76	'96	7	25	32	16	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Holliston,	1728	Dea. Wm. Daniels,	Nicholas Vander Pyl, *p. c.*	'93	'95	79	193	272	48	1	3	4	3	7	0	10	1	0
Holyoke, 1st,	1799	John K. Judd,	George W. Winch, *p. c.*	'75	'88	83	169	252	17	13	11	24	4	3	0	7	11	6
" 2d,	1849	Jeremiah N. Hubbard,	Edward A. Reed, *p. c.*	'71	'86	285	634	919	117	33	24	57	13	21	20	54	14	38
" *French*,	1886	George Robert, M. D.,	Charles H. Vessot, *p.*	'92	'93	11	13	24	0	3	1	4	0	2	0	2	0	1
Hopkinton,	1724	Dea. J. C. Adams,	Theodore J. Holmes, *p. c.*	'59	'93	79	150	229	64	0	0	0	4	8	0	12	0	2
Hubbardston,	1770	Miss Lizzie N. Smart,				21	50	71	22	0	5	5	1	1	0	2	0	0
Hudson,	1889	Almon W. Aldrich,	Almon J. Rackliffe, *p.*	'82	'94	30	68	98	15	10	14	24	2	1	1	4	7	2
Huntington, 1st, **Norwich,**	1778	Dea. C. H. Kirkland,	Wilbur Rand, *p.*	'83	'95	27	43	70	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
" 2d,	1846	C. Winthrop Jones,	Webster L. Hendrick, *p.*	'89	'94	38	88	126	26	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	4
Hyde Park,	1863	Arthur H. Burt,				234	468	702	102	46	19	65	9	47	0	56	22	7
" **Clarendon Hills,**	1880	George Jeffers,				33	52	85	10	14	10	24	2	1	0	3	12	12
Ipswich, 1st,	1634	Dea. Geo. H. Cogswell,	Edward Constant, *p.*	'83	'92	30	113	143	15	3	0	3	3	0	0	3	2	4
" South,	1747	Joseph I. Horton,	T. Frank Waters, *p. c.*	'76	'79	27	123	150	24	1	1	2	5	5	0	10	0	0
" Linebrook,	1749	Dea. J. H. Tenney,	William P. Alcott, *p. c.*	'68	'86	26	28	54	9	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	0
Kingston,	1828	Mrs. E. R. Laporte,	Zenas Crowell, *p. c.*	'77	'86	18	62	80	20	2	0	2	1	0	1	2	1	0
Lakeville,	1725	Dea. Charles F. Paull,	Hiram E. Johnson, *p.*	'59	'96	39	36	75	18	2	3	5	1	2	0	3	2	0
" Union Grove,	1877		Leslie B. Withee, *p.*	'89	'96	1	4	5	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Lancaster,	1839	Horatio Bailey,	Charles S. Haynes, *p. c.*	'94	'96	41	66	107	28	0	2	2	1	8	0	9	0	0
Lanesboro',	1764	Dea. Wm. A. Fuller,*a*	[George W. Love, *Meth.*]		'95	3	9	12	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lawrence, Lawrence st.,	1847	Albert I. Couch,	William E. Wolcott, *p. c.*	'81	'85	127	289	416	100	0	0	0	6	6	0	12	0	0
" South,	1868	John H. Gilman,	Edward A. Chase, *p. c.*	'84	'89	45	100	145	38	6	7	13	2	0	0	2	1	0
" Riverside,	1878	John W. Mozeen,	Henry E. Oxnard, *p. c.*	'94	'96	32	84	116	25	11	1	12	1	5	0	6	5	9
" Trinity,	1883	Edwin Fletcher,	Frederick H. Page, *p. c.*	'93	'96	122	281	403	62	6	10	16	5	8	0	13	4	3
" United,	1886	Christopher Warburton				27	64	91	7	1	10	11	1	0	12	13	0	2
Lee,	1780	Dea. Chas. H. Sabin,	Lyman S. Rowland, *p. c.*	'64	'77	159	282	441	90	9	10	19	8	8	0	16	8	12
Leicester,	1719	J. C. Watson,	David C. Reid, *p. c.*	'84	'94	79	129	208	42	1	2	3	3	3	0	6	0	0
Lenox,	1769	Dea. Henry Sedgwick,	Edward Day, *p. c.*	'86	'90	59	96	155	30	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	0	1
Leominster,	1822	Chas. E. Woodward,	George R. W. Scott, *p.*	'68	'93	154	317	471	57	14	21	35	7	7	0	14	13	4
" North,	1874	Mrs. Emma G. Hall,	James M. Bell, *p.*	'58	'93	17	47	64	4	5	2	7	0	0	11	11	5	0
Leverett,	1774	Cephas F. Frary,				62	71	133	38	5	1	6	1	3	2	6	1	1
" Moore's Corner,	1896	Miss E. Dutcher, N. Lev.	[John C. Wightman, *Lic.*]		'95	12	16	28	1	26	2	28	0	0	0	0	26	0
Lexington,	1868	Edmund C. Whitney,	Charles F. Carter, *p. c.*	'83	'96	67	130	197	40	2	4	6	2	2	0	4	1	2
Lincoln,	1747	George L. Chapin,	Edward E. Bradley, *p. c*	'93	'93	30	49	79	21	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	3
Littleton,	1840	John W. Thacher,	Amelia A. Frost, *p. c.*	'94	'95	39	69	108	19	5	6	11	1	3	0	4	4	0
Longmeadow,	1716	Edward P. Tabor,	Stephen G. Barnes, *p. c.*	'81	'91	44	122	166	24	5	5	10	6	2	0	8	1	3
Lowell, Pawtucket,	1797	Dea. John J. Colton,	Willis D. Leland, *p. c.*	'80	'93	48	107	155	19	4	8	12	1	4	0	5	1	4
" 1st,	1826	Dea. Andrew Liddell,	[Samuel M. Dick, *Meth.*]	'96	'96	229	651	880	200	5	2	7	13	19	0	32	4	9
" Eliot,	1830	Frank W. Corey,	John M. Greene, *p. c.*	'57	'70	116	300	416	83	21	6	27	11	4	18	33	10	2

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Holden,		Frank J. Knowlton,	133	68	130	55	53	10	8	21	15	8	0	4	119	0				1,609
Holland,		Freeman B. Blodgett,	45	25	31	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	16	0				300
Holliston,		George E. W. Brooks,	207	134	220	60	210	15	14	154	53	30	0	1	602	0				3,309
Holyoke, 1st,		Roland T. Oakes,	495	299	330	120	293	75	34	406	154	68	235	1,2	2,952	0				5,320
" 2d,		Alfred H. Morton,	961	603	540	157	1,719	229	13,877	3,988	219	54	52	18,557	38,695	0				10,459
" French,		Rev. C. H. Vessot,	20	15	28	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	10	30	0				25
Hopkinton,		A. G. Brewer,	248	160	160	78	208	63	44	161	68	37	35	0	616	0				2,508
Hubbardston,		H. F. Burdon,	63	34	44	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Hudson,		Milton T. Bailey,	176	103	81	0	0	5	0	5	5	3	0	25	43	0				
Huntington, 1st,		James B. Lyman,	70	44	40	25	14	0	0	0	29	3	0	0	46	12				350
" 2d,		Dwight Stowell,	130	50	70	30	19	0	0	16	12	0	0	20	67	0				1,050
Hyde Park,		Dr. Joseph K. Knight,	926	462	550	239	1,003	313	299	1,041	256	145	56	1,720	4,833	0				10,059
" Cl. Hills,		Henry L. Johnson,	259	130	125	84	10	20	0	61	90	11	0	45	237	0				1,094
Ipswich, 1st,		Rev. E. Constant,	150	81	150	85	160	32	10	191	116	31	0	40	580	0				
" South,		Frank T. Goodhue,	165	86		64	429	35	35	152	150	25	10	266	1,102	0				1,852
" Linebrook,		Albert F. Tenney,	45	30	35	25	57	0	0	23	13	4	0	65	162	0				550
Kingston,		F. B. McLauthlin,	92	50	78	40	160	20	15	39	26	35	5	0	300	0				1,500
Lakeville,		Thomas P. Paull,	80	43	65	18	87	0	0	61	7	8	0	0	163	0				900
" Un. Grove,			14	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				1,015
Lancaster,		William H. Sargent,	96	48	96	26	1,164	22	27	80	147	28	0	13	1,481	0				1,529
Lanesboro',		Lillian Reed,	m42	32	26	16	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0				350
Lawrence,		Lonzo S. Crosby,	370	200	350	125	116	15	15	1,155	160	40	110	100	1,711	0				4,500
" South,		Herbert B. Merrick,	250	140	185	35	6	7	0	0	8	0	0	18	39	0				11,675
" Riverside,		Rev. Henry E. Oxnard,	186	130	54	37	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	9	0				1,220
" Trinity,		George L. Selden,	359	241	300	60	147	25	28	240	38	12	0	355	845	0				5,370
" United,		George W. Murray,	135	100	41	60	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	0				1,729
Lee,		Edward S. Rogers,	245	161	200	130	1,089	85	40	712	371	100	907	0	3,304	0				3,245
Leicester,		Corwin F. Palmer,	160	88		72	215	125	18	501	188	25	15	18	1,105	0				2,876
Lenox,		Henry Sedgwick,	125	82	78	78	216	48	15	207	250	0	0	50	786	0				3,100
Leominster,		Walter N. Howe,	400	263	275	169	534	8	48	584	119	122	0	284	1,699	0				4,699
" North,		Emory F. Burrage,	138	77	75	35	71	6	20	36	58	0	10	40	241	0				1,700
Leverett,		C. Hall Beaman,	145	78	80	30	24	0	1	42	71	0	0	0	138	23				440
" Moore's Cor.		Francis S. Colton, N. Leverett,	51	40	55	0	1	0	2	7	1	1	0	0	12	0				270
Lexington,		Frederick L. Emery,	182	117	130	90	275	125	50	258	140	0	0	0	848	0				4,756
Lincoln,		George L. Chapin,	65	40	80	37	309	0	0	79	184	10	0	20	602	0				1,500
Littleton,		George W. Canney,	100	55	56	44	25	12	6	44	26	9	4	400	526	0				1,300
Longmeadow,		Frank B. Allen,	163	89	104	53	354	43	34	142	71	28	19	296	987	0				2,363
Lowell, Pt.,		Charles F. Miles,	235	142	150	132	27	0	16	278	42	12	0	182	557	400				1,860
" 1st,		Justin H. Kimball,	288	186	200	118	16	0	0	38	50	0	0	96	200	0				3,328

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Lowell, John st.,	1839	**Wm. H. G. Wight,**	George H. Johnson, *p. c.*	'77	'92	65	150	215	36	2	1	3	8	3	0	11	1	1
" Kirk st.,	1845	**Albert L. Thompson,**	William A. Bartlett, *p. c.*,	'86	'96	148	372	520	150	34	21	55	5	1	0	6	13	4
" High st.,	1846	**Francis N. Chase,**	Chas. W. Huntington, *p. c.*	'81	'88	70	164	234	44	6	5	11	6	7	0	13	1	1
" *French*,	1877	**Auguste Sarre,**	Thomas G. A. Coté, *p.*	'71	'95	51	58	109	12	21	1	22	1	1	4	6	16	10
" Highland,	1884	**Willard Everett,**	Charles L. Merriam, *p. c.*	'82	'91	88	225	313	44	6	7	13	3	4	0	7	4	1
" *Swed.*,	1885	**Alfred Swanson,**	Andrew P. Nelson,	'94	'97	21	50	71	38	8	1	9	1	10	2	13	0	0
Ludlow, Centre,	1789	**Rev. E. D. Francis,**	Everett D. Francis, *p. c.*	'95	'95	45	85	130	25	6	6	12	2	4	2	8	5	3
" Union,	1867	**Albert A. Gove,**				30	79	109	16	2	2	2	1	4	0	5	0	8
Lunenburg,	1835	**Edmund S. Francis,**	David Wallace,	'94	'97	25	65	90	23	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
Lynn, 1st,	1632	**Guilford S. Newhall,**	William C. Merrill, *p.*	'84	'96	66	158	224	20	12	13	25	3	13	71	87	7	3
" Central,	1850	**Edward A. Perkins,**	Albert W. Moore, *p. c.*	'73	'82	104	240	344	68	7	9	16	2	6	5	13	1	2
" Chestnut st.,	1860	**George E. Sargent,**	George W. Osgood, *p.*	'78	'94	38	139	177	51	4	9	13	1	4	0	5	3	0
" North,	1869	**R. Y. Russell,**	Willis A. Hadley, *p. c.*	'78	'93	72	183	255	57	8	3	11	2	10	0	12	3	1
" *Swed.*,	1888	**A. R. Bohlinder,**	John A. Johnson, *p.*	'92	'88	29	49	78		5	1	6	1	3	0	4	0	17
Lynnfield, Centre,	1720	**Charles E. Pearson,**	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'95	21	57	78	18	0	9	9	1	0	0	1	0	0
" 2d,	1854	**Rev. Geo. E. Freeman,**	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'95	5	29	34	9	6	0	6	1	1	0	2	4	0
Malden,	1648	**Frederic I. Winslow,**	Henry H. French, *p. c. a*	'81	'94	235	454	689	84	47	36	83	9	7	1	17	23	6
" Maplewood,	1874	**Frank P. Dunlop,**	Walter A. Evans, *p.*	'86	'94	54	117	171	30	10	9	19	3	2	0	5	1	5
" **Linden,**	1876	**Chas. W. Peckham,**	J. Chris. Williams, *p.*	'90	'95	20	57	77	11	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	0	3
Manchester,	1716	**George F. Allen,**	Francis A. Fate, *p. c.*	'94	'94	27	101	128	20	4	5	9	5	0	0	5	3	1
Mansfield,	1838	**David E. Harding,**	Jacob Ide, *p. c.*	'56	'56	86	184	270	40	3	2	5	2	1	0	3	0	1
Marblehead,	1684	**Daniel Appleton,**	S. Linton Bell, *p. c.*	'77	'84	49	184	233	29	1	1	2	5	1	0	6	0	3
Marion,	1703	**Rev. H. L. Brickett,**	Harry L. Brickett, *p. c.*	'83	'94	21	60	81	7	0	3	3	3	0	0	3	0	0
Marlboro',	1666	**Charles F. Robinson,**	Lincoln B. Goodrich, *p. c.*	'93	'96	115	251	366	42	7	10	17	8	5	1	14	5	4
" *French*,	1891	**Rev. J. L. Loiselle,**	Joseph L. Loiselle, *p.*	'95	'95	10	17	27	6	6	0	6	0	5	0	5	0	0
Marshfield, 1st,	1632	**Dea. John H. Bourne,**	{ Ebenezer Alden, *p. c. em.* { Fred'ic W. Manning, *p. c.*	'43 '91	'50 '91	35	63	98	19	6	3	9	1	0	0	1	6	0
" **Hills,**	1835	**Israel H. Hatch,**				11	30	41	7	1	0	1	2	2	0	4	1	0
Mattapoisett,	1736	**L. L. B. Dexter,**	Robert Humphrey, *p.*	'83	'96	16	63	79	25	0	1	1	3	2	0	5	0	1
Maynard,	1852	**John W. Flood,**	Merrill Blanchard, *p.*	'81	'91	56	152	208	64	4	0	4	0	8	0	8	3	0
Medfield,	1828	**Dea. Francis S. Wight,**	Leroy M. Pierce,	'70	'97	28	96	124	44	1	3	4	6	5	0	11	1	3
Medford, Mystic,	1847	**Nathaniel A. Dyer,**	John Barstow, *p. c.*	'87	'94	140	304	444	58	35	15	50	6	4	0	10	20	4
" **West,**	1872	**Henry Newcomb,**	Judson Van Clancy, *p. c.*	'87	'96	69	149	218	44	5	8	13	6	9	0	15	3	2
" Union,	1887	**James Donovan,**	Isaac Pierson, *p. c.*	'70	'95	22	36	58	0	6	11	17	1	1	0	2	2	3
Medway, West,	1750	**Eugene Wilmarth,**	John F. Crosby, *p.*	'92	'94	58	116	174	29	6	3	9	3	5	0	8	6	0
" Village,	1838	**Rev. R. K. Harlow,**	Rufus K. Harlow, *p. c.*	'68	'72	58	143	201	42	1	7	8	4	8	0	12	0	0
" 3d, **West,**	1886	**Asa M. B. Fuller,**				8	23	31	2	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0
Melrose,	1848	**Isaac A. Cochran,**	Thomas Sims, *p.*	'75	'97	163	302	465	48	33	22	55	5	5	0	10	14	13
" **Highlands,**	1875	**Henry Chisholm,**	Burke F. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'93	91	197	288		24	13	37	1	7	0	8	12	5
Merrimac,	1726	**Richard A. Sargent,**	George L. Todd, *p. c.*	'87	'92	136	248	384		14	8	22	5	3	1	9	7	5

a Calvin G. Hill, '72 '91, church missionary.

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Lowell, John st.,	William H. G. Wight,	175	84	175	73	81	0	10	81	0	0	13	188	373	0	3 499
" Kirk st.,	Louis Alexander,	400	181	350	81	420	270	70	1,270	100	18	0	5,337	7.485	0	12,611
" High st.,	Francis N. Chase,	331	155	225	64	413	83	86	1,026	156	46	21	1,516	3,347	0	4,783
" *French*,	Emile Paignon,	50	40	50	0	0	0	0	60	0	0	0	50	110	0	300
" Highl'd,	William T. Dole,	491	239	350	220	430	10	26	385	127	55	67	30	1,130	0	5.475
" *Swed.*,	Edward Anderson,	40	30	20	33	0	0	5	7	0	4	0	40	56	0	900
Ludlow, Centre,	F. E. Sikes,	161	83	70	0	64	9	0	0	92	6	0	14	185	0	1,000
" Union,	Mrs. L. E. Booth,	150	94	112	60	150	17	0	30	13	5	0	35	250	0	1,400
Lunenburg,	Norman G. Bigelow,	75	52	73	0	5	2	5	5	10	2	0	0	29	0	860
Lynn, 1st,	J. J. McKenzie,	368	210	150	130	48	18	23	40	37	12	0	811	989	0	4,396
" Central,	Henry P. Emerson,	694	283	200	223	125	26	0	401	75	0	0	1,840	2,467	0	
" Chestnut st.,	J. Sidney Stone,	200	122	139	67	66	1	303	147	2	8	2	225	754	0	2,050
" North,	Arthur W. Webber,	224	149	125	110	97	30	0	35	34	8	0	246	450	0	3,705
" *Swed.*,	J. A. Lindberg,	46	30	95	38	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	11	0	868
Lynnfield, Cen.,	Charles E. Pearson,	89	56	68	33	49	0	10	30	55	0	0	22	166	0	1,150
" 2d,	Mrs. Ira Ramdells,	119	62	65	28	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	8	18	0	334
Malden,	Dea. Clarence O. Walker,	1,005	520	775	413	467	48	48	559	301	89	462	408	2,382	0	8,660
" Maplewood,	Frederick J. Smith,	351	177	175	90	58	0	0	50	0	0	0	199	307	0	2,482
" Linden,	Charles W. Peckham,	127	82	86	58	57	0	0	61	0	0	0	11	129	0	1,587
Manchester,	Oliver T. Roberts,	196	108	150	120	135	28	0	110	109	0	0	0	382	0	2,453
Mansfield,	David E. Harding,	300	200	156	155	54	10	10	174	99	7	0	164	518	0	1,650
Marblehead,	John G. Broughton,	325	182	210	102	103	6	38	66	17	3	10	578	821	0	2,993
Marion,	Stephen D. Hadley,	158	70	110	45	115	39	5	146	51	44	20	46	466	0	2,100
Marlboro',	Elmer D. Howe,	319	193	300	136	281	48	20	241	188	60	20	226	1,084	0	3,510
" *French*,	E. A. Cutter,	53	32	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	110
Marshfield, 1st,	J. Fletcher Barnes,	96	58		40	130	0	0	126	68	25	0	25	374	0	2,175
" Hills,	Miss Agnes Sherman,	52	25	40	40	4	0	0	9	0	14	0	0	27	0	900
Mattapoisett,	Frank B. Tuttle,	75	50	110	40	11	11	10	208	10	10	15	15	290	0	1,100
Maynard,	William H. Gutteridge,	282	185	200	120	250	202	100	240	100	0	0	215	1,107	0	1,915
Medfield,	Mrs. Annie L. Stimson,	67	45	85	42	83	0	5	47	13	35	0	15	198	0	1,155
Medford, Mystic,	George F. Chapin,	480	262	369	186	534	142	45	601	482	56	167	250	2,277	0	7,126
" West,	Henry M. Clapp,	295	179	150	108	267	7	14	127	87	12	0	209	723	0	3,221
" Union,	Cassius A. Van Winkle,	185	74	100	70	14	0	9	9	46	8	0	58	144	0	1,361
Medway, West,	Mrs. George Hixon,	197	88	280	55	60	2	4	12	0	5	0	220	303	0	1.500
" Village,	Charles K. Adams,	118	67	130	33	99	25	18	102	225	15	0	114	598	0	2,158
" 3d, West,	N. T. Davenport,	0	0	0	0	69	0	0	23	128	0	0	0	220	0	0
Melrose,	Don E. Curtis,	502	338	295	145	514	80	99	151	157	63	66	466	1,596	0	4,900
" Highlands,	William W. Mason,	483	277	250	152	159	13	32	99	72	0	12	605	992	0	7,581
Merrimac,	Edward F. Smart,	338	154	231	174	153	3	17	199	15	14	8	54	463	0	4,443

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Methuen,	1729	Chas. H. T. Mann,	Charles H. Oliphant, *p. c.*	'76	'84	85	173	258	35	3	7	10	4	3	0	7	1	4
Middleboro', 1st,	1694	A. H. Soule,	George W. Stearns, *p.*	'83	'91	56	104	160	23	1	2	3	2	1	0	3	1	0
" North,	1748	Percy W. Keith,	Herbert K. Job, *p. c.*	'91	'91	46	84	130	33	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	1	0
" Central,	1847	Henry W. Sears,	Rich'd G. Woodbridge, *p.c.*	'81	'93	102	228	330	44	14	7	21	4	4	15	23	6	0
Middlefield,	1783	Dea. J. McElwain,	Herbert A. Yountz, *p.*	'97	'96	29	52	81	30	0	1	1	1	5	3	9	0	0
Middleton,	1729	Miss H. M. Thompson,	Warren P. Landers, *p. c.*	'91	'91	30	70	100	10	0	0	0	4	5	0	9	0	1
Milford,	1741	W. S. Wood,	Webster Woodbury, *p. c.*	'68	'88	66	219	285	60	12	8	20	5	9	0	14	5	2
Millbury,	1747	Henry L. Bancroft,	George A. Putnam, *p. c.*	'60	'72	43	147	190	46	6	2	8	2	5	0	7	3	2
" 2d,	1827	Ira N. Goddard,	George P. Eastman, *p. c.*	'91	'91	53	140	193	33	0	7	7	5	7	13	25	0	5
Millis,	1714	J. W. Clarke, **Rockville,**	Albert H. Wheelock, *p.*	'88	'93	28	78	106	28	1	0	1	2	0	2	4	1	5
Milton,	1678	A. H. Fuller, **Blue Hill,**	Henry S. Huntington, *p.*	'66	'88	35	61	96	15	10	4	14	3	1	0	4	4	3
" East,	1843	Frank Kemp,	Albert S. Gilbert, *p.*	'97	'96	7	22	29	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	2
Monson,	1762	Mrs. C. C. Keep,	Franklin S. Hatch, *p. c.*	'76	'87	68	154	222	40	4	2	6	1	3	9	13	4	2
Montague,	1752	Sanford Marsh,	Martin L. Richardson, *p.*	'60	'91	42	92	134	20	0	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	0
" Miller's Falls,	1872	Mrs. Mary A. King,	Dorr A. Hudson, *p.*		'91	12	42	54	12	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Turner's Falls,	1875	Frank N. Conant,			'93	27	55	82	12	2	0	2	2	2	0	4	2	1
Monterey,	1750	Miss J. A. Townsend,				39	73	112	34	7	4	11	1	2	0	3	4	4
Mt. Washington,	1874	Dea. H. D. Lamson,				2	9	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nantucket,	1728	Miss Lydia M. Folger,	Myron S. Dudley, *p.*	'71	'89	11	112	123		5	0	5	6	1	0	7	1	0
Natick,	1802	Dea. G. L. Bartlett,	Frederick E. Sturgis, *p. c.*	'68	'84	203	487	690	75	8	14	22	3	10	1	14	4	3
" South,	1859	Miss A. M. Caswell,	Irving A. Burnap, *p.*	'92	'97	26	46	72	13	5	3	8	0	0	0	0	5	0
Needham,	1857	Joseph Willett,	Avery S. Walker, *p. c.*	'57	'95	75	149	224	28	61	19	80	1	9	0	10	35	12
New Bedford, **Acushnet,**	1696	Fred B. Hawes,	George W. C. Hill, *p. c.*	'95	'95	18	44	62	12	6	3	9	1	0	0	1	6	0
" North,	1807	Rev. John C. Staples,	John A. MacColl, *p. c.*	'83	'90	138	379	517	49	6	8	14	9	5	0	14	6	4
" Trinitarian,	1831	James C. Briggs,	Matthew C. Julien, *p. c.*	'72	'72	77	161	238	31	3	23	26	6	0	0	6	3	0
New Braintree,	1754	Dea. George K. Tufts,	Francis H. Boynton, *p.*	'64	'95	17	38	55	19	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	1
Newbury,	1635	Dea. John C. Rolfe,	Charles S. Holton,	'92	'97	37	96	133	12	0	2	2	2	1	4	7	0	0
" Byfield,	1706	Joseph N. Dummer,	David C. Torrey, *p. c.*	'92	'92	45	82	127	27	0	6	6	2	3	0	5	0	0
Newburyport, North,	1768	John T. Lunt,	Charles P. Mills, *p. c.*	'80	'80	117	289	406	65	8	7	15	10	6	0	16	4	6
" Prospect st.,	1793	Charles R. Todd,	Myron O. Patton, *p. c.*	'94	'95	61	173	234	39	12	4	16	4	1	1	6	4	4
" Belleville,	1808	Charles A. Currier,	Daniel T. Fiske, *p. c.* / Albert W. Hitchcock, *p.c.*	'47 / '91	'47 / '91	108	233	341	50	9	2	11	9	4	0	13	5	0
" Whitefield,	1850	Porter S. Shattuck,	John H. Reid, *p.*	'90	'92	61	162	223	40	5	6	11	0	4	0	4	5	2
New Marlboro', 1st,	1744	Rev. A. W. Field,	Aaron W. Field, *p.*	'72	'90	6	14	20	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
" Southfield,	1794	Howard A. Cook,	Aaron W. Field, *p.*	'72	'94	13	26	39	5	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Mill River,	1871	Dea. E. W. Rhodes,				19	31	50	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
New Salem,	1845	Mrs. H. S. Herrick, *a*	Albert V. House, *p.*	'94	'94	32	41	73	36	9	1	10	0	0	0	0	9	0
Newton 1st, **Centre,**	1664	T. Irving Crowell,	Dan'l L. Furber, *p.c. em.* / Edward M. Noyes, *p.c.*	'47 / '83	'47 / '94	148	243	391	50	12	18	30	3	7	1	11	8	7
" 2d, **West,**	1781	Julius L. Clarke,	Henry J. Patrick, *p.c. em.* / Theo. P. Prudden, *p. c.*	'54 / '74	'60 / '94	99	250	349	33	9	14	23	9	19	0	28	4	3
" Eliot,	1845	George Agry, jr.,	William H. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'96	219	376	595	52	3	16	19	4	8	40	52	1	3

a North N. S. Mittineague, *see* West Springfield. Neponset, *see* Boston. New Boston, *see* Sandisfield.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Methuen,	J. Frank Emerson,	220	120	175	32	353	102	16	20	19	19	7	225	761	0	3,000
Middleboro',	A. H. Soule,	m182	64	130	54	144	10	30	80	16	41	7	65	393	0	1,250
" North,	N. W. Keith,	120	62	100	65	41	31	0	160	38	31	0	12	313	0	1,500
" Central,	Alonzo F. Ryder,	274	176	350	80	270	45	39	320	55	0	28	241	998	0	6,999
Middlefield,	Henry B. Holmes,	72	45	55	31	50	0	0	0	20	8	0	0	78	0	850
Middleton,	H. Erskine Howe,	130	60	95	93	44	6	2	72	15	10	0	12	161	0	1,231
Milford,	M. B. Whiting,	397	191	297	90	354	41	38	171	326	46	0	1,413	2,389	0	4,500
Millbury,	D. Edmond March,	127	100	109	60	207	55	25	76	89	155	0	92	699	0	2,170
" 2d,	George F. Chase,	200	125	145	48	374	96	26	285	138	12	0	971	1,902	0	2,409
Millis,	Evan F. Richardson,	117	65	135	50	38	4	0	16	12	5	0	15	90	0	2,000
Milton,	Herbert B. Tucker,	156	70	106	50	137	45	0	36	93	47	0	26	384	0	1,473
" East,	Frank Kemp,	84	60	100	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	15	0	1,000
Monson,	Edward F. Morris,	240	150	220	98	639	152	597	423	294	41	20	66	2,232	0	3,200
Montague,	Wilfred Raymond,	130	79	125	47	82	28	39	94	35	25	0	100	403	0	1,220
" Miller's F'ls,	Charles H. Hull,	100	72	125	40	3	0	4	4	2	1	0	9	23	0	4,400
" Turner's F'ls,	Elmer D. Severance,	197	135	150	50	53	11	37	163	35	19	0	52	370	0	2,100
Monterey,	M. V. Thomson,	125	75		50	0	0	0	14	12	0	0	0	26	0	
Mt. Washington,		0	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Nantucket,		146		140	30	16	0	0	5	20	0	0	23	64	0	1,500
Natick,	F. M. Forbush,	689	404	500	182	415	431	50	438	50	20	0	1,487	2,891	0	5,990
" South,	M. V. B. Bartlett,	72	44	47	31	16	2	2	16	0	0	0	0	36	0	1,074
Needham,	Joseph H. Adams,	178	106	113	114	0	0	0	70	0	16	0	17	103	0	1,460
New Bedford,	Rev. G. W. C. Hill,	126	51	115	90	18	0	0	17	0	0	0	13	48	0	1,850
" North,	David A. Corey,	405	263	378	108	875	199	0	503	220	0	35	517	2,349	0	6,049
" Trin.,	F. A. Milliken,	400	250	300	75	133	13	0	1,407	18	21	0	709	2,301	0	6,849
New Braintree,	Dea. Horatio Moore,	57	24	67	31	14	0	0	20	0	6	0	7	47	0	950
Newbury,	William T. Humphreys,	166	101	190	66	50	31	18	278	63	0	0	72	512	0	2,400
" Byfield,	Joseph N. Dummer,	140	90	125	65	40	24	0	12	12	22	0	0	110	0	1,000
Newburyport, N.	John H. Balch, jr.,	295	153	255	95	165	16	14	360	189	13	12	334	1,103	0	3,000
" Prospect st.,	Charles A. Bliss,	227	110	200	50	155	9	6	239	109	16	8	243	785	0	2,675
" Belleville,	Joseph G. Crockett,	540	369	442	141	508	66	43	524	104	30	0	400	1,675	1,000	4,200
" Whitefield,	Dea. Henry B. Packard,	121	85	150	60	45	3	0	33	33	4	0	48	166	0	2,116
New Marlboro',						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	145
" Southfield,	Charles E. Ellis,	34	25	20	25	10	0	0	0	4	3	0	10	27	0	400
" Mill River,	E. W. Rhodes,	45	30	60	40	25	4	0	20	0	0	7	0	56	0	450
New Salem,	Daniel Ballard, **Millington,**	85	33	85	25	11	0	0	14	8	0	0	13	46	0	825
Newton, 1st, Cen.	Charles E. Kelsey,	272	161	240	155	2,575	715	375	2,005	906	264	113	541	7,494	0	6,500
" 2d, West,	Henry L. Whittlesey,	274	191	217	69	623	104	21	1,778	330	48	0	2,127	5,031	0	6,581
" Eliot,	Andrew B. Cobb,	374	264	350	123	5,798	476	299	8,555	1,330	228	167	2,948	19,801	0	14,332

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Newton, **Auburndale,**	1850	Henry G. Hildreth,	Calvin Cutler, *p. c. em.* / Chas. M. Southgate, *p. c.*	'62 / '70	'67 / '95	131	230	361	64	12	23	35	3	9	0	12	0	6
" North,	1866	Charles A. Worth,	Daniel Greene, *p. c.*	'79	'92	60	112	172	74	7	0	7	1	5	0	6	4	6
" **Newtonville,**	1868	Wallace C. Boyden,	John M. Dutton, *p. c.*	'76	'92	106	224	330	48	11	26	37	5	1	13	19	11	3
" **Highlands,**	1872	William B. Wood,	Charles E. Havens, *p. c.*	'81	'93	74	147	221	46	5	5	10	6	2	0	8	3	0
Norfolk,	1839	Rev. Franklin C. Jones,	Edson J. Moore, *p.*	'61	'85	17	36	53	8	0	4	4	0	6	0	6	0	1
North Adams,	1827	Edwin Barnard,	William L. Tenney, *p. c.*	'88	'95	238	379	617	75	24	20	44	10	12	42	64	5	11
Northampton, 1st,	1661	William G. Bassett,	Henry T. Rose, *p. c.*	'70	'92	107	358	465	30	4	6	10	10	6	0	16	3	0
" Edwards,	1833	Dea. S. E. Bridgman,	Paul Van Dyke, *p. c.*	'87	'92	123	312	435	90	6	11	17	8	9	0	17	1	25
" **Florence,**	1861	Dea. E. H. Barnard,	Elisha G. Cobb, *p. c.*	'60	'66	97	241	338	50	1	2	3	4	16	0	20	1	2
North Andover,	1834	Daniel W. Carney,	Henry E. Barnes, *p. c.*	'62	'93	100	188	288	88	30	11	41	3	10	0	13	6	14
North Attleboro', Oldtown,	1712	Miss Mary A. Mathias,	John Whitehill, *p.*	'61	'69	22	44	66	16	1	1	2	1	1	0	2	1	**0**
" **A. Falls,**	1874	Miss Ada M. Perry,	Martin L. Williston,	'76	'97	23	64	87	12	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
" Trinity,	1892	D. Sanford Hall,	Charles A. Ratcliffe, *p.*	'91	'96	23	68	91	10	9	9	18	0	6	0	6	8	1
Northboro',	1832	Miss E. V. Yates,	Albert D. Smith, *p. c.*	'88	'96	27	76	103	28	0	2	2	3	6	0	9	0	1
Northbridge **Centre,**	1782	Joshua W. Morse,	James H. Childs, *p.*	'75	'84	26	59	85	19	2	0	2	2	3	0	5	2	2
" **Whitinsville,**	1834	William J. Love,	John R. Thurston, *p. c.*	'59	'71	79	164	243	46	11	9	20	4	2	0	6	7	14
" Rockdale,	1879	Mrs. H. T. Whitin,	[Ernest M. Bartlett, *Lic.*]		'97	11	15	26	3	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	1
North Brookfield, 1st,	1752	Dea. A. J. Goddard,	John L. Sewall, *p. c.*	'82	'96	118	259	377	71	6	8	14	7	11	0	18	5	5
" Union,	1854	Dea. James Miller,	Joseph J. Spencer, *p. c.*	'91	'91	32	85	117	16	4	4	8	3	7	1	11	0	2
Northfield, **East,**	1825	Miss Mary T. Dutton,	Cyrus I. Scofield, *p.*	'83	'96	145	222	367	135	25	16	41	4	33	2	39	13	2
North Reading,	1720	Dea. I. Arthur Flint,	Eugene E. Colburn, *p.*	'75	'96	30	64	94	16	4	1	5	0	8	0	8	3	0
Norton,	1832	N. S. Howard,	Vernon C. Harrington, *p. c.*	'94	'97	19	46	65	12	3	0	3	2	7	8	17	3	0
Norwood,	1736	Herbert M. Plimpton,	Charles F. Weeden, *p. c.*	'88	'95	86	146	232	28	5	36	41	4	4	0	8	0	6
Oakham,	1767	Dea. Jesse Allen,	Solomon P. Fay, *p.*	'49	'95	33	81	114	27	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	1	0
Orange, **North,**	1843	Rev. J. H. Garman,	George W. Judson, *p.*	'87	'91	7	17	24	4	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
" Central,	1846	F. D. Kellogg,	George W. Judson, *p. c.*	'87	'87	103	185	288	26	8	8	16	2	7	0	9	8	0
" *Swedish,*	1891	Gustaf Blanquist,	John M. Henrikson, *p.*	'96	'96	40	47	87	3	25	7	32	0	1	0	1	0	6
Orleans,	1646	Dea. J. Higgins,	E. Irving Rackett, *p. c.*	'94	'93	32	110	142		17	4	21	1	1	0	2	13	7
Otis,	1779	Mrs. Mary J. Somes,				16	34	50	18	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Oxford,	1721	Mrs. Emily J. Pratt,	Albert E. Bradstreet, *p.*	'88	'94	38	118	156	31	12	3	15	5	0	3	8	11	0
Palmer, **Thorndike,**	1730	Charles G. Smith,	George M. Gerrish, *p.*	'94	'95	25	48	73	16	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	1
" 2d,	1847	O. P. Allen,	Frank E. Jenkins, *p. c.*	'81	'93	68	142	210	29	3	4	7	5	8	0	13	1	5
" **Three Rivers,**	1876	Sullivan B. Barnes,	Gardner S. Butler, *p.*	'77	'92	94	108	202	60	7	8	15	1	17	2	20	2	3
Paxton,	1767	Dea. Chas. A. Streeter,				27	70	97	23	7	1	8	1	0	0	1	7	0
Peabody, South,	1713	Peter J. Frye,	George A. Hall, *p. c.*	'86	'86	88	229	317	56	4	5	9	9	14	0	23	2	3
" 2d,	1874	Miss E. J. Williams,				24	67	91	10	8	2	10	6	0	0	6	8	2
" West,	1891	Frank K. McIntire,	James A. Anderson, *p.*	'89	'95	15	30	45	8	0	5	5	1	0	0	1	0	0
Pelham,	1837	Mrs. Lucy Tillson,	[Loring B. Chase,]		'96	4	8	12	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" Packardville, **Enfield,**	'69	Darius O. Chickering,	[Loring B. Chase,]		'96	13	20	33	3	0	0	0	1	4	2	7	0	0
Pepperell,	1747	J. W. Pierce,	Richard H. Kennedy, *p.*	'92	'95	82	167	249	48	1	5	6	7	3	0	10	1	0

Packardville *see* Pelham. Pawtucket *see* Lowell. Pigeon Cove, *see* Rockport.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. Bd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Newton, Au'dale,	J. Franklin Ryder,	359	196	200	122	3,782	429	196	2,450	809	81	69	241	8,057	0	6,521
" North,	Reuben Forknall,	200	130	80	48	3	0	0	4	4	0	0	50	61	0	1,800
" Newtonville,	Wallace C. Boyden,	338	234	270	100	728	152	83	829	278	56	59	333	2,518	0	11,500
" Highlands,	Seward W. Jones,	291	141	181	76	662	60	70	746	303	45	0	107	1,993	0	5,715
Norfolk,	Dea. Nathan H. Rockwood,	70	30	60	55	25	0	0	50	0	2	0	12	89	0	601
North Adams,	Robert A. Thompson,	m459	362	400	70	236	179	146	911	165	33	25	1,235	2,990	0	5,100
Northampton, 1st	William N. Doane,	190	156	300	72	1,040	102	121	797	567	32	0	818	3,477	0	5,406
" Edwards,	F. N. Kneeland,	325	222	400	86	956	65	25	808	302	27	0	659	2,842	0	6,208
" Florence	William M. Smith,	225	167	200	78	43	8	24	0	18	13	8	700	814	0	1,800
North Andover,	George E. Hathorne,	250	184	100	50	25	25	25	112	67	0	0	134	388	0	2,892
North Attleboro'	Rev. John Whitehill,	112	75	107	19	23	0	4	204	6	2	0	17	256	0	1,425
" A. Falls,	Thomas I. Thurber,	136	75	150	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,269
" Trinity,	Robert G. Semple,	131	70	80	38	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1,493
Northboro',	Dea. F. M. Harrington,	165	73	92	27	47	15	16	40	37	11	13	25	204	0	1,204
Northbridge C.,	Frank E. Taft,	83	54	76	33	100	17	15	53	15	32	0	75	307	0	690
" Whitinsville,	Arthur F. Whitin,	331	205	256	143	5,799	2,257	647	4,683	3,094	773	121	2,601	19,975	0	2,770
" Rockdale,	Benjamin W. Brown,	33	22	43	25	41	10	7	49	9	5	0	0	121	0	600
North Brookfield,	Frank S. Bart'lett,	322	174	277	94	399	127	111	278	218	101	10	404	1,648	0	3,076
" Union,	Edgar H. Grout,	129	76	157	47	135	72	0	48	210	8	125	192	790	0	1,400
Northfield,	Ambert G. Moody,	600	250	150	39	282	7	0	67	53	0	0	24	433	1,000	4,381
North Reading,	Dea. J. Milton Robinson,	125	86	100	40	25	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	40	0	850
Norton,	Arthur E. Sweet,	65	40	67	60	218	0	0	246	265	0	0	0	729	0	1,340
Norwood,	Edson D. Smith,	305	175	175	46	242	101	32	320	225	66	0	23	1,009	0	4,492
Oakham,	Horace W. Lincoln,	100	65	115	60	31	0	7	62	50	26	0	25	201	0	661
Orange, North,	Solon J. Oliver,	63		22	12	0	0	0	7	0	1	0	0	8	0	137
" Central,	Waldo E. French,	350	207	275	79	281	26	31	178	83	36	0	0	635	0	2,400
" *Swedish*,	John Magunsan,	106	90	25	22	27	0	0	10	22	0	0	0	59	0	1,320
Orleans,	Freeman H. Snow,	130	70	136	25	55	0	0	115	0	8	0	25	203	0	2,427
Otis,	Dea. W. N. Hawley,	33		84	27	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	179
Oxford,	Dea. D. M. Howe,	145	71	135	50	226	20	46	261	122	16	10	90	791	0	1,660
Palmer, Thorn'e,	Andrew J. Parker,	96	45	76	59	19	10	0	10	0	0	18	50	107	0	1,187
" 2d,	Luther H. Gage,	228	155	200	114	73	139	22	110	129	21	90	379	963	0	3,521
" Three Rivers,	J. H. Trickett,	215	151	82	116	46	0	0	0	193	0	0	70	309	0	2,488
Paxton,	Charles F. Flint,	50	43		44	23	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	33	950	750
Peabody, South,	Arthur F. Poole,	296	179		90	794	198	0	709	260	80	0	490	2,531	0	4,404
" 2d,	William T. Wolloff,	115	76	150	64	0	0	5	6	0	5	0	33	49	500	1,500
" West,	A. W. Felt,	80	50	100	30	6	0	6	10	0	3	0	5	30	0	621
Pelham,	John Van Stone, **Prescott**,	19	15	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Packardville,	John W. Knight, **Pelham**,	75	40	30	15	2	0	0	6	0	1	0	2	11	0	100
Pepperell,	Lyman C. Blood,	185	98	230	39	98	18	8	79	152	13	0	86	454	6,600	1,469

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Peru,	1770	Dea. Jewett H. Geer,	Edson L. Clark, *p.*	'59	'93	25	33	58	22	2	1	3	1	1	0	2	0	0
Petersham,	1823	Charles K. Wilder,	Daniel E. Adams, *p.*	'60	'93	3	22	25	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Phillipston,	1785	Mrs. Lyman B. Smith,	Daniel E. Adams, *p.*	'60	'93	19	44	63	21	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	0
Pittsfield, 1st,	1764	Dea. H. A. Brewster,	Wm. V.W. Davis, *p.c.a*	'77	'93	155	371	526	51	10	10	20	9	7	12	28	4	9
" 2d,	1846	Mrs Leah Gardiner,	Samuel Harrison, *p.*	'50	'72	9	20	29	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
" South,	1850	Frank E. Pierson,	Isaac C. Smart, *p. c.*	'85	'85	170	280	450	32	8	10	18	4	5	0	9	5	6
Plainfield,	1786	Dea. Seth W. Clark,	George C. Bliss, *p.*	'95	'96	32	53	85	19	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Plymouth, **Manomet,**	1738	Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,				19	40	59	8	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
" Pilgrimage,	1801	Charles F. Cole,	Ernest W. Shurtleff, *p c.*	'89	'91	61	317	378	65	3	7	10	3	4	0	7	0	0
" **Chiltonville,**	1894	Miss L. B. Nickerson,				11	29	40	5	2	1	3	1	4	0	5	1	0
Plympton,	1698	Miss Bessie Sherman,	Ernest C. Davis, *p.*	'94	'94	16	60	76	19	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Prescott,	1823	Mrs. E. J. Paige,	Charles E. Houghton, *p.*	'76	'88	17	18	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Princeton,	1764	Miss Susie A. Davis,	Charles A. White, *p.*	'73	'88	51	128	179	42	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0
Provincetown,	1714	Mrs. Mary N. Lewis,	William F. Skerrye, *p.*	'96	'94	11	55	66	15	0	0	0	3	1	2	6	0	0
Quincy, Bethany,	1832	Ernest D. Gourd,	Edwin N. Hardy, *p. c.*	'90	'95	113	207	320	31	8	19	27	5	6	16	27	1	4
" **Wollaston,**	1876	Edward L. Robbins,	Edward A. Robinson, *p. c.*	'83	'90	49	94	143	11	1	10	11	1	4	0	5	1	7
" **Point,** Wash. st.,	1883	Thos. B. Pollard, **Q.**	[Morris H. Turk, *Lic.*]		'96	15	40	55	4	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0
" **Atlantic,**	1885	B. Frank Thomas,				15	34	49	4	0	5	5	0	1	0	1	0	0
" *Swedish,*	1889	Eric Carlson,	[Chas. A. Bjornborn, *Swed. M.*]		'95	60	74	134	7	42	0	42	0	5	5	10	0	18
Randolph,	1731	W. H. Leavitt,	Charles A. Hilton, *p. c.*		'71	'93	48	117	165	19	7	2	9	2	2	0	4	7	0
Raynham,	1731	Edward B. King,	Sidney K. B. Perkins, *p.*		'60	'87	14	35	49	0	1	0	1	4	0	1	5	1	0
" **North,**	1875	Willard M. Copeland,	Sidney K. B. Perkins, *p.*		'60	'87	6	22	28	2	1	3	4	0	2	0	2	1	0
Reading,	1849	Frank W. B. Pratt,					126	328	454	55	5	9	14	15	1	0	16	2	3
Rehoboth,	1721	Miss E. B. Pierce,	Charles B. Wathen, *p.*		'83	'96	47	85	132	52	0	1	1	2	1	4	7	0	1
Revere, 1st,	1828	George A. Dalrymple,	Walter S. Eaton, *p. c.*		'92	'92	61	101	162	36	0	3	3	2	2	0	4	0	3
" Beachmont,	1881	Ralph T. Kimball,	E. S. J. McAllister, *p.*		'91	'96	17	44	61	0	0	3	3	1	7	23	31	0	1
Richmond,	1765	Henry L. Salmon,	T. Clair Luce, *p. c.*		'85	'91	31	65	96	4	3	1	4	1	0	1	2	3	0
Rochester, 1st,	1703	John S. Ryder,	George B. Shanor, *p.*		'93	'96	10	36	46	17	3	0	3	3	1	0	4	3	0
" **North,**	1753	George H. Randall,	Leslie B. Withee, *p.*		'89	'96	11	15	26	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **E., W. Wareham,**	1887	George P. Morse,	Alonzo T. Lamb, *p.*		'93	'96	30	41	71	17	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0
Rockland,	1813	Joshua S. Smith,	Fred H. Allen, *p.*		'74	'95	103	193	296	48	1	4	5	2	3	0	5	0	2
Rockport, 1st,	1755	Calvin W. Pool,	Israel Ainsworth, *p. c.*		'80	'91	50	170	220	25	1	2	3	7	3	1	11	1	4
" **Pigeon Cove,**	1874					9	41	50	4	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
" *Swedish,*	1892	Eric P. Anderson,	[Peter A. Johnson,]			'96	20	18	38	0	3	1	4	0	3	8	11	0	0
Rowley,	1639	Benjamin P. Mighill,	Samuel B. Cooper. *p.*		'87	'92	38	113	151	32	2	1	3	5	1	0	6	2	0
Royalston,	1766	Dea. Frank M. Adams,	Francis J. Fairbanks, *p. c.*		'64	'93	36	69	105	22	3	2	5	3	7	3	13	2	0
" **South,**	1837	Jeremiah A. Rich,				19	41	60	25	0	3	3	0	2	0	2	0	0
Rutland,	1727	Dea. Wm. C. Temple,	Sidney Crawford, *p.*		'70	'93	77	119	196	46	7	1	8	3	1	0	4	5	3
Salem, Tabernacle,	1735	Ezra L. Woodbury,	DeWitt S. Clark, *p. c.*		'68	'79	82	289	371	35	5	8	13	8	5	0	13	5	3
" South,	1735	Charles H. Hayward,	James F. Brodie, *p. c.*		'82	'89	62	198	260	42	2	7	9	7	7	0	14	2	1
" Crombie st.	1832	Henry J. Pratt,	John W. Buckham, *p. c*		'88	'90	51	157	208	37	0	1	1	6	2	0	8	0	3
Sandisfield,	1756	Dea. John H. Whitney,					15	34	49	15	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0

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Peru,	Charles T Stowell,	45	28	30	25	22	0	0	0	10	0	0	8	40	0	250
Petersham,	Dea. Clinton Bohanon,	25	18	15	8	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	385
Phillipston,		37	26	33	0	6	0	0	7	0	0	0	12	25	0	363
Pittsfield, 1st,	William C. Stevenson,	515	320	475	102	1,325	146	136	1,206	419	79	65	2,274	5,650	3,456	9,651
" 2d,	Mrs. Leah Gardiner,	40	20	30	34	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	10	0	250
" South,	John P. Sayles,	210	175	150	143	64	16	24	0	13	15	12	250	394	0	5,000
Plainfield,	James A. Winslow,	115	54	77	0	13	4	0	8	4	2	0	0	31	0	490
Plymouth, Man.,	Seth S. Bartlett,	60		75	28	9	0	5	10	5	7	0	1	41	0	655
" Pilgrimage,	Charles F. Cole,	m399	175	52	120	283	15	17	307	270	11	0	48	951	0	3,360
" Chiltonville,	Mrs. O. F. Davis,	60	25	400	14	40	5	7	50	10	10	5	5	132	0	934
Plympton,	Miss Alice C. Bisbee,	m75	41	145	24	42	1	4	31	16	5	0	9	108	0	865
Prescott,	George F. Allen,	35	19	37	22	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	25	35	0	300
Princeton,	W.W.Roper,jr., E.Hubbardston	m134	67	200	45	504	0	0	135	170	2	0	86	897	0	1,600
Provincetown,	James E. Rich,	83	50	75	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	10	17	0	798
Quincy,	Ernest W. Branch,	425	240	375	135	176	15	35	270	50	72	0	900	1,518	0	5,017
" Wollaston,	N. G. Nickerson,	229	131	150	80	292	50	68	717	80	25	13	558	1,803	0	4,660
" Wash'gton st.,	Charles H. Sherborn,	130	80	90	62	0	0	0	9	19	0	0	6	34	0	1,056
" Atlantic,	Charles F. Merrick,	140	71	120	30	21	20	0	35	0	9	8	5	98	0	1,322
" *Swedish*,	Charles Leander,	105	90		50	126	28	6	41	0	0	0	44	245	0	1,815
Randolph,	M. W. Baker	152	79	130	58	418	60	0	319	74	63	32	137	1,103	0	3,000
Raynham,	Wilfred C. Lawson,	87	37	72	14	18	20	0	17	13	0	0	0	68	0	700
" North,	William Palmer,	55	20	73	14	3	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	7	0	320
Reading,	Frank W. B. Pratt,	591	269	325	246	567	205	59	329	297	40	29	516	2,042	900	4,110
Rehoboth,	Henry T. Horton,	78	50	80	38	11	0	0	0	5	0	0	10	26	0	1,100
Revere, 1st,	Dea. Edwin B. Hooper,	205	70	200	57	0	3	5	52	40	2	0	107	209	0	2,400
" Beachmont,	Samuel McBay,	160	85	200	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	725
Richmond,	A. Granville Sharp,	130	68	65	71	134	0	6	22	45	8	0	60	275	0	1,660
Rochester, 1st,	George B. Haskell,	49	27	75	25	80	0	0	34	24	0	0	34	172	0	951
" North,	Edward E. Reynolds,	30	25	20	20	0	0	0	10	19	2	0	0	31	0	413
" East,	Mrs. George L Shaw,	80	52	55		2	0	0	20	17	0	0	13	52	0	360
Rockland,	Clarence E. Rice,	420	263	270	90	146	20	20	28	130	15	12	64	435	522	4,000
Rockport, 1st,	Henry C. Davis,	217	130	230	103	48	8	18	107	15	24	6	147	373	0	2,600
" Pig. Cove,	Thomas Whigham,	62	36	75	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	615
" *Sw.*,	Peter Johnson,	59	50		9	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	2	6	0	50
Rowley,	Willard P Smith,	126	71	100	50	190	0	0	24	55	0	0	20	289	0	2,266
Royalston,	Dea. Frank M. Adams,	122	73	85	49	101	0	0	169	0	15	2	0	287	0	1,035
" South,	Alfred R. Hale,	40	24	50	27	14	0	0	0	5	3	0	3	25	0	725
Rutland,	Walter A. Hunter,	m180	93	120	77	50	0	0	75	30	3	0	5	163	200	1,500
Salem, Tab'cle,	Frederick A. Fuller,	542	382	290	205	474	165	206	1,049	309	95	36	60	2,484	0	5,700
" South,	Frank H. Sargent,	341	239	254	102	604	221	34	490	446	40	0	1,024	2,859	50	
" Crombie st.	Arthur F. Smith,	149	96	150	73	244	0	0	263	127	23	0	195	852	0	3,500
Sandisfield,		0	0	30	14	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	72

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Sandisfield, **New Boston,**	1874	Hiram A. Ryder,	[Arthur P. Pratt, *Lic.*]		'96	11	31	42	12	0	2	2	1	4	0	5	0	0
Sandwich,	1638	Dea. S. R. Bourne,	William H. Woodwell, *p.*	'73	'89	43	94	137	10	2	3	5	4	1	0	5	1	0
Saugus,	1732	John E. Stocker,	John C. Labaree, *p.*	'63	'93	11	38	49	16	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
" **Cliftondale,**	1888	Mrs. Arthur B. Smith,	W. Sherman Thompson, *p.c.*		'91	17	61	78	13	2	6	8	1	3	0	4	1	0
Scituate,	1639	Miss Mary F. Perry,	Seelye Bryant,		'90	21	54	75	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2
Seekonk,	1888		William H. Starr,		'65	12	12	24	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Sharon,	1741	Sanford W. Billings,	George F. Stanton, *p.*	'66	'88	38	79	117	18	11	0	11	4	4	0	8	9	8
Sheffield,	1735	Dea. D. Boardman,	Evarts W. Pond,		'95	37	101	138	20	6	5	11	4	2	0	6	5	0
Shelburne,	1770	Dea. L. G. Alvord,	Joseph A. Goodrich, *p.*		'96	73	120	193	26	2	2	4	5	1	0	6	2	0
" **Falls,**	1850	Charles H. Ball,	Walter H. Ashley, *p.*		'78	59	162	221	55	15	15	30	3	1	0	4	14	5
Sherborn,	1685	Dea. L. Coolidge,	Edmund Dowse, *p. c.*		'38	35	82	117	42	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Shirley,	1828	Rev. Joseph Torrey,	Joseph Torrey, *p.*		'60	93	68	97	20	16	9	25	2	3	0	5	10	3
Shrewsbury,	1723	Charles O. Greene,	Edward A. Lathrop, *p.*		'95	95	76	102	8	6	2	8	2	1	8	11	5	0
Shutesbury,	1742	Dea. Nathaniel Briggs,	[Arthur J. Wyman],			'96	20	39	59	15	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	1	1
Somerset,	1861	Dea. Wm. H. Marble,	Thomas F. Norris, *p.*		'79	'94	18	38	56	27	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	0
Somerville, 1st,	1855	G. A. Southworth,	Robert W. Wallace, *p. c.*		'72	'97	117	236	353	81	6	14	20	12	26	0	38	2	0
" Broadway,	1864	Frank E. Hodgkins,	Horace H. Leavitt, *p. c.*		'73	'94	127	210	337	26	12	8	20	6	3	0	9	10	0
" West,	1874	Jacob H. Lowery,	Peter MacQueen, *p. c.*		'91	'93	92	196	288		1	13	14	1	7	0	8	1	4
" Prospect Hill,	1874	S. Gardner Higgins,	Edward S. Tead, *p. c.*		'78	'84	122	226	348		8	15	23	3	10	0	13	7	10
" Winter Hill,	1883	Edwin A. Stone,	Charles L. Noyes, *p. c.*		'81	'82	73	141	214	18	9	3	12	4	1	0	5	5	15
" Highland,	1894	George T. Failey,	George S. Anderson, *p.*		'91	'94	31	58	89	4	5	14	19	1	2	0	3	3	9
Southampton,	1743	H. L. Parsons,	John Cowan, *p.*		'75	'97	60	103	163	15	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0
Southboro',	1831	H. A. McMaster,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*		'93	'93	23	68	91	35	3	1	4	2	1	0	3	3	2
" **Southville,**	1865	Mrs. J. E. Ramsdell,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*		'93	'95	11	23	34	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Southbridge,	1801	F. C. Goulding,					82	149	231	56	4	5	9	4	3	0	7	2	0
South Hadley,	1733	Dea. Calvin Preston,					78	213	291	59	9	7	16	5	5	3	13	2	0
" **Falls,**	1824	Dea. Arthur N. Chapin,	Richard L. Swain, *p c.*		'84	'94	80	193	273	40	9	5	14	8	2	0	10	7	2
Southwick,	1773	Dea. Edward Gillett,	Harry O. Hannum, *p. c.*		'96	'96	28	53	81	13	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Spencer,	1744	Dea. Geo. H. Marsh,	Sherman W. Brown, *p. c.*		'93	'93	124	254	378	41	18	1	19	10	7	2	19	11	6
Springfield, 1st,	1637	William L. Richards,	Frank L. Goodspeed, *p c.a*		'87	'94	285	674	959	118	21	55	76	21	19	1	41	14	9
" Olivet,	183.	James B. Roberts,	Luther H. Cone, *p. c.*		'55	'67	92	240	332	72	6	3	9	11	13	0	24	2	5
" South,	184.	William A. Lincoln,	Philip S. Moxom, *p. c.*		'71	'94	148	305	453	80	8	7	15	9	4	1	14	2	14
" North,	1846	Ralph P. Alden,	F. Barrows Makepeace, *p.c.*		'73	'88	157	329	486	68	8	13	21	9	21	0	30	6	7
" **Ind. Orchard,**	1848	David Greenaway,	William T. Hutchins, *p.c.*		'76	'92	70	111	181	46	2	4	6	0	5	0	5	1	1
" Hope,	1876	W. V. Gilman,	Ralph W. Brokaw, *p. c.*		'77	'88	236	430	666	60	17	32	49	5	12	6	23	10	6
" *French,*	1886	Phil A. Forte,					21	20	41	10	2	8	10	1	4	8	13	0	2
" Eastern av.,	1888	Dea. Fred B. Miller,	Richard H. Bosworth, *p.c.*		'82	'94	67	112	179	20	9	16	25	1	7	18	26	4	6
" Emmanuel,	1888	Rev. D. L. Kebbe,	David L. Kebbe, *p. c.*		'91	'95	25	46	71	15	5	4	9	0	7	0	7	2	1
" Park,	1889	Dea. Henry W. Blake,	Allen E. Cross, *p. c.*		'92	'96	41	75	116	11	1	10	11	6	5	0	11	0	1
" St. John's,	1890	Dea. Charles Dennis,					29	56	85	5	13	0	13	0	0	8	8	3	5
" *Swedish,*	1891	Frederick Anderson,	Gustaf Staaf, *p.*		'89	'94	21	34	55	4	6	4	10	1	2	0	3	0	--
" Faith,	1894	Arthur P. Smith,	Harry C. Meserve, *p. c.*		'95	'94	31	79	110	4	6	22	28	0	6	0	6	5	1

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Sandisfield,	John A. Northaway,	40	21	60	40	3	0	6	9	0	12	0	0	30	0	200
Sandwich,	E. J. Edwards,	112	66	71	51	68	0	0	55	12	0	0	12	147	0	
Saugus,	John E. Stocker,	127	74	80	25	92	0	0	86	0	0	0	9	187	0	1,003
" Clift'd'e,	William F. Sawyer,	160	80	125	43	83	0	5	125	0	4	0	30	247	0	1,980
Scituate,	John H. Young,	80	49	50	49	16	0	0	59	12	5	0	4	96	400	945
Seekonk,	D. D. Peck,	70	34	30	30	0	0	2	5	5	0	0	0	12	0	276
Sharon,	Sanford W. Billings,	150	76	90	55	106	20	23	197	89	0	0	0	435	435	1,274
Sheffield,	Dea. R. F. Little,	86	55	100	57	96	42	5	69	31	8	0	11	262	0	1,400
Shelburne,	Luther W. Truesdell,	190	120	80	80	161	6	24	37	81	4	3	55	371	0	1,434
" Falls,	E. J. Stockwell,	220	131	184	59	92	10	15	75	21	7	10	130	360	0	1,590
Sherborn,	E. C. Barber,	150	64	100	60	60	0	0	75	0	3	0	50	188	0	1,200
Shirley,	Henry D. Martin,	111	56	65	90	44	0	7	31	12	5	0	30	129	0	1,480
Shrewsbury,	Rev. E. A. Lathrop,	161	68	117	62	87	0	0	57	22	0	21	5	192	0	2,185
Shutesbury,	N. A. Briggs,	38	23	35	15	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	28	48	0	305
Somerset,	Dea. Wm. H. Marble,	83	42	71	32	40	0	2	8	0	0	0	0	50	0	950
Somerville, 1st,	Charles H. Colgate,	358	204	275	83	224	38	268	43	4	8	0	739	1,324	0	5,107
" Broadway,	Charles W. Colman,	375	209	250	125	280	10	17	1,387	25	15	6	325	2,065	0	12,000
" West,	E. W. Hubbard,	327	170	350	60	0	0	88	0	25	0	0	116	229	0	6,500
" Prospect Hill,	C. S. Clapham,	473	301	275		56	26	63	91	82	52	0	273	643	0	6,500
" Winter Hill,	John Herbert,	270	175	180	80	251	25	40	153	209	20	25	670	1,393	0	5,900
" Highland,	Herbert L. Jones,	240	139	200	80	27	0	0	19	17	0	0	25	88	0	4,471
Southampton,		121	69	80	44	87	0	0	53	45	9	12	127	333	0	1,350
Southboro',	H. A. McMaster,	65	33	50	20	39	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	92	0	1,250
" Southville,	Wilbur A. Ward,	35	23	24	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	10	20	0	228
Southbridge,	Lyman E. Sibley,	185	87	112	68	96	2	1	272	224	0	0	0	595	0	2,350
South Hadley,	J. Lyman Griswold,	182	123	172	79	569	14	3	473	190	63	0	422	1,734	0	2,050
" Falls,	Henry E. Judd,	346	225	250	120	164	157	44	492	151	21	7	408	1,444	0	2,766
Southwick,	Herbert S. Miller,	82	57	70	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Spencer,	E. W Norwood,	532	283	441	160	606	61	110	1,067	159	58	0	175	2,236	0	5,808
Springfield, 1st,	Milton A Dixon,	743	416	740	69	2,256	397	87	1,672	195	81	245	3,231	8,164	0	15,263
" Olivet,	Edward C. Hazen,	267	131	223	96	538	18	44	288	96	39	10	158	1,191	0	2,621
" South,	Norman H. Carkhuff,	265	180	200	0	2,585	471	161	2,117	579	136	120	823	6,992	0	12,080
" North,	Charles H. Burnham,	383	241	225	128	325	59	27	603	126	25	0	5,135	6,300	0	6,835
" Indian Orch.,	David Greenaway,	182	135	135	140	106	120	0	73	33	0	0	326	658	0	3,215
" Hope,	Benjamin L. Bragg,	685	446	500	203	882	1,303	42	2,028	75	547	0	415	5,292	0	8,549
" *French*,	O. A. Auger,	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	35	40	0	240
" Eastern av.,	William L. Ladbury,	225	150	100	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	2,776
" Emmanuel,	H. V. R. Schemerhorn,	150	107	65	72	3	29	1	28	3	7	1	6	78	0	1,127
" Park,	Charles Jacobus,	226	130	100	74	147	0	0	200	0	0	0	342	689	0	9,635
" St. John's,	David Jennings,	132	72	72	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	660
" *Swedish*,	Frederick Anderson,	25	22	24	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	65	0	720
Faith,	Enos E. Penney,	129	78	125	25	21	0	8	21	65	0	0	135	250	0	2,603

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	Dc.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Sterling,	1852	Rev. George H. Pratt,	George H. Pratt, *p.*	'66	'93	21	63	84	6	8	2	10	0	3	1	4	6	0
Stockbridge,	1734	Charles A. Bidwell,	Charles S. Rich, *p. c.*	'96	'96	67	137	204	38	0	1	1	4	1	0	5	0	0
" Curtisville,	1824	Dea. John W. Ford,				35	49	84	12	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Stoneham,	1729	Dea. O. W. Richardson,				78	185	263	62	0	10	10	8	6	0	14	0	2
Stoughton,	1799	Miss J. G. Carpenter,	Caleb L. Rotch, *p.*	'79	'93	37	88	125	24	2	5	7	1	2	6	9	1	0
Sturbridge,	1736	Rev. A. Holbrook,	Augustus M. Rice, *p.*	'73	'93	32	67	99	28	2	4	6	2	4	0	6	1	2
Sudbury, South,	1640	Dea. F. F. Walker,	Clarence W. Rouse, *p. c.*	'90	'94	55	108	163	28	0	3	3	5	2	0	7	0	0
Sunderland,	1718	Rev. E. P. Butler,	Edward P. Butler, *p. c.*	'74	'89	92	130	222	26	1	2	3	12	2	5	19	1	12
Sutton,	1720	C.S.White, Wilkinsony'e	John C. Hall, *p. c.*	'90	'91	49	102	151	43	0	3	3	5	2	0	7	0	6
Swampscott,	1846	Barnet W. Redfern,				20	96	116	15	1	2	3	0	2	0	2	1	0
Taunton, West,	1637	Mrs. W. Chase, jr.,	Charles Clark, *p.*	'94	'94	16	39	55	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Trinitarian,	1821	Erastus Morse,				79	206	285	39	3	3	6	4	3	0	7	2	3
" Winslow,	1837	Dea. Geo. W. Andros,	T. Clayton Welles, *p. c.*	'72	'92	91	206	297	26	13	10	23	3	0	0	3	7	1
" East,	1853	Charles W. King,	Frank Park, *p.*	'95	'95	19	41	60	30	2	0	2	0	1	0	1	2	0
" Union,	1868	Frank R. Knox,	Frank L. Luce, *p. c.*	'96	'97	57	151	208	34	4	4	8	2	6	3	11	1	0
Templeton,	1832	John M. Brown,	Gabriel B. Kambour, *p. c.*	'93	'93	28	66	94	13	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	1
Tewksbury,	1735	Miss Anna S. Coggin,	Elbridge C. Whiting, *p.*	'91	'96	42	86	128	27	0	0	0	1	11	0	12	0	1
Tolland,	1797	C. E. Slocum,	Samuel B. Andrews, *p.*	'68	'96	15	26	41	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Topsfield,	1663	Miss A. F. Ferguson,	Francis A. Poole, *p. c.*	'93	'95	37	93	130	26	3	0	3	5	2	0	7	1	0
Townsend,	1734	Miss Emma F. Gates,	Charles H. Rowley, *p.*	'81	'90	48	135	183	35	2	1	3	3	1	0	4	2	0
Truro,	1711	Dea. Daniel E. Paine,	William Harris, *p.*	'76	'95	12	21	33	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" North,	1840	Mrs. Benj. Coan,	[Arthur H. Scudder, *Meth.*]	'97	'97	0	7	7	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Tyngsboro',	1808	Dea. John P. Coburn,	Sarah A. Dixon, *p. c.*	'97	'97	19	39	58	15	1	2	3	0	2	0	2	1	0
Upton,	1735	Olive M. Johnson,	Alex. Wiswall, *p. c.*	'79	'93	46	173	219	37	5	2	7	6	4	0	10	4	5
Uxbridge,	1730	Imogen W. Mascroft,	Frank L. Bristol, *p.*	'75	'88	30	107	137	29	4	0	4	6	4	0	10	2	6
Wakefield,	1645	John W. White,	Albert P. Davis, *p. c.*	'94	'94	136	282	418	72	9	16	25	7	16	2	25	7	7
Walpole,	1826	S. Eugene Bentley,	Frank C. Putnam, *p. c.*	'94	'94	57	143	200	40	6	0	6	2	7	0	9	2	0
" East,	1877																	
Waltham,	1820	Chas. W. Durgin,	Charles E. Harrington, *p. c.*	'74	'94	170	379	549	142	8	11	19	6	9	0	15	2	2
" *Swedish*,	1892	Alfred A. Beavesth,	Carl A. Lundgren, *p.*	'93	'96	16	40	56	6	3	5	8	0	3	2	5	0	0
Ware,	1751	Miss M. R. Howard,	Edward L. Chute, *p.*	'80	'96	15	48	63	14	0	3	3	3	9	0	12	0	0
" East,	1826	Henry K. Hyde,	Austin B. Bassett, *p. c.*	'87	'91	131	321	452	67	5	11	16	10	11	0	21	1	7
" *French*,	1887	Rev. L. E. Rivard,	Laurent E. Rivard, *p.*	'94	'93	14	14	28	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1
Wareham,	1739	Harriet E. Smith,	J. Herbert Yeoman, *p.*	'77	'95	20	49	69	13	3	9	12	2	0	0	2	2	1
Warren, 1st,	1743	Georgo E. Tarbell,	William B. Forbush, *p. c.*	'92	'96	121	197	318	52	4	11	15	5	11	0	16	2	9
" West,	1866	Dea. Milton Dickson,				7	18	25	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warwick,	1829	Dea. E. C. Chase,	Edmond F. Blanchard, *p.*	'94	'94	20	34	54	10	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Watertown,	1855	J. Henry Green,	Edward C. Porter, *p. c.*	'84	'89	105	193	298	38	9	5	14	6	3	0	9	2	7
Wayland,	1828	Frederick H. Fowler,	[T. A. Wilson, *Meth.*]	'89	'96	17	32	49	19	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Webster,	1838	Edwin L. Spalding,	Henry A. Blake, *p.*	'76	'88	75	149	224	30	0	0	0	3	7	7	17	0	4

Thorndike, *see* **Palmer.** **Turner's Falls**, *see* **Montague.** **Waquoit**, *see* **Falmouth.** **Waverley**, *see* **Belmont.**

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Sterling,	Arthur S. Wilder,	126	56	75	50	35	5	19	108	23	13	0	58	261	0	1,143
Stockbridge,	Clarence H. Perry,	173	103	90	62	88	72	15	66	138	38	22	346	785	0	3,292
" Cur.	Dea. F. Palmer, Stockbridge,	70	40	50	32	62	7	47	56	40	12	0	41	265	0	650
Stoneham,	John Cross,	351	154	244	102	151	5	8	159	454	5	4	484	1,270	100	2,958
Stoughton,	Emerson N. Wilkins,	223	120	200	60	14	1	5	14	9	8	0	9	60	0	2,600
Sturbridge,	Henry D. Haynes,	93	51	73	36	58	0	19	58	107	5	0	15	262	0	1,052
Sudbury,	Leonard F. Richardson,	135	68	110	43	57	14	18	159	106	62	38	0	454	0	1,868
Sunderland,	A. M. Darling,	232	108	102	40	249	73	82	328	107	53	0	17	909	0	1,250
Sutton,	C. S. White,	118	66	145	21	66	16	16	34	18	16	0	103	269	0	1,376
Swampscott,	Gardner P. Balch,	165	86	180	41	118	10	15	106	15	20	5	65	354	0	2,100
Taunton, West,	Lewis P. Luther,	92	54	75	42	28	0	0	27	13	25	0	0	93	0	992
" Trin.,	William H. Fox,	287	147	250	127	447	117	54	718	172	64	0	400	1,972	0	6,371
" Winslow.	William W. Atkins,	431	248	265	145	158	17	36	159	150	36	4	200	760	0	4,971
" East,	Charles W. King,	41	24	47	0	28	0	0	18	0	0	0	39	85	44	700
" Union,	Nathaniel A. Cushman,	234	162	250	85	87	12	10	47	29	8	0	179	372	0	2,329
Templeton,	James O. Winch,	96	44	40	48	27	8	8	13	9	7	0	35	107	0	825
Tewksbury,	Enoch Foster,	112	75	126	60	49	16	0	15	0	26	0	43	149	0	1,500
Tolland,	Mrs. Watson Hale,	40	25	29	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	20	0	216
Topsfield,	A. M. Dodge,	140	76	125	80	44	0	0	0	35	0	0	10	89	0	
Townsend,	A. S. Howard,	145	85	145	65	138	7	7	66	49	11	0	6	284	0	1,475
Truro,	John B. Dyer,	45	23	36	0	12	0	0	13	6	0	0	5	36	0	340
" North,	Rev. A. H. Scudder,	50	36	45	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	27	0	570
Tyngsboro',	C. Howard Scholefield,	135	59	59	42	8	0	6	0	8	7	0	34	63	0	1,140
Upton,	Appleton P. Williams,	244	101	250	75	109	9	6	55	38	0	19	97	333	50	1,250
Uxbridge,	Rev. F. L. Bristol,	240	172	179	90	56	20	79	49	82	43	9	19	357	0	2,950
Wakefield,	A. D. Dimick,	503	293	300	193	491	109	31	332	349	55	0	177	1,544	0	5,569
Walpole,	Gilman F. Allen,	220	123	155	70	174	19	11	332	52	51	10	0	649	0	2,489
" East,	J. Lewis Boyden,	50	40													
Waltham,	Marshall J. Mosher,	572	254	400	154	156	43	61	282	163	77	20	202	1,004	0	4,657
" *Swedish*,	Victor Landström,	35	30	12	25	0	0	5	12	0	0	0	23	40	0	845
Ware,	Rev. E. L. Chute,	60	45	59	17	31	0	0	20	21	21	0	20	113	0	1,100
" East,	Thomas P. Studd,	415	266	310	150	1,026	300	57	968	809	79	0	356	3,595	0	3,953
" *French*,	Rev. L. E. Rivard,	16	15	17	0	1	0	0	11	21	2	0	6	41	0	67
Wareham,	Arthur B. Larcher,	175	62	80	72	102	10	0	80	31	19	0	0	242	0	1,543
Warren, 1st,	Dea. Charles H. Walker,	295	165	284	115	382	151	169	600	238	131	0	102	1,773	0	3,000
" West,		0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warwick,	W. E. Blackmer, N. Orange,	50	33	38	25	10	0	0	3	5	0	0	0	18	0	340
Watertown,	Orlando W. Dimick,	217	136	175	54	837	0	0	800	177	0	0	950	2,764	0	3,513
Wayland,	William S. Lovell,	30	23	50	29	5	0	0	3	0	6	0	9	23	0	
Webster,	J. Evarts Hitchcock,	270	170	160	76	191	28	42	294	60	42	52	221	930	0	2,300

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Wellesley,	1798	Robert E. Anderson,	Edward H. Chandler, *p. c.*	'92	'97	86	200	286	60	3	4	7	4	12	0	16	0	0
" **Hills,**	1847	T. Wallace Travis,	Parris T. Farwell, *p. c.*	'83	'95	36	81	117	18	3	5	8		0	0	1	2	7
Wellfleet,	1723	Dea. Simeon Atwood,	Dorrall Lee, *p.*	'74	'97	47	114	161	50	0	0	0	7	0	0	7	0	0
" **South,**	1833	Winslow Paine,				18	36	54	26	0	0	0		1	0	2	0	0
Wendell,	1774	Mrs. Ellen L. Baker,	Edward P. Seymour, *p.*	'92	'96	14	15	29	8	5		6	0	0	0	0	3	0
Wenham,	1663	Benj. H. Conant,	Arthur N. Ward, *p.*	'79	'91	24	56	80	20	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	1	0
Westboro,	1724	Otis K. Newton,	Merle A. Breed, *p.*	'93	'95	135	297	432	100	1	5	6	8	8	0	16	0	2
West Boylston,	1796	Dea. E. B. Rice,	Samuel A. Harlow, *p.*	'82	'96	32	78	110	29	4	0	4	2	3	0	5	2	0
West Brookfield,	1717	Edwin Wilbur,	Charles W. Loomis, *p.*	'88	'95	56	141	197	28	0	3	3	6	3	4	13	0	0
Westfield, 1st,	1679	Rev. J. H. Lockwood,	John H. Lockwood, *p. c.*	'71	'79	117	344	461	40	6	12	18	7	15	6	28	2	5
" 2d,	1856	Miss J. E. Strong,	Lyman H. Blake, *p. c.*	'67	'81	132	293	425	64	5	5	10	9	8	0	7	3	5
Westford,	1828	Leonard W. Wheeler,	[Elijah H. Roper, *Lic.*]		'97	20	62	82	28	4	2	6	3		2	6	0	0
Westhampton,	1779	Frederick H. Judd,	Arthur C. Townsend, *p. c.*	'91	'91	90	131	221	34	3	0	3	3	2	0	5	1	0
Westminster,	1742	Dea. James B. Wood,	John W. Lees, *p.*	'70	'95	52	110	162	22	0	2	2	3	5	5	13	0	0
West Newbury, 1st,	1698	B. F. Robinson,	William B. T. Smith,	'93	'97	33	70	103	12	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	3
" 2d,	1731	Miss Emly A. Bailey,	Frederick B. Noyes, *p. c.*	'90	'91	18	97	115	28	1	0		3	0	0	3	1	0
Weston,	1891	Mrs. F. T. Fuller,	Robert F. Gordon, *p.*	'75	'91	9	17	26	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Westport,	1858	Mrs. S. E. Gammons,	John Graham, *p.*	'90	'94	11	29	40	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Springfield,	1698	Dea. J. M. Smith,	Sidney K. Perkins, *p.*	'80	'93	42	85	127	23	0	0	0		4	0	5	0	6
" **Mittineague,**	1850	Eugene H. Shepard,	Alpheus M. Spangler, *p. c.*	'88	'88	75	108	183	38	3	4	7	2	2	2	6	0	3
" Park st.,	1871	Ethan Brooks,	Albert E. Fitch, *p.*	'96	'96	49	11	160	8	0	2	2	3	3	0	6	0	1
West Stockbridge, Centre,	1789	Miss E. Rockwell,	Walter W. Curtis,	'72	'90	5	19	24	3	1	0	1	1	0	0		1	0
" Village,	1833	Cyrus W. Sprague,	Walter W. Curtis,	'72	'83	27	70	97	25	1	3	4	2	2	0	4	1	0
West Tisbury,	1673	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Horace Parker, *p.*	'61	'92	30	7	101	12	4	0	4	0		0	1	4	0
Weymouth, 1st, **Heights,**	1623	Wm. E. Humphrey,	Robert R. Kendall, *p. c.*	'78	'91	28	70	98	25	2	1	3	3	0	0	3	2	0
" Old South, **South,**	1723	Alfred O. Crawford,	Henry C. Alvord, *p. c.*	'79	'86	45	110	155	34	2	0	2	0	4	0	4	1	1
" and Braintree,	1811	Miss JessieMacgregor,*a*	Henry S. Snyder,	'85	'97	31	127	58	30	0	2	2	4	2	0	6	0	0
" Union, **South,**	1842	John F. Vining,	Frank E. Butler, *p.*	'87	'96	51	123	174	33		3	4	2	3	0	5	1	0
" Pilgrim, **North,**	1852	Wilson E. Beane,	Thomas H. Vincent,	'89	'97	48	88	136		0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
" **East,**	1860	Charles B. Cushing,	Daniel Evans, *p. c.*	'91	'91	75	174	249	45	5	2	7	4	0	0	4	4	4
Whately,	1771	Henry A. Wilder,*b*	George L. Dickinson, *p. c.*	'76	'90	58	102	160	34	0	3	3	0	4	0	4	0	8
Whitman,	1807	B. F. Peterson,	Frank S. Hunnewell, *p.*	'88	'91	78	162	240	34	3	5	8	8	9	0	17	1	2
Wilbraham,	1741	Dea. Francis E. Clark,	Martin S. Howard, *p. c.*	'56	'68	52	85	137	52	4		5	1	3	0	4	2	0
" **North,**	1886	Merrick H. Cooley,	Henry B. Mason, *p. c.*	'92	'96	22	38	60	11		2	3	1	1	0	2	0	0
Williamsburg,	1771	Dea. Henry W. Hill,	John Pierpont,	'88	'97	67	149	216	31	7	5	12	3	3	0	6	3	3
" **Haydenville,**	1851	Dea. H. C. Smith,	George H. Buck, *p.*	'94	'94	40	10	150	30	0		1	3	5	9	17	0	3
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	Bushnell Danforth,				105	225	330	95	6	2	8	3	7	0	10	0	0
" College,	1834	O. M. Fernald,				11	8	19	0		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **South,**	1836	J. Cicero Torrey,	[George P. Merritt, *Lic.*]		'97		31	42		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" White Oaks,	1868	Mrs. Mary R. Hunter,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*]		'96	27	56	83	21	10	3	13	0	3	0	3	7	0

a **East Braintree.** *b* **North Hatfield.** **West Roxbury,** *see* **Boston.**

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Wellesley,	Charles E. Fuller,	220	146	195	138	123	24	84	111	96	0	27	188	653	0	3,500
" Hills,	T. Wallace Travis,	102	68	109	81	794	550	123	830	145	40	0	221	2,703	0	3,418
Wellfleet,	Thomas Kemp,	100	56	95	30	11	0	0	14	0	0	0	7	32	0	1,300
" South,	Miss Nettie S. Paine,	54	25	35	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	12	22	0	300
Wendell,	Fred E. Davis,	50	26	50	37	3	1	1	6	1	2	1	2	17	0	532
Wenham,	Fred A. Williams,	125	64	125	42	25	4	25	30	13	9	0	69	175	0	950
Westboro,	Ira M. Beaman,	285	179	300	140	311	34	29	960	200	37	20	117	1,708	0	2,845
West Boylston,	Herbert A. Holmes,	95	47	128	20	36	5	5	100	92	33	0	79	350	0	1,763
West Brookfield,	Myron Richardson,	139	97	200	51	75	49	19	367	67	0	11	96	684	0	1,754
Westfield, 1st,	Rev. J. H. Lockwood,	487	341	345	123	786	30	24	1,077	179	61	119	1,197	3,473	0	4,869
" 2d,	Frank C. Parker,	283	177	349	187	193	12	18	355	95	10	7	737	1,427	0	6,130
Westford,	Houghton G. Osgood,	75	42	60	33	96	0	0	17	5	0	0	0	118	0	5,000
Westhampton,	Henry A. Parsons,	157	87	100	51	191	84	12	252	84	25	9	145	802	0	1,321
Westminster,	Edward C. Damon,	118	78	90	54	146	0	6	81	80	7	6	30	356	0	1,400
W. Newbury, 1st,	Jarvis K. Gambrell,	191	57		100	7	7	20	24	16	0	0	26	100	13	758
" 2d,	Dea. Robert L. Smith,	170	82	169	52	19	0	0	12	8	0	0	41	80	0	
Weston,	John C. Macdonald,	40	18	24	30	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	12	18	0	675
Westport,	Mrs. J. B. Parris,	113	61		30	51	0	0	56	25	0	0	57	189	0	882
W. Springfield,	H. L. Brown,	115	64	75	24	62	13	9	100	125	42	0	25	376	0	4,602
" Mittineague,	Frank O. Scott,	195	131	115	62	91	10	23	36	40	22	11	39	272	0	2,200
" Park st.,	Nelson Sherburne,	123	90	95	0	214	27	0	236	128	10	0	40	655	0	2,500
W. Stockbridge,	Jared S. Adams, Alford,	17	9	25	0	0	0	0	10	0	1	0	0	11	0	155
" Village,	William N. Bartlett,	113	76	75	71	111	5	15	15	20	10	2	30	208	0	1,113
West Tisbury,	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	57	40	50	30	0	0	0	132	0	15	0	24	171	0	591
Weymouth, 1st,	Dea. B. F. Richards,	77	34	83	32	146	23	23	75	91	7	0	30	395	0	1,722
" Old South,	Matthew R. Loud,	166	112	130	51	167	10	11	195	122	15	0	150	670	0	2,200
" and Braint'e		114	65		51	42	9	0	95	86	0	62	60	354	0	2,074
" Un., South,	Louis A. Cook,	223	117	175	54	414	125	14	25	81	0	0	36	695	0	3,605
" Pilgrim,	Charles L. Seabury,	185	76	170	60	112	0	0	5	5	0	0	10	132	0	2,360
" East,	Charles D. Canterbury,	282	132	220	124	172	35	45	135	100	10	0	136	633	0	2,154
Whately,	H. S. Higgins, East Whately,	125	67	150	40	37	10	0	0	34	0	0	115	196	0	1,000
Whitman,	Carlos P. Faunce,	m560	212	280	90	42	24	22	130	47	12	0	317	594	0	3,626
Wilbraham,	Ethelbert Bliss,	83	65	75	21	19	0	10	18	10	25	0	21	103	2,850	1,376
" North,	Joseph M. Perry,	65	28	80	42	20	3	3	12	47	21	101	28	235	0	1,186
Williamsburg,	Frank Richards,	145	85	110	50	250	55	20	210	45	0	54	22	656	0	1,500
" Haydenville,	T. S. Purrington,	154	87	120	52	64	0	6	47	15	16	33	231	412	0	1,754
Williamsto'n, 1st,	George B. Waterman,	158	92	200	90	863	65	36	532	80	10	0	0	1,586	0	2,937
" College,		0	0		0	901	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	901	0	
" South,	George P. Merritt,	65	34	70	37	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	556
Williamstown W.O.	Frederick C. Lindley,	100	58	98	59	8	0	2	33	3	2	0	9	57	0	311

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Wilmington,	1733	Chester W. Clark,	Elijah Harmon, *p. c.*	'67	'85	30	70	100	14	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	3
Winchendon, 1st,	1762	Mrs. L. E. Jones,	Gustavus W. Jones, *p. c.*	'69	'90	22	22	44	16	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
" North,	1843	Rev. Davis Foster,	Davis Foster, *p. c.*	'55	'67	74	175	249	44	0	4	4	5	1	0	6	0	5
Winchester,	1840	Rev. Edwin B. Palmer,	D. Augustine Newton, *p. c.*	'82	'89	204	363	567	69	20	9	29	8	1	0	9	8	5
Windsor,	1773	Howlitt C. Cleveland,	George Sterling,	'74	'97	13	22	35	7	1	2	3	0	2	0	2	1	0
Winthrop,	1896	William H. Gardner,	Arthur Truslow, *p. c.*	'96	'96	7	17	24	1	2	22	24	0	0	0	0	2	0
Woburn,	1642	Dea. Jos. G. Pollard,	Doremus Scudder, *p. c.*	'85	'95	234	428	662	99	26	13	39	11	22	9	42	12	4
" North,	1849	Dr. J. P. Bixby,	George H. Tilton, *p. c.*	'73	'96	39	76	115	16	2	4	6	2	3	0	5	1	1
" *Scandinavian*,	1884	C. R. Rosenquist,	Carl J. Larson,	'95	'97	29	51	80	6	21	2	23	1	9	4	14	0	5
" Montvale,	1892	Dea. Wm. H. Huber,	[J. Jackson,]		'97	9	19	28	2	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Worcester, 1st,	1719	Wilton H. Merriam,	Arcturus Z. Conrad, *p. c.*	'85	'90	286	606	892		30	45	75	13	22	0	35	22	10
" Central,	1820	Clinton Alvord,	Daniel Merriman, *p. c.* '68 – Edw. M. Chapman, *p. c.* '90		'78 '93	143	307	450	25	14	13	27	7	8	11	26	10	4
" Union,	1836	Francis E. Kimball,	Ebenezer Cutler, *p.c., em.* '50 – John E. Tuttle, *p. c.* '83		'55 '96	228	504	732	130	2	0	2	15	14	0	29	0	0
" Summer st.,	1865	Dea. Chas L. Crover,	Orange C. Bailey, *p.*	'85	'94	42	79	121	20	10	7	17	1	0	0	1	7	3
" Plymouth,	1869	J. N. Greene,	Archibald McCullagh, *p.c.*	'71	'90	282	493	775		16	17	33	8	12	0	20	5	12
" Piedmont,	1872	Henry L. Miller,				268	467	735		9	16	25	5	20	0	25	4	6
" *Swedish*, 1st,	1880	Victor Sohlberg,	August L. Anderson, *p.*	'86	'94	123	163	286	3	39	16	55	0	6	18	24	0	15
" Pilgrim,	1885	Horace Hobbs,	Alexander Lewis, *p. c.*	'90	'96	174	341	515	20	31	47	78	7	13	1	21	19	8
" Park,	1887	Charles M. Smith,	Inman L. Wilcox, *p. c.*	'89	'91	58	161	219	35	18	12	30	1	10	0	11	15	2
" Covenant,	1889	Kendall Crossfield,	John E. Hurlbut, *p.*	'75	'90	26	59	85	12	3	4	7	1	1	0	2	2	0
" Hope,	1889	Robert Hamil,	Ellsworth W. Phillips, *p. c.*	'91	'91	65	113	178	10	6	10	16	1	4	0	5	1	14
" Lake View,	1890	John G. Logan,	John H. Matthews, *p.*	'91	'97	19	40	59	11	6	1	7	1	2	4	7	5	5
" Belmont,	1890	Henry M. Brownell,	William B. Oleson, *p.*	'77	'94	51	87	138		12	15	27	0	13	0	13	0	1
" Bethany,	1891	G. Edward Thayer,	Albert G. Todd, *p.*	'90	'93	26	65	91	28	2	4	6	0	3	0	3	1	0
" *Armenian*,	1892		[H. G. Benneyan, *Lic.*]		'96	65	10	75	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Immanuel,	1893	Dea. Chas. H. Putnam.	George S. Dodge, *p. c.*	'72	'9	47	71	118	10	6	3	9	1	3	0	4	3	6
" *Swedish*, 2d,	1894	A. J. Johnson,	John Udd, *p. c.*	'96	'96	59	67	126	2	39	0	39	1	0	3	4	0	4
Worthington,	1771	Dea. Albert J. Randall,	Edward C. Camp *p.*	'94	'94	43	103	146	31	9	6	15	1	3	0	4	8	2
Wrentham,	1692	Charles E. Brown,	Edward C. Hood, *p.*	'74	'92	38	109	147	22	2	3	5	4	6	0	10	1	4
Yarmouth,	1639	A. H. Eldridge, 2d,	John J. Walker, *p. c.*	'94	'97	25	111	136	21	0	0	0	5	1	0	6	0	1
" West,	1840	Miss Abbie B. Crowell,	Henry S. Kimball, *p.*	'66	'92	7	9	16	2	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	2

Whitinsville, *see* Northbridge. Wollaston, *see* Quincy. Woods Holl, *see* Falmouth.

CHANGES from last *Year-Book's* list of churches: *Added*, — Boston, Garrison Memorial; Brockton, Waldo; Brookline, Leyden; Groton, West; Leverett, Moore's Corner; Winthrop.
Omitted, — Alford; Worcester, Salem St. and Union are reorganized, and united in the present Union church.

CHURCHES: 274 with pastors installed by council; 241 with pastors otherwise inducted; 10 with supplies; 68 vacant (including 18 supplied by licentiates or ministers of other denominations). Total, 593.

MINISTERS: 280 pastors installed by council; 226 pastors otherwise inducted; 10 supplies; 271 others. Total, 787.

CHURCH MEMBERS: 35,331 males; 75,892 females. Total, 111,223, including 17,453 absent. Gain, 1,044.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Wilmington,	Maurice Buck,	150	80	100	65	30	5	5	0	41	2	3	71	157	0	1,200
Winchendon, 1st,	George B. Stone,	50	35	50	25	75	5	5	130	75	5	5	5	305	0	450
" North,	Dea. Henry S. Allen,	299	152	200	89	417	17	85	317	215	10	0	462	1,523	0	2,600
Winchester,	E. Lawrence Barnard,	440	278	342	106	1,503	133	143	1,354	551	132	137	1,065	5,018	0	7,948
Windsor,	C. B. Goodell,	65	40	90	43	1	0	0	12	5	5	0	2	25	0	435
Winthrop,	George S. Freeman,	50	30	50	15	0	0	0	6	30	9	0	5	50	0	628
Woburn,	Frank E. Cotton,	707	387	620	198	1,252	498	111	629	312	54	310	391	3,557	0	6,806
" North,	Dea. Benjamin F. Kimball,	188	130	125	107	129	11	19	49	11	7	0	6	232	0	1,532
" *Scand.*,	A. J. Simonson,	82	51	40	20	25	0	36	0	0	0	0	55	116	0	1,284
" Montvale,	William F. Greenough,	60	40	30	40	20	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	27	0	500
Worcester, 1st,	Charles D. Nye,	700	455	820	236	726	92	74	1,270	89	0	93	756	3,100	500	13,000
" Central,	U. W. Cutler,	577	288	445	68	896	201	48	1,262	210	28	1	5,681	8,327	0	8,400
" Union,	Daniel C. Turner,	430	236	450	125	1,413	620	487	4,422	594	58	43	376	8,013	0	7,578
" Summer st.,	Edward L. Smith,	126	84	73	58	0	0	0	0	85	0	0	75	160	0	2,356
" Plymouth,	John A. Tatman,	510	282	430	155	4,525	10,178	763	2,306	689	139	0	4,875	23,475	0	15,167
" Piedmont,	Andrew W. Edson,	570	353	300	120	2,179	225	31	2,800	200	67	17	1,500	7,019	0	17,963
" *Swed.*, 1st,	Eric Ljungquisk,	m345	275		0	0	0	0	120	0	0	0	439	559	0	4,171
" Pilgrim,	Benjamin F. Joslyn,	825	455	500	225	338	40	393	892	192	25	5	664	2,549	0	11,574
" Park,	Charles M. Smith,	330	174	300	95	76	23	27	150	17	6	0	13	312	0	4,400
" Covenant,	Henry M. Scribner,	191	98	130	40	25	0	0	40	0	2	0	0	67	0	1,216
" Hope,	Frank A. Thompson,	340	186	170	83	163	0	0	132	34	7	0	67	403	0	2,640
" Lake View,	John G. Logan,	150	94	77	68	25	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	50	0	1,050
" Belmont,	John A. Sherman,	335	167	65	100	121	0	0	12	0	0	0	67	200	0	2,189
" Bethany,	Charles H. Hill,	100	52	85	33	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	12	34	0	1,410
" *Armenian*,	D. Shooshanian,	15		12	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	170	200	0	1,000
" Immanuel,	John G. Murdock,	178	135	150	78	77	0	16	58	22	18	0	75	266	0	1,950
" *Swed.*, 2d,	A. P. Anderson,	237	193		0	77	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	85	0	
Worthington,	Perley A. Skelton,	127	62	90	43	30	2	2	34	50	2	0	0	120	0	1,070
Wrentham,	N. H. Fales,	168	99	125	105	244	0	18	105	9	35	9	78	498	0	2,378
Yarmouth,	Miss Maria Matthews,	80	47		35	50	5	5	195	100	20	0	0	375	0	1,700
" West,	Dea. Isaiah Crowell,	26	22	25	0	4	0	0	3	7	0	0	6	20	0	280

ADDITIONS: 3,382 by confession; 3,050 by letter. Total, 6,432.
REMOVALS: 1,848 by death; 2,590 by dismissal; 915 by discipline. Total, 5,353.
BAPTISMS: 1,633 adult; 1,616 infant.
IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 121,378. Gain, 3,410. Average, 70,421.
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Number, 531; 39,648 members.
FAMILIES: 560 churches reporting (575 last year), 84,872. Loss, 3,318.
BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: 580 churches reporting (575 last year): Foreign, $170,184; Education, $41,047; Church Building, $29,752; Home, $172,565; A. M. A., $53,089; Sunday School, $14,231; Ministerial Aid, $6,958; Other, $170,725. Total, $658,551. Decrease, $37,710.
BENEVOLENT LEGACIES: $55,114.
HOME EXPENDITURES: 566 churches reporting (562 last year), $1,587,443. Increase, $46,668.
ORGANIZATION: Twenty-five Conferences, united in THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

SUMMARIES.

THE CONFERENCES.		THE MINISTERS.					MEMBERS.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPTISMS.	
Name.	Year of Organization.	Churches.	With P. C.'s	With P.'s	With other Supplies.	Unsupplied.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.
Andover,	1859	27	17	5	1	4	1,921	4,420	6,341	1,294	218	142	360	112	151	39	302	83	106
Barnstable,	1828	23	2	13	0	8	406	1,237	1,643	273	60	23	83	50	18	6	74	42	16
Berkshire, N.,	1867	17	7	4	0	6	1,175	2,185	3,360	504	86	67	153	45	71	58	174	34	62
" S.,	1860	19	5	5	3	6	686	,403	2,089	412	62	56	118	45	48	23	116	42	31
Brookfield,	1821	22	9	12	0	1	1,001	2,192	3,193	626	62	75	137	68	92	18	178	34	40
Essex, N.,	1828	27	17	6	0	4	,479	3,566	5,045	576	96	77	173	86	60	9	155	53	42
" S.,	1827	37	26	10	0		,611	4,435	6,046	888	151	114	265	120	120	86	326	90	80
Franklin,	1843	28	5	21	0	2	1,293	2,312	3,605	547	132	110	242	60	91	25	176	88	57
Hampden,	1850	47	31	15	0		3,058	6,302	9,360	1,503	241	314	555	159	239	84	482	125	173
Hampshire,	1865	7	8	9	0	0	1,110	2,552	3,662	527	46	45	91	60	69	14	143	26	69
" E.,	1860	17	3	9	0	5	1,081	1,784	2,865	633	48	58	106	46	65	8	119	22	13
Mendon,	1858	3	4	6	0	3	606	1,576	2,182	440	80	41	121	46	60	2	108	45	26
Middlesex, S.,	1828	21		7	0	3	1,186	2,665	3,851	704	77	75	152	60	84	5	149	46	41
" Union,	1853	23	8	13	1		1,202	2,441	3,643	680	114	118	232	51	85	14	150	55	68
Norfolk,	1827	35	12	15	2	6	1,867	3,954	5,821	747	225	149	374	101	163	74	338	113	73
Old Colony,	1856	17	5	12	0	0	609	1,465	2,074	288	41	58	99	44	24	15	83	29	7
Pilgrim,	1830	14	4	8	1		271	888	1,159	203	28	22	50	19	22	3	44	16	7
Suffolk, N.,	1861	27	15	7	1	4	2,548	5,511	8,059	1,005	220	273	493	135	239	187	561	80	183
" S.,	1860	27	19	6	0	2	2,455	5,151	7,606	1,468	309	309	618	96	259	35	390	112	214
" W.,	1873	25	20	5	0	0	2,924	5,668	8,592	1,223	283	330	613	102	196	63	361	95	103
Taunton,	1849	24	10	12	0	2	1,005	2,327	3,332	520	138	65	203	54	59	21	134	81	60
Woburn,	1848	23	13	9	0	1	1,906	3,867	5,773	816	260	191	451	102	107	16	225	114	82
Worcester	1852	30	11	18	0	1	2,638	5,029	7,667	748	319	244	563	96	159	60	315	145	107
" N.,	1827	16	5	7	0	4	602	1,295	1,897	349	42	47	89	40	36	18	94	39	8
" S.,	1828	16	7	7	0	2	679	1,655	2,334	479	43	47	90	50	73	32	155	23	48
Associated with R. I.,		1			1		12	12	24	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Total,		593	274	241	10	68	35,331	75,892	111,223	17,453	3,382	3,050	6,432	1,848	2,590	915	5,353	1,633	1,616

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Name.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. Association.	Sunday Schools.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Andover,	$4,083	$890	$550	$6,760	$1,761	$420	$220	$11,000	$25,684	$996	$95,395
Barnstable,	507	27	37	781	223	71	1	356	2,003	136	17,140
Berkshire, N.,	6,294	1,871	557	4,980	1,666	364	284	5,279	21,295	3,456	40,668
" S.,	2,019	455	165	1,669	1,041	238	988	981	7,556	0	22,184
Brookfield,	3,387	997	620	4,406	2,389	545	280	1,743	14,367	0	34,514
Essex, N.,	3,277	573	301	3,546	1,533	247	38	4,386	13,901	1,013	52,431
" S.,	6,169	1,042	1,094	6,515	2,761	585	132	9,080	27,378	1,400	72,491
Franklin,	2,125	348	378	2,148	930	311	110	1,303	7,653	1,100	39,364
Hampden,	12,394	3,479	15,128	15,998	3,405	1,444	1,105	35,163	88,116	7,850	140,503
Hampshire,	3,684	542	411	3,661	1,552	173	143	3,384	13,550	1,112	34,555
" E.,	3,171	236	130	2,187	1,002	202	61	2,023	9,012	17,750	19,664
Mendon,	1,782	154	149	1,460	1,021	284	28	2,186	7,064	0	35,515
Middlesex, S.,	4 611	974	449	3,163	1,970	355	144	4,259	15,925	575	40,331
" Union,	3,679	529	291	2,793	2,083	398	135	2,326	12,234	7,100	106,671
Norfolk,	3,909	663	437	4,954	1,881	529	224	5,850	18,447	957	92,646
Old Colony,	2,007	340	84	3,094	486	157	105	1,734	8,007	0	35,403
Pilgrim,	866	64	72	733	465	148	16	276	2,640	400	15,621
Suffolk, N.,	9,453	1,111	877	12,986	2,338	787	446	8,141	36,139	1,925	128,830
" S.,	13,510	4,417	1,318	16,339	4,678	1,305	218	7,589	49,374	4,000	121,368
" W.,	50,663	4,541	2,415	39,537	7,490	2,849	599	22,555	130,649	0	141,136
Taunton,	4,469	1,751	483	6,412	1,427	517	25	14,074	29,158	44	51,879
Woburn,	6,864	1,401	715	4,837	3,419	558	1,190	5,243	24,227	1,000	79,834
Worcester,	12,405	11,806	1,975	15,158	3,029	485	220	16,019	61,097	2,750	122,579
" N.,	1,220	260	194	1,422	688	68	20	1,184	5,056	1,500	18,990
" S.,	7,636	2,576	920	7,021	3,846	1,191	226	4,591	28,007	50	27,455
Associated with R. I.,	0	0	2	5	5	0	0	0	12	0	276
Total,	$170,184	$41,047	$29,752	$172,565	$53,089	$14,231	$6,958	$170,725	$658,551	$55,114	$1,587,443

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Name.	Members.	Av. Attendance.	Families.	Y. P. S. C. E.	
				No.	Mem's.
Andover	6,587	3,842	4,869	26	2,103
Barnstable	1,788	855	1,336	16	637
Berkshire, N.	3,219	2,092	2,391	15	1,061
" S.	1,679	1,043	1,273	14	824
Brookfield	3,257	1,827	2,758	18	1,186
Essex, N.	5,749	3,168	4,994	22	1,758
" S.	8,215	4,762	5,381	36	3,069
Franklin	4,048	2,330	3,009	27	1,174
Hampden	9,294	5,754	6,717	38	2,778
Hampshire	2,714	1,701	2,292	16	934
" E.	2,048	1,233	1,538	14	894
Mendon	2,196	1,252	1,816	12	885
Middlesex, S.	3,802	2,243	2,970	18	1,358
" Union	3,435	2,061	2,724	22	1,300
Norfolk	7,934	4,155	4,850	34	2,716
Old Colony	2,442	1,373	2,095	15	739
Pilgrim	1,380	655	1,324	17	635
Suffolk, N.	10,426	5,800	6,185	25	2,448
" S.	9,382	6,504	6,210	25	2,994
" W.	7,474	3,981	3,111	19	2,026
Taunton	4,232	2,519	3,044	23	1,269
Woburn	7,254	4,001	4,864	23	2,591
Worcester	8,122	4,790	5,513	27	2,292
" N.	1,980	1,079	1,601	14	904
" S.	2,513	1,551	2,050	15	1,073
Associated with Rhode Island	387				
Total	121,557	70,571	84,845	531	39,648

SUMMARIES OF CHANGES DURING THE YEARS MENTIONED.

YEARS.	Churches.				Ministers.					Deaths.			Sabbath Schools.		Benevolent Contributions.	
	Number		Members.		The Pastorate											
	New.	Dropped.	Gain.	Loss.	Ordained.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Died.	Ordained without Installation.	Pastors by C.	Pastors.	Others.	Gain.	Loss.	Increase.	Decrease.
1897.	6	2	1,044	—	11	24	23	0	12	0	2	27	3,410	—	—	$37,710
1896.	1	1	705	—	10	25	22	1	16	1	3	18	52	—	$65,015	—
1895.	5	3	1,950	—	8	21	17	1	26	1	3	22	422	—	—	44,638
1894.	8	0	1,581	—	15	35	30	2	15	2	1	15	1,429	—	—	176,171
1893.	8	2	629	—	9	22	20	0	12	0	1	7	—	995	194,507	—
1892.	9	1	1,655	—	21	24	24	2	8	2	1	11	—	1,404	—	17,737
1891.	6	2	1,999	—	11	24	17	2	9	2	0	10	1,914	—	17,206	—
1890.	5	1	1,190	—	17	29	24	2	5	2	3	13	1,849	—	16,902	—
1889.	17	0	2,461	—	4	32	20	2	12	2	4	11	934	—	20,449	—
1888.	6	2	1,295	—	10	24	25	2	2	2	2	16	2,410	—	—	28,871 35
1887.	1	2	1,425	—	12	22	39	3	4	3	0	7	1,048	—	110,514 49	—
1886.	4	2	1,262	—	11	18	22	0	1	0	1	7	588	—	—	4,394 72
1885.	3	1	3,375	—	8	33	31	2	3	2	0	11	3,355	—	100,919 45	—
1884.	3	2	—	1,945	9	28	26	3	3	3	1	12	1,816	—	23,341 82	—
1883.	0	1	957	—	15	26	27	5	3	5	1	13	2,941	—	137,601 71	—
1882.	4	0	1,276	—	6	14	11	6	3	1	0	5	—	10,999	—	41,877 74
1881.	2	1	—	1,477	15	31	26	3	4	3	3	14	5,232	—	45,231 77	—
1880.	2	4	—	348	12	28	32	7	3	7	0	12	655	—	22,000 27	—
1879.	1	2	319	—	15	28	36	2	9	2	1	18	—	349	15,170 77	—
1878.	4	1	3,995	—	13	35	43	2	6	2	0	10	3,723	—	—	75,297 55
1877.	7	2	2,519	—	7	25	48	5	7	5	2	8	754	—	—	16,274 77
1876.	4	0	787	—	9	29	47	4	14	4	1	10	—	1,119	—	15,929 92
1875.	11	2	1,688	—	11	19	37	2	4	2	*	8	4,514	—	22,705 17	—
1874.	3	2	1,015	—	10	33	34	11	6	11		11	2,150	—	—	42,248 88
1873.	6	2	11	—	21	33	36	6	4	6		13	—	687	—	2,119 87
1872.	2	0	870	—	10	43	39	7	3	7		13	332	—	98,649 52	—
1871.	2	3	517	—	9	43	53	3	5	3		5	—	2,293	2,010 21	—
1870.	6	4	9	—	16	25	46	9	5	9		14	—	700	37,726 82	—
1869.	7	3	531	—	17	42	50	2	3	2		15	404	—	Unk'n	
1868	3	3	1,692	—	17	37	46	1	8	1		5	2,620	—	"	
1867.	5	2	2,879	—	12	33	59	2	10	2		15	3,713	—	"	
1866.	9	5	—	263	10	27	32	5		5		13	920	—	"	
1865.	8	8	1,099	—						1		6	—	775		
1860.	6	3	—	413						9		6	—	161		
1855.	5	1	532	—						6		6	940	—		
1851	2	2	2,467	—									2,249	—		

NOTE. — The "year" means what changes were comprised in the twelve months preceding January 1 of the year mentioned. The table was begun in 1866, all preceding years now given being compiled from past Minutes, — the number of churches in some years varying from the Minutes as they *were* to what they *should* have been.

The changes in list of churches, ordinations, installations, etc., for the past year, condensed in the above table, are given in detail in their proper place.

* Prior to 1876 "acting pastors" are included in "others" in columns of deaths of ministers.

CONTINUED TABLE OF SUMMARIES.

Year.	Churches.					Ministers.					Church Members, Jan. 1.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		In Sab. Schs.		Benevolent Contributions.
	With P. C.	With P.	With S.	Vacant.	Total.	P. C.	P.	S.	Others.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Ab'nt.	Prof.	Let	Total.	Death	Dism.	Disc.	Total.	Adult	Infant	Mem.	Av. Att.	
1897	274	241	10	68	593	280	226	10	271	787	35,331	75,892	111,223	17,453	3,382	3,050	6,432	1,848	2,590	915	5,353	1,633	1,616	121,557	70,571	$658,551
1896	281	224	15	69	589	287	214	15	270	786	35,038	75,141	110,179	17,216	3,786	2,964	6,750	1,849	2,650	936	5,435	1,326	1,661	118,379	69,581	696,261
1895	273	215	22	79	589	280	210	21	267	778	34,461	75,013	109,474	17,014	4,106	3,282	7,388	1,843	2,653	952	5,448	1,964	1,802	118,327	70,262	631,246
1894	267	203	27	90	587	271	194	22	293	780	34,032	73,492	107,524	16,957	3,733	3,269	6,993	1,935	2,730	721	5,386	1,849	1,804	117,905	70,790	675,884
1893	267	198	16	98	579	276	184	16	342	818	33,598	72,345	105,943	17,125	3,324	3,005	6,329	2,074	2,506	850	5,430	1,654	1,452	116,476	69,323	852,055
1892	265	195	11	102	573	275	199	11	315	800	33,433	71,881	105,314	15,865	3,617	3,170	6,787	1,916	2,721	475	5,112	1,840	1,643	117,471	68,640	657,548
1891	272	176	16	101	565	283	181	15	286	767	32,596	71,063	103,659	17,206	3,530	3,043	6,573	1,757	2,604	479	4,840	1,883	1,674	118,875	72,041	675,285
1890	268	190	23	80	561	278	178	22	276	754	32,133	69,527	101,660	17,595	3,836	3,159	6,995	1,754	2,744	913	5,411	1,930	1,377	116,961	68,574	658,079
1889	264	177	45	93	557	264	177	45	220	706	31,592	68,878	100,470	15,839	3,718	2,760	6,478	1,780	2,513	337	4,630	1,838	1,258	115,112	66,899	641,177
1888	261	204		75	540	277	165		236	678	29,465	64,712	97,707	15,541	3,882	2,839	6,721	1,788	2,313	185	4,286	2,013	1,229	114,178		678,950
1887	258	178		99	535	282	157		259	698	29,029	63,967	96,412	15,836	3,733	2,688	6,421	1,537	2,114	189	3,856	1,905	961	111,768		707,821
1886	277	189		70	536	289	165		211	665	28,577	62,697	94,987	15,931	3,752	2,687	6,440	1,688	2,170	150	4,011	1,843	1,025	110,720		597,307
1885	283	166		85	534	297	178		186	661	28,857	63,423	93,725	15,239	3,013	2,503	5,519	1,603	1,979	168	3,752	1,414	1,008	110,182		601,702
1884	283	169		80	532	300	155		186	641	27,777	62,573	90,350	13,877	2,800	2,071	4,871	1,587	1,979	141	3,707	1,451	800	106,827		500,782
1883	278	160		93	531	265	153		202	620	30,957	61,338	92,295	14,872	2,371	2,180	4,551	1,585	1,861	148	3,594	1,051	837	105,011		477,440
1882	274	178		80	532	278	143		215	636	28,073	61,135	91,238	14,392	2,153	2 001	4,168	1,682	1,724	137	3,539	1,103	966	94,977		349,839
1881	269	164		95	528	264	119		228	611	28,494	61,468	89,962	14,399	1,631	1,940	3,571	1,410	1,592	145	3,147	874	842	105,976		391,716
1880	280	171		75	526	284	164		185	633	29,045	62 394	91,439	14,584	1,761	1,835	3,596	1,454	1,745	151	3,350	922	968	100.744		346,485
1879	282	180		66	528	286	174		195	655	29,212	62,575	91,787	14,764	2,421	1,869	4,290	1,401	1,669	116	3,186	1,235	954	10,089		324,484
1878	277	174		78	529	289	169		194	643	28,995	62,473	91,468	14,100	5,698	2,577	8,275	1,418	2,066	159	3,643	3,103	1,353	100,438	62,290	309,314
1877	269	174		83	526	275	171		196	642	27,479	59,994	87,473	12,833	4,407	2,085	6,492	1,617	1,807	178	3,502	2,480	1,078	96,715		384,611
1876	289	163		69	521	292	162		187	641	26,580	58,374	84,954	13,177	3,103	2,244	5,347	1,531	2.163	89	3,783	1,616	1,153	95,961	61,391	400,886
1875	301	136		80	517	305	134		167	606	26,346	57,821	84,167	12,777	3,869	2,739	6,608	1,391	2,295	94	3,780	2,137	1,111	97,160	62,295	416,816
1874	307	116		85	508	314	116		166	596	25,810	56,669	82,479	12.506	2,329	2,279	4,608	1,380	1,902	67	3,349	1,112	1,012	92,646	60,036	394,111
1873	307	127		73	507	316	127		173	616	25,481	55,983	81,464	13 305	2,713	2,438	5,151	1,483	2,159	60	3,702	1,287	915	90,496	58,405	436,359
1872	299	123		81	503	304	123		164	591	25,426	56,027	81,453	13,874	2,560	2,151	4,720	1,350	2,177	79	3,906	1,236	882	91,183	61,571	438,479
1871	292	134		75	501	297	134		166	597	25,152	55,431	80,583	12,517	2,164	2,009	4,173	1,348	2,049	73	3,470	1,126	1,005	90,851	61,443	439,830
1870	294	119		80	502	298	117		176	591	24,915	55,151	80,066	11,983	2,381	2,476	4,857	1,359	2,308	82	3,749	1,218	1,103	93,144	62,217	337,820
1869	311	116		73	500	314	115		172	601	25,050	55,007	80,057	11,970	2,975	2,492	5,467	1,267	2,337	79	3,683	1,610	1,036	93,844	61,149	300,093
1868	301	113		82	496	307	112		156	575	24,734	54,792	79,526	11,509	3,513	2,163	5,676	1,170	2,122	58	3,350	1,928	1,072	93,440	62,782	298,533
1867	295	114		87	496	300	113		154	567	24,082	53,752	77,834	11,695	4,644	2,316	6,960	1,220	2,051	114	4,385	2,314	1,168	90,820	61,407	315,322
1866	310	109		74	493	316	107		166	589	25,177	51,178	74,055	11,147	2,153	1,696	3,749	1,307	1,703	98	3,108	1,010	987	87,107	60,036	392,244
1865	313	100		76	489	318	101		147	566	23,488	51,730	75,218	11,706	3,030	1,790	4,820	1,454	1,675	124	3,253	1,467	1,023	86,187	58,284	
1860	325	81		82	488	333	78		176	587	24,217	51,302	76,371	10,114	1,741	1,734	3,475	1,154	1,768	188	3,110	780	1,293	80,124		
1855	351	54		62	467	366	55		135	556	20,999	45,218	69,509	8,756	1,713	1,618	3,331	1,119	1,674	97	2,890	737	1,254	66,147		
1850	347	58		56	461	356	56						64,830		1,185	1,510	2,695	1,054	1,456	108	2,618	429	1,239	64,178		
1845					440								65,467											62,108		
1840					408								62,513											62.305		
1835					387								49,089											44,040		
1830					347								37,987											34,787		

In the above table, the columns of "Additions," "Removals," "Baptisms," "Sabbath School Average," and "Benevolent Contributions" cover the twelve months next preceding January 1 of the year mentioned in a given line. The number of *churches*, *members*, and of *Sabbath schools* was enumerated January 1 of the year mentioned. The number of churches "Vacant" includes all churches supplied by licentiates, or ministers of other denominations.

THE ASSOCIATIONS OF MINISTERS.

1. ANDOVER, Organized July 5, 1763.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
S. Winchester Adriance,	'79, May 22.	'84, Dec. 2.	Winchester.	W. C.
James Alexander,	'82, May 7.	'88.	*Newport, N. H.*	P.
Ernest L. Baker,	'94, Sept. 18.	'95, Feb. 26.	Dracut.	P. C.
Cecil F. P. Bancroft,	'67, May 1.	'90, Sept. 23.	Andover.	Prof.
Henry E. Barnes,	'62, May 28.	'94, Feb. 27.	N. Andover.	P. C.
Ernest C. Bartlett,	'96, March 12.	'96, Dec. 8.	Chelmsford.	P. C.
James M. Blue,	'96, July 14.	'96, Sept. 29.	Lawrence.	P.
Francis H. Boynton,	'64, Oct. 20.	'89, May 28.	Lawrence.	W. C.
Park A. Bradford,	'79, July 30.	'94, Sept. 25.	North Chelmsford.	P.
S. Ingersoll Briant,	'68, April 22.	'90, April 8.	North Chelmsford.	P.
Charles C. Carpenter,	'60, May 9.	'91, May.	Andover.	W. C.
Clark Carter,	'68, Feb. 13.	'73, June 3.	Andover.	C. M.
Edward A. Chase,	'84, May 28.	'89, Sept. 24.	Lawrence.	P. C.
J. Wesley Churchill,	'69, April 30.	'82, April 11.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Thomas G. A. Coté,	'71, April 9.	'82, April 11.	Lowell.	W. C.
Charles A. Dickinson,	'79, Sept. 27.	'84, Dec. 2.	Boston.	P. C.
George R. Dickinson,	'95, Oct. 9.	'96, Sept. 29.	Andover.	W. C.
John M. Greene,	'57, Oct. 20.	'71, June 28.	Lowell.	P. C.
Daniel W. Hardy,	'74, Oct. 20.	'95, Dec. 3.	Billerica.	P.
Edward Y. Hincks,	'70, Oct. 18.	'85, Dec. 15.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles W. Huntington,	'81, Sept. 6.	'88, June 5.	Lowell.	P. C.
Francis H. Johnson,	'61, Oct. 15.	'83, June 5.	Andover.	W. C.
George H. Johnson,	'77, July 6.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
George F. Kenngott,	'90, Oct. 8.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
David Kilburn,	'84, April 20.	'90, Sept. 23.	Pigeon Cove.	P.
Willis D. Leland,	'80, Jan. 23.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	P. C.
Robert A. MacFadden,	'96, June 12.	'96, Sept. 29.	Andover.	P. C.
Charles L. Merriam,	'82, Sept. 13.	'92, June.	Lowell.	P. C.
Selah Merrill.	'64, Nov. 1.	'74, Oct. 20.	Andover.	W. C.
Charles L. Mitchell,	'71, June 28.	'84, June 19.	Winchester.	W. C.
George F. Moore,	'78, Feb. 2,	'95, May 28.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Lewis W. Morey,	'82, Sept. 6.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	W. C.
Charles H. Oliphant,	'76, July 12.	'84, Oct. 28.	Methuen.	P. C.
Henry E. Oxnard,	'94, Nov. 13.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P.
Frederick H. Page,	'93, Nov. 23.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Edward W. Pride,	'69, June 10.	'92, June.	Andover.	W. C

1. ANDOVER (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Ryder,	'69, Dec. 14.	'88, Dec. 4.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Frank R. Shipman,	'93, Dec. 27.	'94, June 5.	Andover.	P. C.
John Phelps Taylor,	'68, Nov. 12.	'85, Nov. 3.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles H. Willcox,	'84, Nov. 6.	'84, Dec. 2.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Worcester Willey,	'44, Oct. 14.	'72, Oct. 4.	Andover.	W. C.
Frederick A. Wilson,	'82, Oct. 6.	'90, April 8.	Andover.	P. C.
William E. Wolcott,	'81, Sept. 21.	'82, Feb. 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Frank E. Woodruff,	'83, Sept. 6.	'85, Nov. 3.	*Brunswick, Me.*	Prof.

Licentiates. — 1895: John C. Campbell, Morrison E. Meriam, Julian H. Olmstead. — 1896: George H. Baker, George S. Ball, William T. Bartley, Frank E. Drake, Norman H. Dutcher, Edgar B. French, Byron F. Gustin, Frank W. Hodgdon, Albert W. Howes, Haleh H. Loud, George A. Merrill, Frank N. Saltmarsh, Henry H. Walker, Ernest M. Bartlett, Albert V. Bliss, Albert J. Lord, Bernard G. Mattson, William U. Parks, George A. Senter.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesday in December and fourth Tuesdays in February, May, and September.

Rev. Edward W. Pride, Andover, scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

George W. Andrews,	'82, June 7.	'84, Dec. 1.	Dalton.	P.
Stephen M. Andrews,	'67, May 21.	'90, Sept. 16.	*Millington, Ct.*	P.
John Bascom,	'59, Dec. 18.	'61, Jan. 28.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Edson L. Clark,	'59, Nov. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
Wm. W. Wallace Curry,	'75, April 14.		*Canaan Four Corn's, N. Y.*	
William V. W. Davis,	'77, Sept. 12.	'93, Dec. 19.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
John H. Denison,	'70, Jan. 30.	'85, Sept. 16.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Nathaniel H. Egleston,	'45, Feb. 19.	'77, Dec. 3.	*Washington, D. C.*	W. C.
Edward H. Griffin,	'68, Feb. 6.	'73, Dec. 1.	*Baltimore, Md.*	Dean Coll.
Theodore W. Harris,	'88, April 23.	'93, Mar. 7.	*New Lebanon, N. Y.*	P.
Samuel Harrison,	'50, Aug. 13.	'52, Nov. 8.	Pittsfield.	P.
Lucien C. Kimball,	'87, June 17.	'92, Dec. 6.	*Canterbury Depot, N. H.*	
James H. Laird,	'64, Dec. 21.	'85, Sept. 16,	Hinsdale.	P. C.
T. Claire Luce,	'85, Dec. 2.	'90, Dec. 2.	Richmond.	P.
William E. Morse,	'86, May 1.	'90, Dec. 2.	Dudley.	P.
Alford B. Penniman,	'83, Apr. 10.	'94, June 12.	Adams.	P. C.
James C. Seagrave,	'51, Dec. 1.	'87, Dec. 6.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
William Slade,	'88, Sept. 18.	'93, Feb. 21.	Williamstown.	P. C.
Isaac C. Smart,	'85, June 9.	'85, Sept. 16.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
Edward Strong,	'42, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 7.	Pittsfield.	W. C.
William L. Tenney,	'88, Sept. 20.	'95, Dec. 20.	North Adams.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — In March, June, September, and December.

Rev. James H. Laird, Hinsdale, scribe and treasurer.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Arthur J. Benedict,	'75, May 25.	'93, Jan. 31.	Housatonic.	P.
Leon D. Bliss,	'89, Oct. 31.	'96, Oct. 27.	Great Barrington.	P. C.
Irving A. Burnap,	'92, Sept. 15.	'92, Oct. 25.	South Natick.	P. C.
Albert J. Chittenden,	'62, Sept. 28.	'94, April 24.	Mill River.	W. C.
Walter W. Curtis,	'72, Mar. 20.	'83, Oct. 29.	West Stockbridge.	P.
J. Jay Dana,	'35, Sept. 9.	'86, Jan. 26.	Housatonic.	W. C.
Edward Day,	'86, Sept. 15.	'91, Jan. 27.	Lenox.	P. C.
Samuel Hopley,	'55, Sept. 19.	'90, Jan. 28.	Lee.	W. C.
Alonzo T. Lamb,	'93, July 26.	'95, Oct. 29.	W. Wareham.	P.
Telesphore Levique,	'91, April 1.	'93, May 2.		W. C.
Stephen T. Livingston,	'91, July 8.	'91, Nov. 10.	Willamstown.	W. C.
R. DeWitt Mallary,	'76, Oct. 12.	'80, July 12.	Lenox.	W. C.
Frederick R. Marvin,	'78, April 18.	'87, Oct. 25.	*Troy, N. Y.*	W. C.
Charles S. Rich,	'96, Sept. 29.	'96, Oct. 27.	Stockbridge.	P. C.
Lyman S. Rowland,	'64, Nov. 16.	'77, Oct. 29.	Lee.	P. C.
George T. Washburn,	'59, Mar. 22.	'59, July 25.	*Madura.*	Missionary.

Licentiate. — William J. Bartlett, Lee, lay preacher, Nov. 10, 1891.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October.

Rev. Edward Day, Lenox, scribe and treasurer.

4. BROOKFIELD, Organized June 22, 1757.

Austin B. Bassett,	'87, Sept. 15.	'91, April 21.	Ware.	P. C.
Oscar Bissell,	'56, May 14.	'93, Oct. 24.	Brimfield.	W. C.
Edward B. Blanchard,	'92, June 29.	'96, Jan. 14.	Brookfield.	P. C.
Sidney A. Burnaby,	'81, Sept. 21.	'94, July 3.	*Canaan, Ct.*	P.
D. Olin Clark,	'78, June 11.	'86, Nov. 15.	Worcester.	W. C.
Almon J. Dyer,	'86, June 4.	'93, April 18.	Cummington.	W. C.
Benson M. Frink,	'63, Jan. 9.	'94, Jan. 16.	W. Brookfield.	P.
Joseph F. Gaylord,	'67, Nov. 7.	'79, Oct. 15.	Barre.	P. C.
Harris G. Hale,	'91, Sept. 3.	'92, April 19.	Brookline.	P. C.
Silvanus Hayward,	'61, Oct. 9.	'81, April 19.	Globe Village.	P. C.
Amos Holbrook,	'66, May 9.	'96, Oct. 13.	Sturbridge.	W. C.
Robert J. Kyle,	'85, Sept. 12.	'97. Jan. 12.	Brimfield.	P.
Harlan Page,	'83, Feb. 6.	'95, July 2,	Hardwick.	P.
Augustus M. Rice,	'73, Dec. 17.	'94, July 3.	Sturbridge.	P.
Martin L. Richardson,	'60, Mar. 7.	'63, Sept. 13.	Montague.	P.
Laurent E. Rivard,	'94, June 19.	'95, April 16.	Ware.	W. C.
Uriel W. Small,	'59, Sept. 22.	'91, Jan. 13.		W. C.
Joseph J. Spencer,	'90, Oct. 1.	'91, Oct. 6.	N. Brookfield.	P. C.
Dwight C. Stone,	'88, May 22.	'96, April 14.	Gilbertville,	P. C.
Arthur Titcomb,	'88, Oct. 31.	'89, Jan. 5.	Springfield.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October.

Rev. Edward B. Blanchard, Brookfield, scribe.

5. CAPE COD (BARNSTABLE, 1792; BREWSTER, 1832; VINEYARD SOUND, 1836), Organized by union, October 16, 1866.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	'63, Feb. 17.	'82, Jan. 31.	Hyannis.	W. C.
Samuel B. Andrews,	'68, June 20.	'90, April 15.	West Granville.	P.
Lewis P. Atwood,	'55, April 3.	'85, Jan. 21.	*Westfield, Vt.*	P.
Samuel W. Clarke,	'74, Jan. 16.	'92, July 19.	W. Barnstable.	P.
Daniel L. Crafts,	'76, July 19.	'94, July 17.	Lynn.	W. C.
Henry K. Craig,	'55, Jan. 24.	'73, April 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
George S. Dodge,	'93, June 6.	'94, Jan. 16.	Woods Holl.	P.
Albert Donnell,	'83, June 20.	'96, Jan. 21.	*Slatersville, R. I.*	P.
William Harris,	'76, June 10.	'96, Jan. 21.	Truro.	P.
John W. Hayley,	'64, Sept. 23.	'95, Jan. 15.	Lowell.	W. C.
Artemas J. Haynes,	'94, Oct. 2.	'94, Oct 16.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William R. Joyslin,	'64, Feb. 4.	'92, April 19.	Charlemont.	P.
Henry S. Kimball,	'66, May 31.	'95, Oct. 29.	Hyannis.	P.
Dorrall Lee,	'74, Sept. 16.	'97, April 20.	Wellfleet.	P.
E. Irving Racket,	'94, May 9.	'94, July 17.	Orleans.	P. C.
John T. Rea,	'73, Aug. 8.	'79, Jan. 28.	*Exeter, N. H.*	W. C.
Daniel W. Richardson,	'62, Aug. 14.	'96, Aug. 4.	Chatham.	P.
Ezra J. Riggs,	'79, July 10.	'91, Nov. 10.	Provincetown.	P.
Robert Samuel,	'59, Nov. 3.	'84, Oct. 28.	Brewster.	W. C.
William F. Skerrye,	'96, Aug. 31.	'97, Jan. 19.	Provincetown.	P.
Ezra N. Smith,	'72, June 12.	'92, April 19.	N. Falmouth.	P.
John C. Staples,	'80, July 6.	'91, April 21.	New Bedford.	W. C.
Rufus B. Tobey,	'80, Nov. 30.	'81, Jan. 25.	Boston.	W. C.
John J. Walker,	'94, Dec. 11.	'97, April 20.	Yarmouth.	P. C.
Charles H. Washburn,	'85, Dec. 2.	'95, Aug. 20.	Falmouth.	P. C.
Chas. H. Whitney,	'71, Aug. 31.	'72, Jan. 16.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William H. Woodwell,	'73, June 12.	'89, June 11.	Sandwich.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October. Rev. Ezra N. Smith, N. Falmouth, secretary.

6. ESSEX NORTH, Organized September 6, 1761.

Charles Beecher,	'44, Nov. 2.	'57, Dec. 22.	Georgetown.	W. C.
George Benedict,	'83, Oct. 9.	'92, Dec. 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Louis F. Berry,	'94, June 26.	'94, Dec. 18.	*Montclair, N. J.*	Assist. P.
Arthur S. Burrill,	'96, Sept. 29.	'96, Dec. 15.	Haverhill.	Assist. P.
Isaac N. Carleton,	*Licentiate.*	'87, April 19.	Bradford.	Teacher.
George W. Christie,	'73, Dec. 11.	'93, Feb. 21.	Amesbury.	P.
Calvin M. Clark,	'90, Dec. 30.	'93, Dec. 19.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Samuel B. Cooper,	'87, Jan. 19.	'93, Oct. 17.	Rowley.	P.
F. Lincoln Davis,	'93, Nov. 8.	'94, April 17.	Ward Hill.	P. C.
John W. Dodge,	'60, Dec. 6.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Daniel T. Fiske,	'47, Aug. 18.	'47, Dec. 29.	Newburyport.	P. C.

6. Essex North (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
George L. Gleason,	'66, Feb. 1.	'84, May 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Albert W. Hitchcock,	'91, Dec. 15.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Charles L. Hubbard,	'68, Sept. 2.	'80, April 20.	West Boxford.	P. C.
Joseph Kimball,	'83, June 15.	'86, April 20.	Andover.	P.
John D. Kingsbury,	'56, Sept. 24.	'66, Oct. 17.	Bradford.	P. C.
George W. Lawrence,	'88, Feb 14.	'96, Dec. 15.	N. Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles E. Lord,	'44, May 8.	'90, Dec. 16.	Newburyport.	W. C.
John N. Lowell,	'77, Nov. 21.	'81, Feb. 21.	Haverhill.	P.
Henry R. McCartney,	'87, Jan. 20.	'92, April 19.	Georgetown.	P. C.
Charles P. Mills,	'80, Sept. 23.	'80, Dec. 21.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Vincent Moses,	'87, Oct. 2.	'92, Dec. 20.	Bradford.	W. C.
Frederick B. Noyes,	'90, Oct. 28.	'92, April 19.	West Newbury.	P. C.
Edwin B. Palmer,	'59, Sept. 20.	'76, June 20.	Winchester.	Tr. H. M. Soc.
Manasseh G. Papazian,	'90, May 28.	'90, Oct. 21.	*Aintab.*	Prof.
Myron O. Patton,	'94, May 29,	'95, Dec. 17.	Newburyport.	P. C.
John Pike,	'38, April 25.	'42, Oct. 31.	Rowley.	W. C.
George H. Reed,	'87, June 3.	'92, April 19.	Haverhill.	P. C.
John H. Reid,	'90, Aug. 10.	'93, Feb. 21.	Newburyport.	P.
George L. Richmond,	'87, Oct. 10.	'90, April 15.	Amesbury.	P. C.
Francis W. Sanborn,	'78, Dec. 18.	'85, Dec. 16.	Newbury.	P. C.
George H. Scott,	'73, Sept. 8.	'88, Feb. 21.	*Atkinson, N. H.*	P.
Egbert C. Smyth,	'56, July 23.	'67, April 19.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
John Rounds Smith,	'92, Sept. 1.	'93, Feb. 21.	Salem.	W. C.
George L. Todd,	'87, April 13.	'93, April 18.	Merrimac.	P. C.
David C. Torrey,	'92, June 1.	'92, Dec. 20.	Byfield.	P. C.
C. Julian Tuthill,	'94, May 1.	'95, Dec. 17.	Georgetown.	P. C.

Stated Meetings. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Haverhill, scribe.

7. Essex South and Salem (Essex South, September 3, 1717; Salem, October 15, 1840), Organized by union, December 1, 1885.

Israel Ainsworth,	'80, April 11.	'89, May 14.	Rockport.	P. C.
William P. Alcott,	'68, Feb. 18.	'81, Sept. 13.	Boxford	P. C. Linebrook.
James A. Anderson,	'89, Oct. 3.	'96, Mar. 10.	West Peabody.	P.
William A. Bacon,	'95, Oct. 1.	'95, Nov. 12.	Beverly.	P.
S. Linton Bell,	'76, Jan. 5.	'81, April 1.	Marblehead.	P. C.
Emery L. Bradford,	'92, July 1.	'94, Jan. 9.	Boxford.	P. C.
James F. Brodie,	'82, Feb. 21.	'89, Nov. 12.	Salem.	P. C.
John W. Buckham,	'88, Aug. 9.	'91, Jan. 13.	Salem.	P. C.
DeWitt S. Clark,	'68, Nov. 11.	'79, June 2.	Salem.	P. C.
Edward Constant,	'83, Aug. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Ipswich.	P.
Lyndon S. Crawford,	'79, Aug. 20.	'84, Jan. 8.	*Broosa, W. Turkey.*	F. M.

7. Essex South and Salem (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Temple Cutler,	'61, Feb. 20.	'86, Sept. 26.	W. Gloucester.	P.
Hugh Elder,	'68, Jan. 29.	'68, April 7.		W. C.
James E. Enman,	'95, Dec. 31.	'96, Mar. 10.	Magnolia.	P. C.
Edward C. Ewing,	'63, Nov. 5.	'83, Nov. 1.	Danvers Centre.	P. C.
Francis A. Fate,	'94, Nov. 1.	'95, Mar. 12.	Manchester.	P. C.
George E. Freeman,	'58, Oct. 6.	'96, Mar. 10.	Lynnfield.	P. C.
Curtis M. Geer,	'90, June 25.	'95, Mar. 12.	*Lewiston, Me.*	W. C.
Willis A. Hadley,	'78, Aug. 21.	'94, May 9.	Lynn.	P. C.
George A. Hall,	'86, April 13.	'86, Dec. 1.	Peabody.	P. C.
Rufus P. Hibbard,	'68, Aug. 4.	'88, Sept. 11.	Gloucester.	P. C.
Frederick A. Holden,	'85, Sept. 18.	'92, Nov. 15.	*Burlington, Ct.*	P.
George A. Jackson,	'72, Sept. 26.	'79, Jan. 14.	Swampscott.	W. C.
John A. Johnson,	'92, Aug. 6.	'95, Mar. 12.	Lynn.	P.
Frederic I. Kelley,	'89, Dec. 30.	'90, Mar. 11.	Dracut.	P.
John C. Labaree,	'62, Feb. 4.	'96, Nov. 10.	Saugus.	P.
Warren P. Landers,	'91, Dec. 2.	'92, Mar. 8.	Middleton	P. C.
O. T. Lanphear,	'49, Oct. 25.	'68, Feb. 11.	Beverly.	W. C.
Carl A. Lundgren,	'93, Aug. 17.	'94, May 9.	Waltham.	P.
Hugh McLeod,	'55, June 25.	'85, Jan. 13.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Albert W. Moore,	'73, Jan. 22.	'84, Mar. 11.	Lynn.	P. C.
William J. Murray,	'79, April 28.	'89, Mar. 12.	Essex.	P. C.
Jesse G. Nichols,	'94, Sept. 13.	'95, Jan. 8.	Hamilton.	P. C.
George W. Osgood,	'78, Jan. 26.	'96, May 26.	Lynn.	P.
Francis A. Poole,	'93, July 12.	'95, Jan. 8.	Topsfield.	P.
Aaron Porter,	'60, Nov. 20.	'88, Sept. 11.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank H. Reed,	'86, June 24.	'86, Dec. 1.	Lanesville.	P. C.
Charles B. Rice,	'59, Dec. 7.	'64, May 1.	Danvers Centre.	Sect.
Jotham B. Sewall,	'55, Feb. 28.	'95, Mar. 12.	Boston.	P.
J. Henry Thayer,	'59, Dec. 29.	'60, Mar. 6.	Cambridge.	Prof.
Francis J. Van Horn,	'93, Oct. 5.	'96, Mar. 10.	Beverly.	P. C.
Arthur N. Ward,	'79, Feb. 25.	'92, Jan. 12.	Wenham.	P.
T. Frank Waters,	'76, Oct. 23.	'79, Feb. 4.	Ipswich.	P. C.
Charles C. Watson,	'67, July 2.	'94, Jan. 9.	Lynn.	W. C.
Will C. Wood,	'68, Oct. 15.	'69, Jan. 12.	Boston.	W. C.

Stated Meetings. — Second Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Licentiate. — Peter Johnson, Pigeon Cove.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, scribe.

8. Franklin, Organized September 20, 1803.

Harry C. Adams,	'89, Oct. 22.	'89, Nov. 19.	Danvers Centre.	P. C.
Walter H. Ashley,	'78, Mar. 19.	'89, Nov. 19.	Shelburne Falls.	P.
G. Glenn Atkins,	'95, Jan. 2.	'95, Feb. 12.	Greenfield.	P.
George H. Bailey,	'67, Nov. 26.	'94, July 10.	Ashfield.	P.

8. FRANKLIN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Edgar F. Blanchard,	'94, Nov. 15.	'96, Feb. 11.	Warwick.	P.
Edward P. Butler,	'74, Oct. 20.	'90, June 12.	Sunderland.	P. C.
Andrew Campbell,	'96, Sept. 24.	'97, Feb. 9.	Deerfield.	P.
Silas P. Cook,	'70, Mar. 23.	'94, July 10.	*Keene, N. H.*	W. C.
John Cowan,	'75, May 25.	'88, May 12.	So. Deerfield.	P.
George L. Dickinson,	'76, Sept. 20.	'92, April 11.	Whately.	P. C.
Joseph A. Goodrich,	'96, Sept. 9.	'96, Sept. 15.	Shelburne.	P.
Alpheus C. Hodges,	'81, Nov. 16.	'82, Feb. 14.	Buckland.	P. C.
Dorr A. Hudson,	'91, Sept. 9.	'94, May 8.	Millers Falls.	P.
Eugene F. Hunt,	'84, Nov. 18.	'96, Sept. 15.	Conway.	P.
George W. Judson,	'87, July 1.	'90, June 12.	Orange.	P. C.
Thomas C. Kinne,	'75, June 28.	'93, Dec. 12.	Montague.	W. C.
Caldwell Morrison,	'93, Nov. 2.	'93, Dec. 12.	*Orange, N. J.*	W. C.
John A. Pogue,	'96, Jan. 28.	'96, May 12.	Hawley.	P. C.
Stephen H. Robinson,	'78, Sept. 7.	'88, Aug. 14.	*Ludlow, Vt.*	P.
Ira A. Smith,	'82, Sept. 27.	'88, Feb. 4.	Scotland.	P.
David H. Strong,	'85, June 16.	'88, Nov. 13.	Bernardston.	P.
Carey H. Watson,	'91, Dec. 30.	'93, July 5.	Greenfield.	P.
Lyman Whiting,	'43, Jan. 11.	'90, May 13.	East Charlemont.	P.
John A. Woodhull,	'56, Jan. 1.	'90, Nov. 11.	Plainfield.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Charles C. Duncan, John C. Wightman.

STATED MEETINGS. — Annual, second Tuesday in May. Other meetings, second Tuesdays in August, November, and February.

Rev. Andrew Campbell, Deerfield, scribe.

9. HAMPDEN, Organized February 13, 1894, by the union of Hampden West and East, which were formed June 11 and 12, 1844.

Simeon O. Allen,	'70, Dec. 1.	'91, Feb. 10.	West Springfield.	W. C.
Edward P. Armstrong,	'81, Feb. 15.	'87, Feb. 8.	*New Haven, Ct.*	Assist. P.
Stephen G. Barnes,	'81, April 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Longmeadow.	P. C.
Harlan P. Beach,	'83, July 19.	'93, Feb. 14.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Lyman H. Blake,	'67, Nov. 14.	'81, Dec. 6.	Westfield.	P. C.
Richard H. Bosworth,	'82, May 12.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	P. C.
Ralph W. Brokaw,	'77, July 18.	'89, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	P. C.
Henry J. Bruce,	'62, Sept. 11.	'62, Nov. 11.	*Rahuri, India.*	F. M.
S. G. Buckingham,	'37, May 24.	'47, Aug. 3.	Springfield.	P. C. Em.
Collins G. Burnham,	'79, Dec. 10.	'89, May 14.	Chicopee.	P. C.
Hanford M. Burr,	'88, Oct. 24.	'90, May 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Luther H. Cone,	'55, April 5.	'60, Feb. 7.	Springfield.	P. C.
Henry A. Dickinson,	'63, Oct. 16.	'68, Feb. 11.	Huntington.	P.
Myron S. Dudley,	'71, Sept. 28.	'87, Feb. 8.	Nantucket.	P.
Aaron W. Field,	'72, Nov. 13.	'81, Feb. 8.	New Marlboro.	P.
Frank L. Garfield,	'93, Feb. 21.	'93, April 11.	Feeding Hills.	P. C.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Lewis F. Giroux,	'89 April 17.	'89, Nov. 12.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Frank L. Goodspeed,	'87, June 29.	'95, April 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Franklin S. Hatch,	'76, May 7.	'89, Feb. 12.	Monson.	P. C.
Theron H. Hawks,	'55, Mar. 5.	'88, July 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Edward C. Haynes,	'82, April 18.	'95, Nov. 12.	Huntington.	P.
Timothy A. Hazen,	'54, Oct. 11.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Martin S. Howard,	'56, Nov. 20.	'69, Feb. 2.	Wilbraham.	P. C.
William T. Hutchins,	'76, Dec. 20.	'92, Nov. 7.	Indian Orchard.	P. C.
Frank E. Jenkins,	'81, May 18.	'93, Nov. 14.	Palmer.	P. C.
David L. Kebbe,	'91, June 17.	'91, July 14.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward H. Knight,	'83, July 25.	'83, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gerald Stanley Lee,	'88, Oct. 23.	'95, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	W. C.
Samuel H. Lee,	'62, Sept. 17.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	Pres. Coll.
John H. Lockwood,	'71, Nov. 5.	'79, Nov. 11.	Westfield.	P. C.
Clarence C. Lyon,	'90, Dec. 17.	'94, Nov. 13.	Monson.	W. C.
F. Barrows Makepeace,	'73, June 19.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Samuel L. Merrell,	'50, Jan. 8.	'82, Nov. 14.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry C. Meserve,	'94, Mar. 14.	'94, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	P. C.
Simeon Miller,	'46, May 7.	'36, June 8.	Springfield.	W. C.
Philip S. Moxom,	'71, Sept. 19.	'96, Feb. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Egbert N. Munroe,	'81, May 4.	'89, Nov. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Sidney K. Perkins,	'80, July 20.	'94, July 10.	W. Springfield.	P.
Ralph Perry,	'44, Jan. 3.	'44, June 11.	Agawam.	W. C.
Hervey G. Pillsbury,	'82, Sept. 28.	'95, July 9.	Chicopee Falls.	P. C.
Paul H. Pitkin,	'66, Sept. 11.	'82, May 9.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Abram J. Quick,	'64, Mar. 7.	'91, Nov. 10.	Ludlow.	P. C.
David A. Reed,	'81, June 7.	'81, June 12.	Springfield.	Pres. S.C.W.
Edward A. Reed,	'71, June 14.	'88, Feb. 14.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Walter Rice,	'65, July 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Agawam.	P. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	'59, Oct. 25.	'95, April 9.	West Hawley.	P.
A. Lincoln Shear,	'90, April 9.	'96, Nov. 10.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Alpheus M. Spangler,	'88, June 22.	'88, Nov. 13.	Mittineague.	P. C.
Frank M. Sprague,	'75, Sept. 22.	'82, May 9.	*Tampa, Fla.*	P.
Richard L. Swain,	'84, Aug. 21.	'94, July 10.	S. Hadley Falls.	P. C.
Charles S. Sylvester,	'59, Oct. 20.	'66, Sept. 4.	Feeding Hills.	W. C.
William J. Tate,	'92, Nov. 16.	'93, April 11.	*Lockport, N. Y.*	P.
John L. R. Trask,	'67, Dec. 4.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	P. C.
James Tufts,	'44, Sept. 23.	'54, Feb. 2.	Monson.	Teacher.
Josiah G. Willis,	'76, Oct. 10.	'88, Nov. 13.	Holland.	P.
George W. Winch,	'75, Oct. 6.	'91, Nov. 10.	Holyoke.	P. C.

Licentiate. — 1893, James H. Tufts.

STATED MEETINGS. — In Springfield, second Tuesdays in February, April, July, and November.

Rev. Collins G. Burnham, Chicopee, scribe.

10. HAMPSHIRE, Organized before 1735.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
George H. Buck,	'94, July 5.	'94, Oct. 16.	Haydenville.	P.
Edward C. Camp,	'94, Oct. 10.	'95, June 11.	Worthington.	P.
Solomon Clark,	'41, June 13.	'61, Aug. 6.	Northampton.	P.
Elisha G. Cobb,	'60, June 20.	'67, Feb. 5.	Florence.	P. C.
Harlan Creelman,	'89, Sept. 17.	'90, Feb. 11.	*New Haven, Ct.*	Prof.
Henry L. Edwards,	'57, July 12.	'85, Feb. 17.	Northampton.	W. C.
William Gallagher, jr.,	'74, Dec. 1.	'89, Feb. 19.	S. Braintree.	Teacher.
George M. Gerrish,	'94, June 8.	'94, Oct. 16.	Thorndike.	P.
Charles H. Hamlin,	'76, Sept. 19.	'85, Oct. 27.	Easthampton.	P. C.
Elihu Loomis,	'51, Oct. 22.	'86, June 9.	Bedford.	W. C.
Wm. J. Parmelee, M.D.	'84, Feb. 26.	'92, Feb. 2.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
Cyrus Pickett,	'67, Feb. 28.	'96, Oct. 20.	Northampton.	W. C.
Harvey Porter,	'80, Aug. 3.	'80, June 1.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Prof. Coll.
Wilbur Rand,	'83, May 9.	'95, June 11.	Huntington.	P.
Henry T. Rose,	'70, May 29.	'95, Feb. 5.	Northampton.	P. C.
Joseph H. Sawyer,	'88, Sept. 3.	'80, June 1.	Easthampton.	Prof.
William C. Scofield,	'51, Oct. 15.	'95, June 11.	*Washington, D. C.*	W. C.
L. Clark Seelye,	'63, Jan. 20.	'75, Feb. 2.	Northampton.	Pres. Coll.
Samuel T. Seelye,	'46, June 17.	'64, Feb. 2.	Easthampton.	W. C.
Henry H. Smith,	'73, Sept. 7.	'94, June 5.	Huntington.	W. C.
Henry S. Snyder,	'86, Oct. 28.	'89, Feb. 19.	Weymouth.	P. C.
Joseph W. Strout,	'86, June 29.	'95, Oct. 29.	Cummington.	P.
Hanson E. Thygeson,	'87, Nov. 2.	'95, Oct. 29.	Chesterfield.	P.
Arthur C. Townsend,	'91, June 10.	'92, Feb. 2.	Westhampton.	P. C.
Henry M. Tyler,	'72, May 6.	'84, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	Prof.
Rufus S. Underwood,	'67, Nov. 19.	'87, June 14.	Longmeadow.	Evan.
George N. Webber,	'55, Dec. 5.	'90, Oct. 28.	Northampton.	W. C.
Irving F. Wood,	'94, Mar. 6.	'96, June 2.	Northampton,	Prof. Coll.
Sumner G. Wood,	'80, Dec. 30.	'89, Feb. 9.	Easthampton.	P. C.

Licentiate. — George C. Richmond.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February and June, and third Tuesday of October.

Rev. E. G. Cobb, Florence, scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST, Organized November 16, 1841.

Warren H. Beaman,	'41, Sept. 15.	'41, Nov. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Robert C. Bell,	'69, Nov. 3.	'92, Dec. 6.	Granby.	P.
Daniel Bliss,	'55, Oct. 31.	'74, Sept. 22.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Pres. Coll.
Frederick H. Bodman,	'95, May 27.	'96, Dec 1.	Amherst,	W. C.
Edward P. Crowell,	*Licentiate.*	'65, Sept. 19.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
William E. Dickinson,	'60, Dec. 19.	'97, Feb. 3.	Amherst,	W. C.
Levi H. Elwell,	*Licentiate.*	'80, Dec. 21.	Amherst.	Inst. in Coll.
Henry Fairbank,	'86, May 27.	'85, May 26.	*Ahmednagar, India.*	F. M.
George E. Fisher,	'50, Feb. 27.	'67, Dec. 17.	No. Amherst.	W. C.
Eber W. Gaylord,	'73, May 13.	'90, Dec. 2.	No. Amherst.	P. C.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
John F. Gleason,	'73, Jan. 7.	'95, May 28.	S. Amherst.	P.
Edwin A. Grosvenor,	'72, July 30.	'96, Feb. 4.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
William D. Herrick,	'60, Jan. 18.	'84, Sept. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Charles E. Houghton,	'76, May 24.	'89, May 28.	Prescott.	P.
Oliver Huckel,	'90, Sept. 10.	'96, May 26.	*Baltimore, Md.*	P. C.
Newton I. Jones,	'75. July 15.	'94, May 29.		W. C.
Edward E. Keedy,	'94, Oct. 16.	'94, Dec. 4.	Hadley.	P.
John W. Lane,	'60, Oct. 16.	'61, Jan. 9.	North Hadley.	P. C.
William D. Love,	'48, April 4.	'79, Sept. 16.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	W. C.
George Lyman,	'51, Nov. 12.	'70, Dec. 20.	*Riverside, Cal.*	W. C.
Lawrence Perry,	'94, May 10.	'96, May 26.	Greenwich.	P.
Nelson Scott,	'46, Sept. 24.	'80, Feb. 17.	Amherst.	W. C.
John E. Tuttle,	'83, May 22.	'94, May 29.	Worcester.	P. C.
William S. Tyler,	'59, Oct. 5	'58, May 11.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
Charles S. Walker,	'71, Aug. 1.	'81, Sept. 20.	Amherst.	Pr. of Ag. Coll.
Edward C. Winslow,	'81, Nov. 2,	'96, May 26.	Amherst.	Teacher.
Robert M. Woods,	'77, Nov. 21.	'77, Dec. 4.	Hatfield.	P. C.
Chas. L. Woodworth,	'49, Nov. 7.	'93, Dec. 5.	Amherst.	P.

Licentiates. — Edward P. Crowell, re-licensed May 23, 1893; W. L. Montague, re-licensed Dec. 4, 1894; L. H. Elwell, re-licensed Dec. 1, 1896.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, June, and December, and third Tuesday of September.

Rev. Geo. E. Fisher, North Amherst, scribe.

12. MENDON, Organized November 8, 1751.

John F. Crosby,	'92, Mar. 30.	'94, Dec. 4.	W. Medway.	P.
Nathan T. Dyer,	'78, July 31.	'90, Dec. 9.	Ashburnham.	P.
Joseph M. R. Eaton,	'45, Jan. 9.	'71, Mar. 14.	*Redlands, Cal.*	W. C.
James W. Flagg,	'82, Oct. 25.	'93, June 13.	Foxboro.	P.
Rufus K. Harlow,	'68, Oct. 15.	'72, June 11.	Medway.	P. C.
Edward C. Hood,	'74, May 8,	'96, Dec. 1.	Wrentham.	P.
Alexis W. Ide,	'59, July 7.	'72, June 12.	West Medway.	W. C.
Jacob Ide,	'56, Mar. 26.	'56, April 15.	Mansfield.	P. C.
Ephraim O. Jameson,	'60, Mar. 1.	'72, June 11.	Boston.	W. C.
Franklin C. Jones,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, April 7.	Norfolk.	W. C.
Charles W. Longren,	'87, Aug. 24,	'95, Feb. 12,	Franklin.	P.
Francis J. Marsh,	'76, Mar. 26.	'82, Mar. 14.	Boston.	W. C.
Edson J. Moore,	'61, April 1.	'86, Sept. 21.	Norfolk.	P.
Frank C. Putnam,	'94, Sept. 12.	'94, Oct. 2.	Walpole.	P. C.
William L. Ropes,	'53, Sept 14.	'53, Oct. 11.	Andover.	Librarian.
William M. Thayer,	'49, June 20.	'72, Mar. 12.	Franklin.	W. C.
Horace Wellington,	'47, Oct.	'89, Dec. 10.	Roxbury.	W. C.
Albert H. Wheelock,	'88, July 3.	'94, Mar. 13.	Millis.	P.
Webster Woodbury,	'68, Sept. 29.	'88, June 13.	Milford.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, April, October, and December.

Rev. Rufus K. Harlow, Medway, scribe.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH, Organized June 7, 1830.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Daniel E. Adams,	'60, Dec. 5.	'86, Dec. 7.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
George M. Adams,	'51, Sept. 18.	'73, Sept. 9.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Merrill Blanchard,	'81, Mar. 23.	'93, May 2.	Maynard.	P.
Edward E. Bradley,	'93, June 20.	'94, Dec. 4.	Lincoln.	P. C.
George A. Brock,	'91, June 29.	'92, May 3.	Saxonville.	P. C.
Edward L. Chute,	'80, July 20.	'85, Sept. 14.	Ware.	P.
Edmund Dowse,	'38, Oct. 10.	'39, Feb. 5.	Sherborn.	P. C.
Willis E. Dudley,	'92, Sept. 21.	'94, Dec. 4.	*Niagara Falls, N.Y.*	P. C.
Horace Dutton,	'68, Jan. 21.	'75, Sept. 21.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Lucius R. Eastman,	'62, May 1.	'71, Dec. 2.	Framingham.	P. C.
Fred E. Emrich,	'75, Sept. 16.	'90, Sept. 16.	So. Framingham.	P. C.
Prescott Fay,	'56, Feb. 27.	'96, Feb. 4.	Saxonville.	W. C.
Robert F. Gordon,	'76, May 12.	'90, Feb. 4.	Weston.	P.
Lewis W. Hicks,	'74, Sept. 10.	'93, May 2.	*Hartford, Ct.*	W. C.
Theodore J. Holmes,	'59, Oct. 5.	'94, Sept. 18.	Hopkinton.	P. C.
Thomas C. Jackson,	'82, Aug.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Reed's Ferry, N. H.*	P.
Jesse H. Jones,	'61, May 19.	'69, Oct. 5.	North Abington.	W. C.
Truman A. Merrill,	'58, July 14.	'88, May 1.	Malden.	W. C.
Martin F. Mevis,	'93, Sept. 18.	'94, May 1.	Southboro.	P.
Francis N. Peloubet,	'57, Dec. 2.	'72, Feb. 6.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Lewis E. Perry,	'85, July 15.	'95, Feb. 5.	Paxton.	P.
Clarence W. Rouse,	'90, Dec 4.	'95, Dec. 3.	S. Sudbury.	P. C.
Albert D. Smith,	'88, Oct. 4.	'97, Feb. 2.	Northboro.	P.
William F. Stearns,	'89, Dec. 11.	'94, Dec. 4.	*Norfolk, Ct.*	P. C.
Frederic E. Sturgis,	'68, Oct. 1.	'86, May 6.	Natick.	P. C.
Charles L. Tomblen,	'77, Aug. 30.	'95, Dec. 3.	Ashland.	P.
Nicholas Vander Pyl,	'93. Sept. 13.	'96, May 5.	Holliston.	P. C.
Philo B. Wilcox,	'51, May 14.	'93, May 2.	Northboro.	W. C.
John Wood,	'40, April 8.	'71, Dec. 5.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
Granville Yager,	'76, June 20.	'92, Sept. 20.	Hingham.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, May, and December, third Tuesday in September.

Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wellesley Hills, scribe.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION, Organized January, 1827.

James M. Bell,	'58, July 21.	'93, Nov. 21.	N. Leominster.	P.
Augustus A. Bickford,	'78, May 9.	'90, Nov. 18.	Westford.	W. C.
Henry E. Bray,	'89, Jan. 30.	'93, Jan. 17.	S. Framingham.	W. C.
Charles S. Brooks,	'69, Sept. 15.	'87, Sept. 20.	Hyde Park.	W. C.
Wilson R. Buxton,	'94, May 2.	'94, Nov. 20.	So. Acton.	P.
Walter W. Campbell,	'90, Nov. 12.	'90, Nov. 18.	Concord.	P.
Bernard Copping,	'79, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 17.	Acton.	P. C.
Henry C. Crane,	'73, Sept. 9.	'93, May 23.	*Central Village, Ct.*	P.
Amelia A. Frost,	'94, Feb. 14.	'94, Nov. 20.	Littleton.	P. C.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
George B. Frost,	'83, June 7.	'94, May 22.	Littleton.	W. C.
Henry H. Gay,	'89, April 16.	'92, Mar. 15.	Groton.	W. C.
Edward L. Gulick,	'89, Dec. 3.	'91, Sept. 15.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Horace F. Hallett,	'91, July 7.	'96, Jan. 21.	Ayer.	P.
George R. Hewitt,	'86, June 4.	'95, Mar. 19.	Fitchburg.	P.
Edwin R. Hodgman,	'49, May 17.	'51, May 6.	Townsend.	W. C.
Henry M. Holmes,	'65, May 10.	'79, Jan. 7.	Provincetown.	W. C.
Alfred S. Hudson,	'67, Dec. 19.	'84, Dec. 30.	Ayer.	P.
John E. B. Jewett,	'51, Sept. 10.	'61, May 7.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Richard H. Kennedy,	'92, Sept. 29.	'96, Nov. 17.	Pepperell.	P.
Joel D. Miller,	'66, April.	'71, July 5.	Leominster.	Editor.
Horace Parker,	'61, May 31.	'64, Mar. 1.	W. Tisbury.	P.
Albert B. Peabody,	'60, May 24.	'92, Mar. 15.	Boxboro'.	P.
William J. Robinson,	'91, June 9.	'93, Jan. 17.		W. C.
Charles H. Rowley,	'81, Feb. 23.	'86, Mar. 2.	Townsend.	P.
Geo. R. W. Scott,	'68, Sept. 17.	'81, Jan. 11.	Leominster.	P.
George A. Tewksbury,	'63, Dec. 21.	'95, Sept. 17.	Concord.	P.
Nathan Thompson,	'65, Sept. 13.	'77, Sept. 4.	*Baltimore, Md.*	W. C.
Ole O. Thorpe,	'94, Mar. 1.	'96, Jan. 21.	Concord.	P. C.
Charles C. Torrey,	'55, Sept. 7.	'86, Sept. 21.	Harvard.	P.
Joseph Torrey,	'60, May 30.	'94, Jan. 16.	Shirley.	P.
Louis B. Voorhees,	'71, Dec. 6.	'94, May 22.	Groton.	P. C.
William S. Walker,	'91, Oct. 26.	'92, Jan. 19.	*Dorset, Vt.*	P.
Bartlett H. Weston,	'90, May 29.	'90, May 20.	Dunstable.	P.
Franklin P. Wood,	'71, July 24.	'73, May 6.	Acton.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. William J. Batt, scribe and treasurer.

15. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION, Organized May 11, 1811.

William H. Alexander,	'91, Oct. 29.	'96, April 21.	*England.*	W. C.
Henry Clay Alvord,	'79, Sept. 10.	'87, Feb. 15.	South Weymouth.	P. C.
William T. Beale,	'82, June 7.	'95, Dec. 17.	Campello.	P. C.
E. Victor Bigelow,	'91, Sept. 24.	'91, Dec. 15.	Cohasset.	P. C.
Frank E. Butler,	'87, June 22.	'96, Dec. 15.	South Weymouth.	P.
Charles F. Clarke,	'92, Dec. 7.	'97, Feb. 16.	Campello.	A. P.
Daniel Evans,	'91, May 26.	'91, Dec. 15.	East Weymouth,	P. C.
Wilson S. Fritch,	'93, April 22.	'96, June 16.	Abington.	P. C.
Augustus A. Fuller,	'78, Oct. 17.	'95, Feb. 19.	South Easton.	P.
Edwin N. Hardy,	'90, Nov. 6.	'95, Dec. 17.	Quincy.	P. C.
Calvin G. Hill,	'72, Sept. 5.	'84, June 10.	Malden.	Ch. Miss.
Charles A. Hilton,	'73, June 9.	'94, Feb. 20.	Randolph.	P. C.
Alan B. Hudson,	'92, Dec. 28.	'93, April 18.	Brockton.	P.
Frank S. Hunnewell,	'88, June 27.	'92, Feb. 16.	Whitman.	P.

15. Norfolk Association (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Emerson L. Hunt,	'94, Oct. 24.	'95, Feb. 19.	*Ellsworth Falls, Me.*	P.
Henry S. Huntington,	'66, Jan. 31.	'91, Oct. 17.	Milton.	P.
Walter P. Hutchinson,	'93, April 19.	'94, April 17.	N. Abington.	P.
Robert R. Kendall,	'78, Jan. 30.	'92, Dec. 20.	Weymouth Heights.	P. C.
Joseph Kyte,	'62, Sept. 25.	'96, Feb. 18.	S. Braintree.	W. C.
John M. Lord,	'51, Dec. 21.	'93, Dec. 19.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Warren F. Low,	'94, Sept. 4.	'95, Feb. 19.	Holbrook.	P. C.
Samuel Morrison,	'65, Oct. 24.	'90, Oct. 28.	Braintree.	W. C.
Edward Norton,	'64, Dec. 28.	'75, Jan. 26.	Quincy.	P.
Karl F. Ohlson,	'88, Dec. 6.	'95, June 11.	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*	P.
Frank H. Palmer,	'80, Sept. 28.	'86, April 20.	Matfield.	P.
Elbert S. Porter,	'83, Dec 19.	'89, Oct. 29.	Bridgewater.	P. C.
John Sharp,	'90, April 30.	'94, June 19.	*Mannsville, N. Y.*	P.
Albert K. Teele,	'45, July 15.	'52, April 27.	Milton.	P. Em.
Franke A. Warfield,	'71, June 10.	'82, June 13.	*Omaha, Neb.*	P. C.
Isaac C. White,	'50, Oct. 23.	'90, June 10.	Plymouth.	W. C.

Licentiates. — Edward O. Grover, Arlington, May 8, 1873; Morris H. Turk, Oct. 28, 1896.

Stated Meetings. — Last Tuesday in October, third Tuesdays in December, February, and April, and second Tuesday in June.

Rev. Robert R. Kendall, Weymouth Heights, scribe and treasurer.

16. Old Colony, Organized August 18, 1810.

Harry L. Brickett,	'83, May 23.	'96, Feb. 12.	Marion.	P. C.
William Carruthers,	'58, June 16.	'92, Feb. 10.	Holyoke.	C. M.
John Graham,	'90, Jan. 17.	'90, Feb. 12.	Westport.	P.
Henry M. Grant,	'63, Nov. 17.	'79, Oct. 22.	*Charleston, S. C.*	P.
Ivory H. B. Headley,	'77, Jan. 4.	'80, April 28.	Roslindale.	Evan.
Charles F. Hersey,	'93, Jan. 25.	'94, Nov. 14.	New Bedford.	W. C.
George W. C. Hill,	'95, Sept. 11.	'95, Nov. 13.	Acushnet.	P. C.
Robert Humphrey,	'83, July 17.	'97, Feb. 10.	Mattapoisett.	P.
Matthew C. Julien,	'72, Dec. 11.	'78, July 30.	New Bedford.	P. C.
John A. MacColl,	'83, Jan. 31.	'90, Feb. 12.	New Bedford.	P. C.
George H. Perry,	'88, April 7.	'93, Nov. 15.	Westport.	W. C.
Robert L. Rae,	'89, Oct. 14.	'90, Feb. 12.	Brockton.	P.
Albion H. Ross,	'91, Oct. 13.	'96, Feb. 12.		W. C.
George W. Stearns,	'83, Aug. 1.	'95, Nov. 13.	Middleboro.	P. C.
Richard G. Woodbridge,	'81, April 6.	'94, Nov. 14.	Middleboro.	P. C.

Licentiate. — Joseph Wheelwright, Hebron, N. H.

Stated Meetings. — Second Wednesdays in February, May, and November.

Rev. Robert L. Rae, 12 Argyle avenue, Brockton, scribe.

17. PLYMOUTH. Organized May 18, 1858.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Ebenezer Alden,	'43, Nov. 3.	'58, May 18.	Marshfield.	P. Em.
John W. Brownville,	'73, Dec. 18.	'85, Nov. 17.	Erving.	P.
Austin S. Chase,	'76, Dec 14.	'93, May 8.	*E. Hartford, Ct.*	W. C.
Zenas Crowell,	'77, Dec. 19.	'86, Nov. 16.	Kingston.	P. C.
Ernest C. Davis,	'94, Dec. 5.	'95, Nov. 19.	Plympton.	P.
Oscar F. Davis,	'95, Jan. 16.	'95, Nov. 19.	Chiltonville.	W. C.
Louis Ellms,	'89, Aug. 9.	'93, Nov. 21.	*Newcastle, N. H.*	P.
Vaola J. Hartshorne,	'65, Jan. 16.	'91, Nov. 17.	South Hanover.	W. C.
Adoniram J. Leach,	'89, April 7.	'93, Nov. 21.	Marlboro.	W. C.
Frederic W. Manning,	'91, Dec. 31.	'92, Aug. 16.	Marshfield.	P. C.
Solomon G. Merrick,	'86, Sept. 2.	'96, Nov. 17.	Duxbury.	P.
Francis Moon,	'80, July 2.	'89, Nov. 19.	Chiltonville.	W. C.
George H. Morss,	'64, May 11.	'95, Feb. 19.	*Oakdale, Ct.*	P.
Ernest W. Shurtleff,	'89, Nov. 16.	'92, Aug. 16.	Plymouth.	P. C.
George Sterling,	'74, Dec. 8.	'95, Feb. 19.	Windsor.	P.
John Wild,	'92, April 20.	'92, Aug. 16.	Hanover.	P.
George W. Wright,	'77, Dec. 5.	'93, Nov. 21.	Boston.	W. C.

Licentiate. — George H. Hefflon, May 14, 1895.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, May, August, and November

Rev. Zenas Crowell, Kingston, scribe.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH, Organized July 2, 1822.

Milan C. Ayres,	'74, May 30.	'85, Feb. 15.	Newton Centre.	Editor.
Smith Baker,	'60, July 30.	'94, April 4.	E. Boston.	P. C.
David N. Beach,	'76, June 15.	'85, Feb. 17.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	P. C.
Charles E. Beals,	'94, April 8,	'97, Jan. 26.	E. Boston.	Asst. P.
Joseph P. Bixby,	'62, April 30.	'79, Sept. 16.	Revere.	W. C.
Howard A. Bridgman,	'90, Nov. 19.	'87, Dec. 13.	Boston.	Editor.
G. Wolcott Brooks,	'77, Oct. 10.	'85, April 21.	Dorchester.	P.
Charles R. Brown,	'89, Sept. 8.	'93, Feb. 8.	*Oakland, Cal.*	P. C.
Samuel C. Bushnell,	'79, June 4.	'90, May 28.	Arlington.	P. C.
Charles M. Carpenter,	'90, April 22.	'95, Feb. 6.	Cambridge.	P.
Samuel M. Cathcart,	'96, Dec. 1.	'97, May 25.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Charles F. Crathern,	'86, Sept. 1.	'93, Dec. 6.	Braintree.	P.
George Darling,	'50, July 12.	'93, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Stephen R. Dennen,	'55, July 11.	'86, Sept. 9.	*Los Angeles, Cal.*	W. C.
M. Angelo Dougherty,	'69, June 15.	'87, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Walter S. Eaton,	'91, April 26.	'94, Feb. 7.	Revere, Mass.	P. C.
Robert E. Ely,	'90, Dec. 11.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridgeport.	W. C.
George H. Gutterson,	'78, Dec. 3.	'95, June 10.	Winchester.	Sect.
Edwin K. Hadlock,	'93, April 25.	'96, Jan. 29.	*E. Providence, R. I.*	P.
Stephen H. Hayes,	'54, Aug. 20.	'71, Feb. 21.	Boston.	W. C.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Sam'l E. Herrick,	'63, Oct. 13.	'65, Feb. 21.	Boston.	P. C.
John V. Hilton,	'60, July.	'77, Dec. 18.	*Boulder, Col.*	W. C.
Ross C. Houghton,	'69, April 18.	'95, June 10.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Charles E. Jefferson,	'87, Sept. 29.	'87, Dec. 13.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Frank H. Kasson,	'79, Nov. 13.	'83, Sept 18.	Boston.	Editor.
Horace H. Leavitt,	'73, June 19.	'95, Feb. 6.	Somerville.	P. C.
Duncan McDermid,	'86, Oct. 28.	'93, Feb. 8.	Edgartown.	P.
Richard H. McGown,	'82, Mar. 7.	'97, Mar. 30.	Everett.	P.
Alexander McKenzie,	'61, Aug. 28.	'67, April 16.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Peter McQueen,	'91, May 8.	'93, Oct. 4.	Somerville.	P. C.
Sylvester S. Nickerson,	'76, Dec. 26.	'89, Sept. 25.	Boston.	P.
Charles L. Noyes,	'80, Mar. 29.	'83, Feb. 20.	Somerville.	P. C.
William H. Noyes,	'88, Oct. 22.	'88, Nov. 20.	*Portland, Or.*	W. C.
Charles Olmstead,	'83, Sept. 27.	'90, Mar. 26.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Leonard S. Parker,	'38, Dec. 16.	'87, Feb. 8.	North Cambridge.	A. P.
Arthur B. Patten,	'94, Feb. 1.	'96, Jan. 29.	Everett.	P.
Lawrence Phelps,	'78, Sept. 5.	'92, April 5.	Boston.	W. C.
Charles H. Pope,	'65, July 27.	'97, Mar. 30.	Charlestown.	P.
Edward G. Porter,	'68, Oct. 1.	'69, Dec. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Frank E. Ramsdell,	'91, June 30.	'97, May 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Edward K. Rawson,	'72, Oct. 9.	'83, April 10.	*Annapolis, Md.*	Chaplain.
James H. Ross,	'78, Feb. 22.	'88, Nov. 20.	Roxbury.	W. C.
Isaiah W. Sneath,	'84, Feb. 27.	'89, Mar. 26.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Edward Sampson Tead,	'78, Sept. 17.	'86, Feb. 12.	Somerville.	P. C.
Calvin Terry,	'46, Dec. 20.	'61, June 18.	North Weymouth.	W. C.
Charles F. Thwing,	'79, Sept.	'79, Dec. 16.	*Cleveland, O.*	Pres.
George Washburn,	'63, July 29.	'78, Oct. 13.	*Constantinople.*	Pres. Coll.
Albert Watson,	'71, June 27.	'94, Feb. 7.	Everett.	P.
Albert E. Winship,	'75, Mar. 17.	'76, June 13.	Somerville.	Editor.
John Wriston,	'94, Dec. 19.	'95, Feb. 6.	Beechwood.	P.

Licentiates. — A. H. Coar; H. Oliver Hannum, 1896; F. J. Noyes, 1897.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, Chelsea, scribe.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH, Organized January 27, 1829.

William H. Allbright,	'79, June 6.	'91, Mar. 11.	Dorchester.	P.
Andrew W. Archibald,	'76, Aug. 24.	'93, Mar. 15.	Brockton.	P. C.
Charles H. Beale,	'80, April 5.	'95, Jan. 16.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Warren F. Bickford,	'76, June 20.	'92, May 11.	Islington.	S.
William H. Bolster,	'72, June 13.	'93, Nov. 10.	Dorchester.	P.
George M. Boynton,	'63, Oct. 28.	'80, Nov. 10.	Newton Centre.	Sec.
Donald Brown,	'90, Sept. 9.	'96, Mar. 18.	Boston.	P.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William R. Campbell,	'81, Oct. 12.	'81, Nov. 9.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Francis E. Clark,	'76, Oct. 19.	'84, Jan. 16.	Auburndale.	Y. P. S. C. E.
Thomas Clayton,	'85, Sept. 20.	'94, May 9.	*Binghamton, N. Y.*	P.
Perley B. Davis,	'62, Jan. 29.	'63, July 7.	Dorchester.	P.
Morton Dexter,	'73, April 30.	'84, Mar. 12.	Boston.	Editor.
Charles A. Dinsmore,	'85, July 20.	'96, Mar. 18.	South Boston.	P. C.
Albert E. Dunning,	'70, Sept. 29.	'71, Jan. 2.	Boston.	Editor.
Solomon P. Fay,	'49, Sept. 6.	'82, Mar. 8.	Dorchester.	W. C.
George H. Flint,	'94, Oct. 22.	'96, Jan. 15.	Boston.	Assist. P.
Addison P. Foster,	'66, Oct. 3.	'86, May 4.	Auburndale.	Sect. A. S. S. U.
Richard B. Grover,	'81, Oct. 4.	'92, May 11.	Roslindale.	P.
Benj. F. Hamilton,	'65, June 28.	'72, Mar. 12.	Roxbury.	W. C.
John A. Hamilton,	'61, Jan. 29.	'85, May 13.	Newton.	Sec. A. E. S.
Hiram Houston,	'50, Sept. 25.	'90, Mar. 12.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Albion H. Johnson,	'65, Oct. 13.	'83, May 9.	Clarendon Hills.	P.
John L. Kilbon,	'89, June 28.	'92, Sept. 14.	Newton Centre.	Editor.
Arthur Little,	'63, Mar. 16.	'89, Sept. 18.	Dorchester.	P. C.
Achilles L. Loder,	'77, May 8.	'91, Nov. 5.	Hyde Park.	W. C.
Charles D. Lothrop,	'54, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Frank L. Luce,	'95, Nov. 6.	'96, Jan. 15.	Taunton.	P. C.
Ellis Mendell,	'79, June 4.	'80, May 12.	Boston.	P. C.
Frank W. Merrick,	'91, Oct. 12.	'91, Nov. 5.	W. Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Morgan,	'76, Mar. 15.	'95, Jan. 16.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Charles A. Perry,	'82, Nov. 16.	'96, Jan. 15.	Hyde Park.	W. C.
Albert H. Plumb,	'58, Nov. 10.	'85, Jan. 14.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Edward A. Robinson,	'83, July 11.	'74, May 9.	Wollaston.	P. C.
Joseph B. Seabury,	'75, Sept. 8.	'85, May 13.	Dedham.	P. C.
Charles B. Smith,	'48, Nov. 12.	'79, July 9.	West Medford.	P.
Judson Smith,	'66, Oct. 17.	'85, Mar. 11.	Auburndale.	A. B. C. F. M.
P. Thomas Stanford,	'78, Sept. 26.	'95, Nov. 13.	Boston.	P.
George F. Stanton,	'66, June 6.	'90, Jan. 15.	Boston.	P.
Mark B. Taylor,	'75, Sept. 8.	'89, Jan. 16.	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*	P. C.
A. C. Thompson,	'42, July 27.	'42, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Eugene C. Webster,	'90, May 28.	'94, Sept. 19.	Neponset.	P.
Charles F. Weeden,	'88, April 4.	'96, Jan. 15.	Norwood.	P. C.
J. Herbert Yeoman,	'77, Jan. 25.	'89, Jan. 16.	Wareham.	P.
Cyrus L. D. Younkin,	'93, April 8.	'92, Mar. 9.	Boston.	M.

Licentiates. — Albert H. Plumb, jr., William C. Fessenden, Arthur P. Pratt.

STATED MEETINGS — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. Edward A. Robinson, Wollaston, scribe and treasurer.

20. SUFFOLK WEST, Organized January 8, 1867.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James L. Barton,	'85, June 29.	'97, Feb. 8.	Newton Cen.	A.B C.F.M.
William E. Barton,	'85, June 6.	'93, June 12.	Boston.	P. C.
Adolph A. Berle,	'87, Sept. 14.	'91, Dec. 14.	Brighton.	P. C.
Douglas P. Birnie,	'85, Aug. 12.	'91, Feb. 9.	*Honolulu.*	P. C.
Erastus Blakeslee,	'80, Feb. 17.	'94, Feb. 12.	Brookline.	W. C.
Ezra H. Byington,	'59, Feb. 23.	'91, Feb. 9.	Newton.	W. C.
Wolcott Calkins,	'62, Oct. 22.	'80, Feb. 8.	*Kansas City, Mo.*	P.
George H. Cate,	'79, April 2.	'94, June 11.	Boston.	Assist. P.
Edward L. Clark,	'61, Aug. 8.	'93, April 11.	Boston.	P. C.
William H. Cobb,	'72, April 18.	'88, June 11.	Newton Cen.	Cong. Lib.
Calvin Cutler,	'62, Mar. 12.	'68, Feb. 4.	Auburndale.	P. C. Em.
Charles H. Daniels,	'73, Nov. 20.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton. Sec.	A.B.C.F.M.
William H. Davis,	'77, July 5.	'96, Oct. 12.	Newton.	P. C.
Samuel W. Dike,	'69, Feb. 8	'87, Oct. 11.	Auburndale,	Sec.N.D.R.L.
John M. Dutton,	'76, June 11.	'92, April 25.	Newtonville.	P. C.
Parris T. Farwell,	'83, Oct 23.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	P. C.
Bradford M. Fullerton,	'68, Feb. 12.	'81, Dec. 18.	Brockton.	W. C.
Daniel L. Furber,	'67, Dec. 1.	'57, Jan. 16.	Newton Centre.	P. Em.
George P. Gilman,	'72, Aug. 28.	'85, Oct. 5.	Waverly.	P.
George A. Gordon,	'77, Jan. 20.	'86, April 20.	Boston.	P. C.
Daniel Green,	'79, Dec. 18.	'94, Feb. 12.	Newton.	P.
William E. Griffis,	'77, May 31.	'86, Dec. 14.	*Ithaca, N. Y.*	P. C.
John O. Haarvig,	'83, Oct. 13.	'95, Dec. 9.	Allston.	P. C.
Charles E. Harrington,	'74, Oct. 27.	'95, Dec. 9.	Waltham.	P. C.
Charles E. Havens,	'81, Sept. 15.	'94, April 9.	Newton Highlands.	P. C.
George A. Hood,	'69, Sept. 30.	'96, Feb. 10.	Newton. Sec. C. C.	B. S.
William A. Lamb,	'74, April 12.	'84, April 8.	*Los Angeles, Cal.*	W. C.
Isaac J. Lansing,	'74, Oct.	'94, Feb. 12.		W. C.
Amos E. Lawrence,	'48, June 25.	'76, April 18.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Edwin Leonard,	'52, Mar. 25.	'93, Dec. 11.	Dover.	P. C.
John L. Maile,	'72, July 14.	'92, Feb. 8.	*Fargo, N. D.*	Sect.
Darius A. Morehouse,	'65, June 18.	'90, Dec. 3.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Edward M. Noyes,	'83, Sept. 26.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton Centre.	P. C.
Henry J. Patrick,	'54, Nov. 16.	'67, Jan. 8.	Newtonville.	P. C. Em.
George G. Phipps,	'68, Jan. 23.	'78, Dec. 10.	Newton Highlands.	W. C.
Edward C. Porter,	'84, June 24.	'90, Feb. 10.	Watertown.	P. C.
Theodore P. Prudden,	'74, Dec. 22.	'94, Dec. 10.	W. Newton.	P. C.
Isaac O. Rankin,	'80, July 21.	'96, June 8.	*Poughkeepsie, N.Y.*	W. C.
William S. Smith,	'54, April 27.	'74, Dec. 8.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Charles M. Southgate,	'70, Dec. 15.	'96, Feb. 10.	Auburndale.	P. C.
S. Lewis B. Speare,	'74, Jan. 30.	'96, Dec. 14.	Newton.	W. C.
E. Ellsworth Strong,	'59, April 10.	'67, April 8.	Auburndale.	Editor.
Reuen Thomas,	'58, Dec. 7.	'76, Feb. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Alexander S. Twombly,	'59, Feb. 10.	'93, April 11.	Newton.	W. C.
Avery S. Walker,	'57, June 15.	'95, Dec. 9.	Needham.	P. C.
Edwin B. Webb,	'50, Sept. 11.	'67, Jan. 8.	Wellesley.	P. Em.

Licentiates. — Arthur W. Kelley, Auburndale, renewed Feb. 12, 1894; Edward P. Kelley, Auburndale, April 15, 1895.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Mondays of February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. George G. Phipps, Newton Highlands, scribe.

21. TAUNTON, Organized November 21, 1826.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Wm. W. Adams,	'60, Jan. 26.	'64, Nov. 29.	Fall River.	P. C.
Joseph Allard,	'82, April 15.	'89, Jan. 9.	Fall River.	P.
Franklin K. Beem,	'95, July 18.	'95, Nov. 13.	Berkley.	P. C.
Charles Clark,	'94, Dec. 12.	'95, Jan. 16.	Walker.	P.
Samuel V. Cole,	'89, Oct. 29.	'89, Nov. 13.	Norton.	Pres. Sem.
S. Hopkins Emery,	'37, Nov. 23.	'75, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	W. C.
Cyrus D. Harp,	'85, Feb. 17.	'93, Nov. 8.	*Providence, R. I.*	W. C.
Vernon C. Harrington,	'94, Oct. 23.	'97, Mar. 10.	Norton.	P. C.
Elwin L. House,	'88, April 22.	'94, May 8.	Attleboro.	P. C.
Herbert K. Job,	'91, Oct. 28.	'92, Jan. 13.	N. Middleboro.	P. C.
William W. Jubb,	'64, May.	'91, Nov. 11.	*England.*	W. C.
Charles H. Kenney,	'73, April 13.	'96, Jan. 15.	Attleboro.	W. C.
Calvin Keyser,	'75, Dec. 28.	'91, Mar. 10.	*Concord.*	W. C.
Josiah W. Kingsbury,	'66, June 28.	'89, May 8.	Braintree.	W. C.
Payson W. Lyman,	'71, May 10.	'89, May 8.	Fall River.	P. C.
James H. McLaren,	'90, Aug. 12.	'94, Jan. 10.	*Racine, Wis.*	P.
Henry G. Megathlin,	'96, Dec. 19.	'97, Jan. 13.	Fall River.	P. C.
Thomas F. Norris,	'79, April 13.	'97, Mar. 10.	Somerset.	P.
Frank S. Park,	'95, July 16.	'95, Nov. 13.	E. Taunton.	P.
Sidney K. B. Perkins,	'60, Jan. 11.	'88, Jan. 11.	Raynham.	P.
Edward N. Pomeroy,	'68, Nov. 11.	'82, May 10.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Charles A. Ratcliffe,	'91, April.	'97, Mar. 10.	N. Attleboro.	P.
William E. Todd,	'90, Sept. 13.	'90, Nov. 13.	*Tappahannock, Va.*	W. C.
Edgar L. Warren,	'89, Feb. 4.	'93, Mar. 14.	*Wolfeboro, N. H.*	P.
T. Clayton Welles,	'72, Oct. 25.	'92, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
John Whitehill,	'61, Dec. 11.	'69, Nov. 10.	Oldtown.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, and November.

Rev. Payson W. Lyman, Fall River, scribe and treasurer.

22. WOBURN, Organized September, 1833.

Charles Anderson,	'74, Sept. 2.	'74, Sept. 15.	*Constantinople.*	Robt. C.
William F. Bacon,	'67, Sept. 26.	'90, Feb. 4.	Medford.	W. C.
John Barstow,	'87, June 29.	'95, Feb. 19.	Medford.	P. C.
William J. Batt,	'59, Sept. 29.	'75, Nov. 16.	Concord Junc.	Chaplain.
Theodore P. Berle,	'93, Oct. 3.	'93, Oct. 17.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Charles R. Bliss,	'59, April 28.	'62, Nov. 18.	*Chicago, Ill.*	W. C.
Charles F. Carter,	'83, Sept. 13.	'97, Feb. 17.	Lexington.	P. C.
Judson Van Clancy,	'87, Sept. 7.	'96, Mar 17.	W. Medford.	P. C.
Joshua Coit,	'60, Nov. 13.	'89, Jan. 29.	Winchester.	H. M. Sec.
Marshall M. Cutter,	'68, Dec. 29.	'74, Nov. 17.	Brookline.	W. C.
Albert P. Davis,	'94, Nov. 22.	'95, Feb. 19.	Wakefield.	P. C.
Walter A. Evans,	'86, June 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	Maplewood.	P.

22. WOBURN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Cyrus Hamlin,	'38, Oct 3.	'91, Dec. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	'67, Oct. 17.	'86, Mar. 16.	Wilmington.	P. C.
Henry A. Hazen,	'58, Feb. 17.	'74, Sept. 15.	Auburndale.	Sec. N. C.
James L. Hill,	'75, Sept. 15.	'87, June 13.	Salem.	W. C.
Burke F. Leavitt,	'73, May 7.	'95, Jan. 29.	Melrose Highlands.	P. C.
George E. Lovejoy,	'73, July 16.	'94, May 9.	*Pittsfield, N. H.*	P. C.
Daniel March,	'45, April 25.	'77, May 15.	Woburn.	P. C. Em.
D. Augustine Newton,	'82, Sept. 21.	'85, Dec. 16.	Winchester.	P. C.
Isaac Pierson,	'70, Mar. 30.	'96, Oct. 8.	S. Medford.	P.
Doremus Scudder,	'85, June 17.	'95, Dec. 17.	Woburn.	P. C.
Edwin Smith,	'65, Jan. 11.	'88, May 1.	Bedford.	P.
Peter Vincentius,	'88, Aug. 19.	'89, Jan. 29.	East Boston.	P.
Joshua W. Wellman,	'51, June 18	'74, Mar. 17.	Malden.	W. C.
William H. Willcox,	'50, Mar. 5.	'58, Jan. 19.	Malden.	W. C.

Licentiates. — Charles Steadman MacFarland, Henry F. Burdon, Albert V. Fisher.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, June, September, and November.

Rev. Albert P. Davis, Wakefield, scribe and treasurer.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL, Organized November 4, 1823.

Thomas E. Babb,	'69, Jan. 19.	'94, April 3.	Holden.	P. C.
Orange C. Bailey,	'85, Oct. 13.	'94, Nov. 13.	Worcester.	P. C.
Albert E. Bradstreet,	'88, Aug. 30.	'95, Nov. 12.	Oxford.	P.
Sherman W. Brown,	'93, June 6.	'96, Nov. 10.	Spencer.	P. C.
Albert Bryant,	'65, Sept 20.	'86, Feb. 2.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Daniel E. Burtner,	'90, Sept. 25.	'94, Nov. 13.	Boylston.	P.
Edward M. Chapman,	'90, Sept. 9.	'93, Nov. 14.	Worcester.	P. C.
Arcturus Z. Conrad,	'35, June 2.	'90, Feb. 3.	Worcester.	P. C.
Amos H. Coolidge,	'57, April 21.	'67, July 7.	Worcester.	W. C.
Sidney Crawford,	'70, Dec. 8.	'93, Nov. 14.	Rutland.	P.
Joseph W. Cross,	'34, Oct. 1.	'41, Jan. 5.	Lawrence.	W. C.
Ebenezer Cutler,	'50, Mar. 6.	'56, Jan. 1.	Worcester.	P. Em.
William N. T. Dean,	'75, Feb. 3.	'89, Feb. 5.	*Woodstock, Ct.*	P.
Austin Dodge,	'66, Oct. 6.	'90, Feb. 4.	Burlington.	P.
George S. Dodge,	'72, Aug. 16.	'78, May 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Dodge,	'83, Sept. 25.	'84, Feb. 5.	Lake View.	P. C.
Forrest F. Emerson,	'65, May 25.	'95, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	W. C.
Henry C. Fay,	'58, Dec. 28.	'81, May 2.	Somerville.	W. C.
Walcott Fay,	'84, Feb. 20.	'90, Feb. 4.	Arlington.	W. C.
George H. Gould,	'62, Nov. 12.	'76, Feb 1.	Worcester.	W. C.
Samuel A. Harlow,	'82, Oct. 15.	'96, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	W. C.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Elijah Horr,	'64, April 17.	'94, Feb. 6.	Brookline.	W. C.
John E. Hurlbut,	'75, Mar. 24.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
William W. Jordan,	'84, Oct. 9.	'94, Nov. 13.	Clinton.	P. C.
Edward A. Lathrop,	'95, Nov. 26.	'97, April 6.	Shrewsbury.	P.
Alexander Lewis,	'90, May 28.	'96, April 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Joseph F. Lovering,	'60, June 17.	'88, April 3.	Somerville.	W. C.
Archibald McCullagh,	'71, May 2.	'91, April 27.	Worcester.	P. C.
Henry F. Markham,	'80, Sept.	'95, Nov. 12.	Berlin.	P.
Daniel Merriman,	'68, Sept. 30.	'78, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	P. C.
Eldridge Mix,	'60, Dec. 6.	'94, April 3.	Worcester.	C. M.
William B. Oleson,	'77, Dec. 4.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	P.
Ariel E. P. Perkins,	'44, Sept. 18.	'88, April 3.	Worcester.	W. C.
Ellsworth W. Phillips,	'91, Oct. 19.	'92, Feb. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles M. Pierce,	'63, Sept. 2.	'91, Feb 3.	Auburn.	P. C.
George H. Pratt,	'60, Oct. 11.	'94, Nov. 13.	Sterling.	P.
David C. Reid,	'84, July 29.	'96, April 7.	Leicester.	P. C.
Casper F. Scherff,	'76, April 9.	'90.	Clinton.	P.
William T. Sleeper,	'54, June 29.	'54, Sept. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.
Burritt A. Smith,	'65, Mar. 15.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	Teacher.
Rufus M. Taft,	'93, June 16.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	Evan.
Edwin S. Tingley,	'71, Feb. 1.	'85, May 5.	Milford.	W. C.
Albert G. Todd,	'90, June 10.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
William G. Tuttle,	'51, April 10.	'88, April 3.	Worcester.	W. C.
J. Charles Villiers,	'86, May 31.	'95, Nov. 12.	W. Boylston.	P.
Charles A. White,	'73, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 10.	Princeton.	P.
Inman L. Willcox,	'89, Oct. 18.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February and April, and second Tuesday in November.

Rev. E. W. Phillips, Worcester, scribe.

24. WORCESTER NORTH, Organized June 18, 1818.

George E. Chapin,	'79, Aug. 20.	'94.		P.
Joseph S. Cogswell,	'68, Nov. 14.	'94, Jan. 23.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
Francis J. Fairbanks,	'64, Aug. 31.	'95, July 9.	Royalston.	P.
Davis Foster,	'55, Nov. 1.	'69, Nov. 27.	Winchendon.	P. C.
John H. Garman,	'47, Nov. 3.	'66, Oct. 2.	North Orange.	W. C.
Edwin S. Gould,	'73, Oct. 1.	'94, Jan. 23.	*Providence, R. I.*	W. C.
John W. Hird,	'79, Mar. 19.	'91, April 28.	Baldwinville.	P.
Milan H. Hitchcock,	'57, Aug. 25.	'63, April 28.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert V. House,	'94, June 20.	'95, April 23.	New Salem.	P.
Frederic P. Johnson,	'94, May 22.	'94, Jan. 23.	Ashburnham.	P.
Gustavus W. Jones,	'69, May 27.	'91, April 28.	Winchendon.	P.

24. WORCESTER NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Gabriel B. Kambour,	'93, April 5.	'93, April 25.	Templeton.	P. C.
Francis B. Knowlton,	'65, Aug. 29.	'86, Jan. 26.	Athol.	W. C.
John W. Lees,	'70, Nov. 16.	'96, April 28.	Westminster.	P.
George J. Pierce,	'72, Aug. 8.	'82, April 25.	Phillipston.	W. C.
Judson W. Shaw,	'87, June 30.	'87, July 12.	*Falmouth, Me.*	W. C.
Walter P. Taylor,	'91, Dec. 15.	'92, July 26.	*Newmarket, N. H.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Fourth Tuesdays in January, April, and October, and second Tuesday in July.

Rev. Francis B. Knowlton, Athol, scribe.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH, Organized in 1818.

Frank G. Alger,	'86, July 22.	'96, Dec. 10.	Blackstone.	P.
Frederic A. Balcom,	'82, Jan. 9.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Saylesville, R. I.*	P.
William A. Benedict,	'49, June 27.	'76, Oct. 10.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Henry A. Blake,	'76, Sept. 13.	'89, Oct. 8.	Webster.	P.
William T. Briggs,	'46, Nov. 4.	'66, July 10.	East Douglas.	P. Em.
Frank L. Bristol,	'75, Oct. 25.	'88, Oct. 9.	Uxbridge.	P.
James H. Childs,	'75, Oct. 7.	'85, Jan. 13.	Northbridge.	P.
David M. Didriksen,	'92, July 13.	'92, Oct. 11.	Millville.	P. C.
George P. Eastman,	'91, May 12.	'92, Jan. 12.	Millbury.	P. C.
John C. Hall,	'90, May 20.	'92, Jan. 12.	Sutton.	P. C.
David Howie,	'89, Feb. 27.	'94, Oct. 9.	Saundersville.	P.
Lyman Mevis,	'91, Oct. 1.	'92, Jan. 12.	Carlisle.	P.
Aaron B. Peffers,	'55, May 29.	'93, April 11.	Douglas.	P.
Leroy M. Pierce,	'70, Feb. 4.	'84, Oct. 14.	Medfield.	P.
George A. Putnam,	'60, Nov. 14.	'71, Oct. 17.	Millbury.	P. C.
Benjamin A. Robie,	'66, Mar. 22.	'84, Oct. 14.	Grafton.	P.
John R. Thurston,	'59, Jan. 20.	'72, Jan. 9.	Whitinsville.	P. C.
Alexander Wiswall,	'79, Sept. 24.	'94, Jan. 9.	Upton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in March, June, September, and December.

Rev. James H. Childs, Northbridge, scribe.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.[1]

REV. HENRY A. HAZEN.

This General Association has met four times in Worcester, in 1808, 1827, 1847, and 1879; and the General Conference met here in 1865; making, with the present session, six of our State meetings here in ninety years, a larger number than in any other city, except Boston; and Boston must reckon its accessions of Dorchester and Roxbury, to make up the same number. Probably we shall come to this fair city more frequently in future. The great increase in the size of this body limits the number of places which can receive and comfortably care for it. Early sessions were held in Hardwick, Washington, Hatfield, Windsor; but such rural communities can no longer bid us. There is loss as well as gain in our growth. The first two sessions were held in Northampton in 1802 and 1803. It is not too soon to ask if Northampton will receive us in 1902, for a Centennial commemoration.

The rules of this Association, our only constitution, were adopted at the first meeting in this city, and no modifications since have changed them, for substance of doctrine.

Since our last meeting, has occurred the death of Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, and his successor in the office first and for so many years held and magnified by him, may fitly recall him to your thoughts to-day. Not that I can attempt, in the brief limits of this report, any general review of his life. But it is due to ourselves that we refresh our memories, and quicken our devotion by a restatement of what he has done as an officer of this Association.

Fifty years ago, the Congregational churches were in a condition which gave too much ground for the "rope of sand" taunt, not unfrequently heard. They were a collection of units, knowing little of one another, and without organization. Their pastors had naturally formed the habit of occasional meetings for friendship and fellowship, and Associations had thus grown up. Gradually these ministers began to enliven their minutes with lists of the names of their churches; then some bold innovator proposed to add the membership, a step of progress which our English friends have not yet ventured upon, though their conservatism starts a smile with us. Then were added the male and female membership, and later, the additions and removals. But the requests for these meagre reports being purely personal, and having no voice of the churches behind them, were received often with indifference, and occasionally with a mild resentment; and summaries of such reports as did come in were too incomplete to have much value.

That was substantially the condition of matters when Alonzo H. Quint appeared in this Association, as a young delegate from Jamaica Plain

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forty-two years ago, and the transformation which these years have wrought is, we shall all agree, due more largely to him than to any other single man. In saying this we are not to forget that the conditions were ripe or soon came to maturity, favoring the great progress which has been made; or that other men recognized these conditions and wrought with great effect to the same ends. No one man could have secured this progress if he had not found a multitude of kindred responsive spirits, men who were alive to the new conditions and calls, and who joined hands in intelligent working to the same ends. In Illinois M. K. Whittlesey had been elected secretary in 1852, and only laid down his work last year, and in Connecticut William H. Moore is still at the front, in his ripe age, doing the work which he began forty years ago. In Massachusetts were such men as Joseph S. Clark, who did us a great service in his "History" of our churches, as well as in laying the foundations of our Congregational Library; Christopher Cushing and Increase N. Tarbox; Isaac P. Langworthy, to whom our debt is so immeasurable, as he built himself into our Congregational House and Library, and Henry M. Dexter, whose labors were second to those of no man in the broadening and deepening of our Congregational life, statistically and historically, as well as in his *Congregationalist* life work.

With these conditions and coadjutors the real genius and greatness of Alonzo H. Quint are to be seen in his recognition of the opportunity, and the skill with which he used it. With measureless tact and persistency he pursued his work until the demonstration was complete, that the "rope of sand" theory, as applied to Congregational churches, if it ever had a semblance of truth, had it no longer; that fellowship could be organized, as truly as government; and that such organization, resting on the solid foundations of Christian love and common sense, was safe and useful, not only for the churches of Mendon Conference, but for Massachusetts, for the United States, and for the round earth. The International Council which met in London in 1891, and comes to Boston in 1899, was the natural fruitage of his life work, and would have been impossible without the prior organizations in our various States, and the union of these in the National Council to which his labors so largely contributed.

It was a great and special felicity of this Association that it recognized this young man, and the work for which he was fitted, that it installed him in a new office, created for the occasion, the first time, so far as I know, that a statistical secretary had ever been appointed by any body; and that it stood by him in his labors until our chaos had given place to order, and our statistics had gained wide recognition as a model in other States and other denominations.

A comparison of the Congregational *Year-Book* of to-day with the Massachusetts Minutes of fifty years ago affords a fair measure of Dr. Quint's work for our churches. But Dr. Quint was a great secretary, because he was much more a broad-minded, sagacious, far-seeing man, loyal to the core, to Christ and his Gospel, and rejoicing to preach that word, and make it mighty in the lives of men. He went to the war in the enthusiasm of his young manhood, and the testimony of officers and men is emphatic of the wise, courageous, and sympathetic service he gave them. He

might have been with us in the strength of a ripe age to-day, but for the seeds of weakness and disease sown in that army service.

And in his later years, we may remind ourselves how important a place he has filled, as the councillor of all the churches. Questions of order and method, of peace and duty, have come to him from the Atlantic to the Pacific; and he has met them with a breadth of knowledge, a keenness of insight, a familiarity with precedent and history, and with a devotion, above all, to the peace and prosperity of Christ's Kingdom, which have been of priceless value. As a corporate member of the American Board, the value and significance of his service is best understood by those nearest the heart of its counsels.

The reports from the Conferences this year gained a little in time, and more in quality and completeness, over any previous year. Thanks to the diligence and fidelity of the various secretaries, the Massachusetts table was ready to go to the printer on the last day of February. Five reported in January: Mendon, on the 5th, and Hampshire East, Woburn, and Worcester, North and South, 18-21. Eleven were received in the first half of February: Hampshire, Brookfield, Middlesex North, Berkshire South, Pilgrim, Suffolk North and West, Taunton, Old Colony, Worcester, and Middlesex South. The others came after February 15: Essex South, Suffolk South, Hampden, Essex North, Franklin, Barnstable, Andover, Berkshire North, and Norfolk. It ought to be said of the fine Hampden report, that it was made in print, causing a week or two of delay.

More than ever before, reporters have acted on the principle that a complete report was more important than an early one, and the fulness of the returns has been a great comfort to the secretary.

It is full time for the churches to recognize and act upon the doctrine that December, and not January, is the month in which all the time necessary for gathering items and making out their annual report should be taken, so that it can be returned promptly in January, and every Conference report be completed in that month.

The year has added six churches to our roll, and our whole number is now 593; 274 of these churches have installed pastors, and 241 have pastors not installed. There are 280 installed pastors, and 226 pastors not installed. The membership is 111,223, of whom 35,331 are males. The gain of the year is 1,044. The additions were 6,432, of whom 3,382 were on confession of faith. The removals were 5,353, of whom by death, 1,848. The baptisms were, 1,633 adults and 1,616 infants.

The benevolent contributions were $658,551, an average of $5.92 per member, and a falling off from last year of $37,710, or a little more than 30 cents per member. The home expenditures reach a total of $1,587,443, about $14.30 cents per member, and an increase of $46,668.

In closing this report, I may properly add a word in anticipation of the Second International Council. It is practically assured that this great assembly will be held in Boston in the summer of 1899. The exact date is to be fixed by the choice and convenience of our English guests. We owe them the same courtesy accorded to us in 1891. Massachusetts, as well as Boston, is honored by the fact that the *place* of this Council is accorded to us by unanimous acclaim. Our hospitality will be put to test by the reception which we give to such a body of delegates from every land, and this Association will be called upon to take its share in the good work. This Council is sure to become, as the first has become, historic, and signifies much to us, and to the entire country. Our prayers should go up to the Master of Assemblies that he may help us shape and use it for his glory and the progress of his kingdom in the world.

TREASURER'S REPORT.[1]

WILLIAM A. PAINE, *Treasurer, in account with the* GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 10, 1897.

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1896.		
May 17.	To balance from last report	$3,772 59
	" assessment on 110,181 members at three and one half cents	3,856 35
	" Middlesex Union Conference arrears for 1893	103 59
	" " " " " " 1894	104 10
	" Hampshire Conference arrears for 1895	6 09
	" Pilgrim Conference arrears for 1895	35 19
		$7,877 91

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1896.		
By	Samuel B. Forbes, treasurer National Congregational Council	$2,189 48
"	Alfred Mudge & Son, printing manuals	793 81
"	" " " miscellaneous printing	99 00
"	Rev. H. A. Hazen, salary	500 00
"	" " " stationery, postage, etc.	70 15
"	F. B. Makepeace, expenses committee on literature	14 55
"	J. D. Kingsbury, expenses committee on work of the churches	13 50
"	F. J. Marsh, expenses	5 25
"	amount due from Barnstable Conference, 1896 account	10 39
"	" " " the Essex South Conference, 1896 account	19 16
"	" " " Norfolk Conference, 1896 account	38 82
"	" " " Old Colony Conference, 1896 account	17 22
"	" " " Pilgrim Conference, 1896 account	40 00
"	profit and loss, Taunton Conference, French Church of Fall River	2 91
"	" " " Worcester South Conference, Douglass Church	62
"	cash on hand, May 10, 1897	4,063 05
		$7,877 91

There is also due the General Association from the Old Colony Conference, for the year 1895, $16.38.

WM. A. PAINE, *Treas.*

This certifies that we have audited the accounts of Wm. A. Paine, Treasurer of the General Association of Massachusetts for the year ending May 10, 1897, and find them accurately cast and properly vouched. The balance in the treasury per statement of the Beacon Trust Company is $4,063.05.

H. N. ACKERMAN,
THOMAS TODD, } *Auditors.*

The auditors of the General Association of Massachusetts recommend as the assessment for the year 1897 the sum of three and one half cents for each church member.

H. N. ACKERMAN,
THOMAS TODD, } *Auditors.*

BOSTON, May 13, 1897.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES.[1]

T. Clayton Welles, Taunton.

"*The Spiritual Life of the Churches.*"

Your committee on the work of the churches, with unanimous agreement, turned this year to the subject of "The Spiritual Life."

For some years past, questions of organization and method and adaptation have engaged the attention of the committee and furnished the chief items of report. These are recognized as matters of very great interest and importance, but there must also be spiritual power if we are to have blessed results. The latest improvements in cylinders and valves and driving rods are by all means to be utilized, and yet the vital steam pressing upon the piston, of whatever form or patent, is indispensable for effective work.

In the apostolic church they had very meagre organization, but they were endued with power from on high and wrought marvellously. If there could be in our churches a more general possession of all the members by the Holy Spirit, we cannot doubt that the Lord would add to them "day by day those that were being saved."

Our inquiries this year, therefore, have been along the line of the manifestation and development of spiritual energy in the churches, concerning the weekly prayer-meeting, the Sunday school, the Young People's Society, and other special means, as promoting spiritual efficiency and results, about actual church membership on the part of all believers and the general spiritual condition.

By this means we have hoped to be able to make our report concerning this truly essential matter to the General Association, and incidentally through this body to impress upon the thought and action of the churches throughout the Commonwealth the need of a more intense loyalty to Jesus Christ in the personal life, and a more devoted service in the self-sacrificing endeavor to win and encourage others to the same loyalty.

The first question on the circular sent to every church was: —

I. "What is the apparent spiritual condition of your church?"

In the responses it has been impossible to arrange any scientific tabulation. Different reporters would speak of the same condition variously, according to the various ideals accepted by each.

What one would consider quite satisfactory, another would bemoan as distressingly poor. One pastor who consulted some of his members on this point writes, "as usual," "fair," "rather low." "Low," "very low," are answers given by some of our active workers to this question.

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But in general, fifteen dare to say that the spiritual condition of their churches is "*excellent*," "*very* good," and eleven are candid enough to confess that it is "very low." Forty-five report an "improved" or "hopeful" condition, and forty-two describe it as "poor" and "lukewarm." Seventy-five express their estimate in the very indefinite but favorite adjective "good," and sixty-seven use the still less positive terms "fair," "medium," "normal."

It would appear, then, accepting the reporting churches as fairly indicating the condition of affairs in all the State,—though really there might be reason in holding that the churches duly and promptly sending in returns are on an appreciably higher spiritual plane than those failing in this duty also, — but taking a charitable view, it would appear from the estimate concerning themselves of those on the watch-towers of Zion, that fully one half of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts are in an unsatisfactory spiritual condition.

The work drags and suffers and progress fails, not from lack of numbers nor of well-adapted organization, but from lack of interest and devotion, from the low ebbing of the spiritual life. Strength seems to be wanting in this body ecclesiastic not from any organic disease, but from a low state of vitality. Many of our churches are not holding their own in this stronghold of our faith, in numbers or in influence, because there is so little heartiness in directly Christian and churchly service. The fire of devotion to Christ burns low in many places because there is so much sacrifice offered at the altars of worldly profits, positions, and pleasures. Lukewarm water will never generate steam to set in motion the most properly constructed wheels, and lukewarm Christians, neither cold nor hot, do not make aggressive and victorious churches.

But I will let a few of the responses speak for themselves: —

"Our power is latent, as a whole. We lack in enterprise and aggressiveness." "While a few are alivé and active, the majority seem to be easy going." "Some interest in the congregation, the church not really awake." "Resting on our oars." "Almost as numb as the average." "As a whole, great indifference to the work to which we are called in Christ's name." "Outside the Christian Endeavor Society a low spiritual condition." "No spirituality except in two or three members."

But it is not all in this strain. Others say concerning the spiritual condition: —

"Diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." "They talk precious little in prayer-meeting, but the church has done more practical work during the past year than for many years." "Practical righteousness generally apparent, devoutness not so evident." "Better than it has been for years." "There is greater desire to see souls saved, more prayer and more effort." "Greatly revived during 1896. The work is being prosecuted vigorously." "Excellent; conversions constantly." The last which I shall quote under this head takes hope from the subject suggested by the committee, and answers, "The tide is rising. Statistics have been more emphasized than spirituality in previous years."

It perhaps ought to be said that the reports which have come to the committee since March 1 are generally more hopeful than the earlier, especially in and about Boston, — an indication, possibly, that the Moody meetings had an influence for good upon the spiritual condition of the churches of that vicinity.

Our second inquiry was: —

II. "What proportion of your resident members attend the week-day prayer-meeting?"

The responses are a kaleidoscope depicting many forms and colors. Some churches have no prayer-meeting whatever. Some have a Christian Endeavor meeting and make that serve the purpose. Some have both during the week, and even supplement these with cottage meetings, in different parts of the parish, and one church reports five week-day prayer-meetings in different localities, in a widely scattered community, through which it reaches in the aggregate two thirds of its membership.

The proportion of members attending varies from none to one hundred per cent. The agency of a living and earnest prayer-meeting, though of a comparatively recent origin, is increasingly recognized and might well furnish an entire theme of inquiry and report on the part of this committee. We have but glimpses of it this year, in our one question.

One pastor writes, "Eighty per cent attend with more or less irregularity, and one half regularly"; another, "The average is about two thirds;" another, "The average attendance is seventy-five to eighty per cent. One hundred per cent attend sooner or later." Perhaps I ought to say, this is from a young church filled with the flush of a fresh enthusiasm. Others report, "Not more than one sixth"; "About one seventh"; "As near as I can judge, one tenth"; "But few, it is a neglected affair"; "No week-night meeting can be sustained." Four fifths of the reporting churches employ the fractions one fourth or one third to represent the number attending the mid-week meeting, and this may be stated, therefore, as the general average. It may also be said that as a rule the larger the attendance the more vigorous the spiritual life. The church prayer-meeting is both cause and effect, the developer and the manifestation of spirituality in the living church.

Our third question asks: —

III. "Are there many in your congregation who appear to have found Christ, but are not inclined to unite with the church?"

Again there is a wide variety in the responses, and yet the nearly universal voice confesses, "Yes, there is a considerable number."

According to the clearest indications there are in more than nine tenths of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts those who call themselves Christians in their own thought, who are not willing to be enrolled in the church of Christ, who profess to be obedient to him in general, but decline to obey the command, "Do this in remembrance of me," who sincerely hope that Christ will confess them at the last before his Father and the holy angels, but are not willing to confess him before their fellow men here. It is confidently believed that if those whose inmost faith and pur-

pose do in the main unite them to Jesus Christ would heartily acknowledge their discipleship by uniting with his churches, those organizations would be greatly augmented in numbers and enlarged in influence. We commend this matter to the pastors and the churches, and suggest that by all wisely directed personal and general efforts they endeavor to bring to the public and open espousal those in their companies who are at heart already united with the Head of the church.

The fourth inquiry asks: —

IV. "How can the Sunday school be made a greater spiritual power in the church?"

Under this head numbers of brief and excellent suggestions more or less founded on experience are returned, and with one remark I shall let a considerable number speak for themselves.

In a large majority of cases the hope of any better spiritual results is placed upon the teachers. Sometimes the officers are included with them, but the great expectancy of the Sunday school as a spiritual power is with those who instruct.

To develop, then, the spiritual life and ability and endeavor of the teaching force should be always a subject of special care and concern.

The teacher should be an earnest and devoted soul as well as an intelligent mind from first to last, using earnest prayer as well as faithful study in the preparation of the lesson. Make the spirituality of the teachers powerful, and you will make the Sunday school a spiritual power in the church. But let us hear from the State: —

"Better appreciation of the value of Bible study as a means of personal growth." "By more earnest spiritual teaching and better spiritual living on the part of teachers." "Let the teachers make the Sunday-school class a parish for which they are personally responsible." "Constant effort on the part of superintendent and pastor to make teaching tend to spirituality." "By the church recognizing its obligation to the school." "By having all the church members also members of the school." "Get all the church into the Sunday school, and all the Sunday school into the church." "Encourage the children's attendance at morning worship with a five-minute children's sermon." "Have quarterly evangelistic services." "Use the last fifteen minutes of the hour for an occasional prayer and testimony meeting." "Have the opening exercises sometimes of an evangelistic character." "Utilize special days." "Train the children in benevolence." Which gives me an opportunity to say that every Massachusetts Congregational Sunday school should make an offering to our own Sunday-school Society on Children's Day, a custom which fortunately is growing every year, and ought to more and more. But to quote again, "Have an interest in the scholars seven days in the week." "Banish quarterlies and commit scripture to memory." "Install the superintendent by the laying on of hands." "Organize a home department." "Change the hour to three or four o'clock in the afternoon, and make the Sunday school the second service of the church." "Less machinery and more meeting with Jesus." "Ask God." There are very many more well worthy presentation, if time permitted.

The next question was: —

V. "How can the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor be made a greater spiritual power in the church?

From several churches comes the word that the Young People's Society is already the main source of spiritual power; that this organization, with its officers and committees, is useful in all the different departments of the church efficiency, and that without it there would be an immediate depression of the spiritual thermometer.

One reporter goes so far as to say, "Let some of our good deacons recognize the society as a part of the church, and attend some of the meetings and get their hearts warmed." Quite a number would like to take the Christian Endeavor idea into the church prayer-meeting and have every one pledged to take some part at every meeting, and some would occasionally unite the two into one, all for the greater spiritual power of the church. Some think the Christian Endeavor committees might be more serviceable in the various lines of church activity.

Very many would seek a closer union between the Young People's Society and the church, in mutual sympathy and helpfulness, urging that the older members should have more to do with the young life of the society, and especially that the church officers should be more interested in their welfare. A large number suggest that the pastor should give more thought and help and employment to the young people in the general life and service of the church. If they could be put to work under his direct leadership it is thought this would help to develop spiritual results.

A *still larger* number think that the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor would be a greater spiritual power in the church if *they* would bear in mind that they are a part of the church and not an organization by themselves, and if they would think and work less for themselves and their society, and more "for Christ and the church," according to their motto.

So great a chorus of voices ask that the young people should feel that the church is first, and not the society, and that the usual agencies of the church should be by them heartily sustained, that one gets the idea that the general drift is away from that practice.

One reporter indeed urges an increase of loyalty and responsibility to the society, but the hundreds urge more devotion to the mother organization. In fact, true loyalty to the society involves devotion to the church first, and those Endeavorers who live most heartily true to the inmost teaching of their constitution will always put the church as the primary consideration.

Perhaps that is one reason why a *still* greater number turn to the pledge as the point to be kept in view. Here is where attention centres. "Better keeping of the pledge will make the Christian Endeavor Society a greater spiritual power in the church," is in effect the reply which comes from all over the State. "Either *keep* the pledge, or abolish it," is the multiplied verdict.

Some hold that there is even now a lowering of the moral tone of many because of the frequent breaking of the solemn pledge they have taken.

In a few societies the pledge is set aside already, but everywhere there is the call to keep it rigidly if it is retained in force.

An occasional reply under this head deprecates too much machinery, with committees on every subject and business meetings and multitudinous reports, while others urge more fidelity to regular committee work.

Several speak of members of the Christian Endeavor Society joining the church as one of the best helps to spirituality, and some would go so far as to have membership in the society involve an immediate confession of Christ in the church.

In some societies the social element seems to have gained undue prominence, and it is said that spiritual power would be increased by less devotion to social gatherings and entertainments.

Other suggestions are, "Keep spiritual interests at the front." "Emphasize the spiritual mission of the society." "Make much of prayer in the meetings." "Put more responsibility upon them and they will respond." "Bring the society to the front in Christian service, and not let them flock by themselves." "Get them to feel that their work is not done when they have taken part in their prayer-meeting." "Give more attention to home and foreign missions." "Special attention to the Junior branch." "Develop a larger amount of steady usefulness." "Have spiritual leaders in charge." "Personal consecration."

Our last question was: —

VI. Have you any special methods for the development of the spiritual life of the church, and what suggestions have you in regard to the same?

From wise and aggressive and spiritual pastors have come so many and so discreet responses that a small book might easily be issued which would be of permanent value. To commence with the pastors themselves, many acknowledge that the spiritual life of the church would be greatly helped by a deeper and more tender spirituality on the part of the leader. One confesses that what his church most needs is that the pastor be more spiritual, and quotes the saying of Mr. Jones as applicable: "The train goes faster than the engine."

Another says, "The pastor must make every call tell in developing the spiritual life of the people. I have prayed in every family and I find that the church has taken a bound forward in spiritual things."

Another declares, "Personal work is my main dependence."

In fact, personal work on the part of both pastor and people is the special method most generally commended for the development of the spiritual life of the church. While a great many novel expedients are mentioned, the very general sentiment is that the old methods used earnestly and skilfully are as well adapted to secure the results we seek as any that can be devised. "There are no cathode rays," says one, "for spiritual illumination, but let us put new life into the old methods," and of these "personal influence" leads all others in general mention. "Personal consecration" is an oft-recurring term. "Set each member to lead one to Christ" is a reiterated thought." The churches do not need more spiritual food but more spiritual exercise." "What we want is a revival of personal service."

"Summon the whole church to an occasional consecration Sunday." "Ask the people to come to the various services from the closet and discourage the critical spirit." "Get those who cannot come to the mid-week meeting to spend a little time in prayer for it and for the church." "Sacrifice comforts and pleasures for Christ and the church." "The crying need is consecration that means something, that has power to move against winds and tides."

The agency most depended upon after personal effort and consecration is in connection with prayer-meetings. "Make more of the mid-week prayer-meeting," say very many. "The church has a vast undeveloped power in the weekly prayer meetings." "Make the mid-week prayer meeting more conversational." "More prayer and less conference in the mid-week meeting." "Make more use of groups and circles of prayer." "Our ladies' prayer-meeting is doing a great deal in developing the spiritual life of our church." "Our deacons and deaconesses have a separate prayer-meeting every week to pray for the spiritual welfare of the church."

One pastor has a prayer chain of thirty members who agree to pray for special objects. One writes, "I believe that a good share of the prayer-meeting topics should bear upon the application of the mind of Christ to the locality, that the prayer-meeting furnishes the main instrument by which there can be a steady progress in bettering the life of the community, and another, "There is no possible hope for a growing spiritual life in that portion of the membership who attend no prayer-meeting and do not pray in their families."

Many report good results from cottage prayer-meetings, and one would have neighboring churches to become more acquainted and work and pray together to the end of quickening all hearts. Some would emphasize the "week of prayer" and "Passion week." One would keep the church house open with some sort of a meeting every night in the week, and at nine o'clock have a sort of a family prayer. Another is a firm believer in institutional methods wherever practicable. Another reports his vestry open every Monday evening for a social meeting for men, one half of whom are reformed from the drink habit.

Some would develop the spiritual power through the preaching.

It is suggested that the earnest proclamation of the doctrine of repentance, as found in Matt. iii. 8, and of faith, as declared in John iii. 16, would be *quite special* and very much needed. Another says, "Bring to the front the redemption that is in Christ Jesus for spiritual power."

Special series of sermons on practical and spiritual themes are suggested. After the more spiritual preaching many would hold some form of after meeting for individual instruction, persuasion and decision. A considerable number of pastors hold special classes for those who are candidates for church membership, and find it helpful.

One pastor with an experience says, "First of all put an end to the ecclesiastical society, and let the church attend to its own business as a part of its spiritual service. Then declare the living God to be of some

account in his church as well as money, social position, history or opinion."

Better parish work is also magnified as productive of great results. The division of the field into sections, and assigning each to the deacons or the Sunday-school teachers or classes, or some special committee, is very popular, and widely practised through the State.

One pastor sent out fifty hektograph letters to the "shut-ins" of his parish, asking them to pray for the church and its agencies. Several recommend benevolence as aids to spirituality, and some magnify the home life and family worship as of great importance. One says "spiritual life cannot be developed, but springs up under the energizing of the Holy Spirit, and, if it could be, special methods would not do it," and another sweetly reminds us that "all methods are made blessed by a right motive."

Time would utterly fail me to speak of the organizations mentioned, the King's Daughters, the young men's brotherhoods, the boys' clubs and brigades. There is no lack of devices, any of which may have value if conceived and operated in the right spirit.

God is with us and with his churches if we be with him, and he seems to have come very near to the true idea who said, "Let every officer and every department make frequent visits to the burning bush," and likewise he who urged "more teaching upon the office and work of the Holy Spirit."

The spiritual life of our churches will always be most vigorous and fruitful when, with repentance and prayer, we yield ourselves implicitly and lovingly to a divine direction and control.

Approved by the committee.

T. CLAYTON WELLES, *secretary.*

BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.[1]

ANNUAL REPORT.

To the General Association of Massachusetts: —

The Congregational Board of Pastoral Supply respectfully presents its third annual report.

Our office was opened on the first week of July, 1894. Our financial year, so far as concerns the accounts kept with the churches of contributions received from them, still runs from the first of July. The summary of receipts and expenses as given in this report is brought to the first of May, and covers the year preceding that date. In former years our report concerning the work of the office itself has been carried to the date of the meeting of the Association. But it has seemed best, for clearness and for convenience in future reports, to bring this no further than to the same point, the first of May. The effect will be to make the period here covered less than a year, or eleven and one third months only. This should be borne in mind in any comparisons that may be made with the report of last year. The amount of work for this period, so far as it can be tabulated, is a little larger than it was for the whole of the preceding year.

We have rendered service in matters directly connected with filling the pastoral office to one hundred and twenty-seven churches or one hundred and twenty-five pastoral fields, two of these comprising two churches. (If the entire year were taken, bringing the reckoning to the present time, the number would be one hundred and thirty-five.) Nothing is counted except that which has been done in answer to requests from official representatives of churches. The furnishing of occasional or temporary supplies is not included. It is not meant that our office has assisted in the making of one hundred and twenty-five actual settlements. In the case of many churches conferring with us a settlement has not yet been reached. In some instances, communication with us may doubtless have had the effect to prevent the making of proposed pastoral engagements. This is a thing not pleasant to think of; but if no such result ever followed it would prove that we were false to our obligations.

The number of settlements in which we have had what may fairly be called a large and important share was fifty-six. The number of settlements following directly upon recommendations made originally and distinctly by us was thirty-nine. These figures, as before, do not cover an entire year.

Opportunities to appear before churches as candidates for settlement have been furnished to one hundred and one men; this also not covering a full year. With churches that have received their candidates from us

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the average number of such candidates that have been heard before a settlement has been reached — counting the man finally engaged — has been two and one thirty-ninth. Eighteen churches have taken the first candidate sent. The average age of the men settled was thirty-six and five sevenths. Eight were under thirty and one was over sixty.

Of the whole number of churches served by us in matters relating to the pastorate there were twenty-three churches having a membership of over three hundred, — forty-five having a membership of from one hundred to three hundred, and fifty-seven with a membership of less than one hundred. Of these churches, sixteen pay a salary of over $2,000, — forty-two of between $1,000 and $2,000, and sixty-seven of less than $1,000. It will be seen that the proportion of the stronger churches conferring with us is not small.

The whole number of churches in Massachusetts that were without a pastor a year ago was, by our reckoning, forty-six. The number on the first of May of the present year was about the same. These figures may not be absolutely accurate, since it cannot always be known whether a resignation that is reported to have occurred has actually taken effect. Many of the churches that are without pastors are very small. Eleven have less than thirty members.

In our report of last year it was said that we had reason to believe that a very large proportion of the pastoral settlements effected through connection with our office were regarded with continuing satisfaction. It was added that "it would soon be possible, by comparing these pastorates with others in the matter of permanence, to bring the value of the service of our Board to a very important if not decisive test." The time has not been long, but an interesting comparison can even now be made. We find that of the pastors settled by Massachusetts churches conferring with us from the opening of our office in July, 1894, to the middle of May, 1896, seven and two fifths per cent have resigned their places during the year that has passed since that time; while of all other ministers settled in Massachusetts during that same period, nineteen and three tenths per cent have resigned during this same year. The figures may not be absolutely exact, since we are not sure of the dates of all these settlements. But the reckoning has been carefully made, and it is not far wrong.

The very remarkable fact thus appears, that the rate of official ministerial mortality during the last year was between two and three times as great among pastors with whose settlement we had no connection, as it was among those settled at the same time through conference with our office. In other words, the ratio of change during this period has been two or three times greater with men otherwise settled, and the ratio of permanence two or three times greater with men settled through correspondence with our office. These results, to say the least, are of striking significance.

Another remarkable fact might here be noted — though it is nothing with which the work of our Board has so far had anything to do. It appears that the ratio of pastoral change among all the churches of the State is

much greater in the first three or four years of a pastorate than it is in any equal number of later years. The state of pastoral childhood is feeble and precarious; but if once the period of teething and croup and catching fevers and eruptive rashes is passed, there is a fair prospect of reaching a good ministerial old age.

The average length of pastorate with all the ministers now settled in our English speaking churches is about five and four fifths years. Fully one hundred of these churches have now pastors in whose settlement our office has had an important share. This is about one fifth of the number of churches now provided with pastors.

Pastoral engagements are made in increasing numbers without the calling of a council. This is due mostly to an apprehension on the part of the churches that a settlement in the ancient and regular form may prove permanent beyond their wishes. There is an easy remedy, as suggested by Dr. Quint and lately referred to in the Congregationalist, by providing that upon the giving of due notice by either party, a council shall be called to advise upon the matter of the continuance of the pastoral relation. If the Association should deem it wise to make some recommendation to the churches bearing upon this matter, it might serve to give effective support to an important feature in our Congregational polity.

The work of our office in aid of pastoral settlements has increased, we think, as fast as was to be expected, and possibly as fast as was to be desired. It was needful that it should be done first of all with carefulness. With the amount of work that has come to us there must have been made mistakes enough. And the office has been busy enough. There has been no day since it was opened when there has not been much work reluctantly left undone. With better appliances, with methods becoming established and improved, with a rapidly increasing stock of classified and available information, and with some gain perhaps by experience, it may be hoped that in the future our work may be both gradually enlarged in extent and greatly improved in quality.

We should like more money from the churches, if it seemed well to them to give it to us. We have gained on the whole somewhat in this respect; but our receipts are still falling much behind what is needed.

The account for the year, as furnished by the treasurer, is as follows: —

Receipts from churches	$1,407 82
" " individuals	152 00
" " office fees	194 75
" " preaching by secretary	584 25
	$2,338 82

Expenditures: —

Rent of office	$150 00
Care of office	19 80
Office furnishings	87 63
Advertising	31 20
Stationery	21 26

Printing	$13 75
Telegrams	4 81
Postage	96 60
Travelling expenses	87 53
Salary of secretary in part	1,376 24
Salary of secretary's assistant	450 00
	$2,338 82

There is now due the secretary $2,201.37. There are no other debts. If this indebtedness, or some considerable portion of it, might be paid, it would be a great relief to the secretary.

Six conferences made their collections for the Board through their own Treasurers: Berkshire South, Hampshire, Worcester North, Essex South, Norfolk, and Barnstable. It is understood that two others, Pilgrim Conference and Suffolk South, have lately voted to do the same, — making eight conferences in all. There has been steady progress in this direction. In so far as other conferences may deem it wise to follow in this line, the financial problem before us will be simplified and solved. The total receipts for the year exceeded those of the year preceding by $291.40. It will be observed that there was expended nearly $90 for office furnishings. We are now provided, for the first time, and greatly to our advantage, with adequate appliances for the assorting and filing of documents. The expense has been met and more than met by generous individual contributions. This outlay will not need to be repeated. Allowing for this, the receipts of the Board would fall short of meeting its actual expenses by a little more than $500. This rate of deficiency is much too large, but it is less than it was a year ago, and not half as large as it was for the first financial year of the Board. If we could now receive contributions from those churches only which have assured us of their friendly interest in our work, but have not as yet sent us their gifts, this alone would go far to meet the present annual deficiency. In the meantime, during this period of inadequate support, and while the habit of regular contribution from the whole body of our churches is not yet fully formed, we shall be glad if we may receive, still more than in the past, special gifts from such churches as may have the kindly and considerate disposition to make them. We have suffered too, along with all our benevolent societies, by the uncommon hardship of the times. If better days return this will be helpful to us. We desire to go on with our work, thankful for the measure of support we receive, and thankful especially that the churches are showing themselves willing to entrust us with so large a work to be done in their behalf.

The provision made for the support of the Board at the time of its establishment by the Association, in requesting that each church would contribute for this purpose an amount equal to one third of one per cent of the pastor's salary, would be abundantly adequate if it could be somewhat fully carried out. We do not recommend any change in the terms of this provision.

It is desirable that the nature and exact intent of our work itself should be clearly understood.

The central idea of our office is in this: That there should be an agency without the shadow of any authority over churches or pastors, but responsible to the churches, and in a measure to the pastors as members and officers of the churches, which may act in an advisory way with respect to pastoral settlements whenever, and only whenever, it is called upon to do it. It is intended that it should be kept clear of commercial and pecuniary interests in the making of any pastoral engagement. The fact of complete public responsibility is most of all characteristic and fundamental. The sense of obligation to the churches is enforced constantly upon us. Our purpose is to set before churches in a confidential way, whenever they desire it, the most clear and impartial testimonies that can be furnished respecting any man concerning whom they make inquiry. While we do this always with a controlling sense of obligation to the churches, we are required also so do it, to the utmost possible degree, with considerateness and brotherly kindness toward the men concerning whom inquiries are made. Failures must occur; but we aim at the things thus stated. It is hoped that it will become a point of honor in the office that whatever is done shall be done with fairness and impartiality at all costs. It is expected that the usages and traditions of the office may, by and by, and soon, get a setting upon these lines. Rules are being formed already which furnish safeguards, more or less effectively, against narrowly personal influences. It is distinctly forbidden that personal requests, from whatever source they may come, should be allowed anything of weight merely as requests, and beyond the intelligence and good judgment which they may be supposed to express. As matters of personal favor they are not permitted to be in the least regarded. It is not intended either that the individual judgment of any one person in the office should be much put forward as of decisive weight in itself. It is meant that there should be gathered in, as far as possible, the general judgment of discerning men who have had opportunities of knowledge concerning the matters or the persons under consideration. It is the business of the secretary to place this general judgment, as best he can, before those who have need to know and right to know what it is. There may always be an appeal from the secretary to the Board itself.

To the same end, that it may always be known and may always be true that our work is one of public responsibility, criticisms of every sort, even the most severe and adverse, are willingly and thankfully received. Mistakes pointed out are as far as possible corrected. We do not have any pride in keeping on in any course of error upon which we have started; we mean to have our satisfaction in getting rid of errors.

Our Board does not aim at any such thing as the getting wholly into its own hands the matter of ministerial recommendations. This would be altogether unpractical and impossible; and it would be altogether undesirable, even if it were possible. Friendly testimonies, personal and neighborly influences of every kind, will always have their place and use. We

are not trying to hinder the churches from receiving help in their choice of pastors from any and every quarter. We are not opposing anything, and we are not jealous of anything. We are not doing anything except to try to make our own recommendations valuable.

When churches inquire of us, as they do continually, concerning men whose names were brought before them otherwise than through our agency, we make our answering statements not at all less favorable on that account. Pastors of churches that make no contribution to our Board do not suffer in the least for that, even if it should happen to be thought of.

Other things being equal, preference is given to ministers who are without employment. This preference needs to be held within moderate limits; otherwise an advantage might sometimes accrue to restlessness or inefficiency. Often, too, men are assisted who have sufficient occasion for making a change, though they have not in fact resigned their office. In such cases, other things being equal, the pastor who has been longest in his place has preference.

We are slow in helping to unsettle men who are already prosperously at work. But even as to this, it is neceesary to remember that these may sometimes be the very men who are wanted in wider fields, and whose removal may be justified by a fair consideration of general interests.

The secretary ordinarily spends the Sunday with some church that has no pastor. On these occasions he has been allowed to feel at liberty to speak briefly, with such suggestions and encouragements as seemed appropriate. He has reminded the churches of the desirableness and the possibility that at such times faith, hope, and love should abide with them and should specially abound. This part of his work, whether or not of much service to the churches, has been of very great interest to the Secretary himself.

This is a general outline of the purpose and nature of the work of our Board. It is an occasion of continual painfulness to us that we are unable to render to many of our excellent brethren in the ministry such assistance as they desire and deserve. But openings to fields of labor suitable to their wants do not exist in sufficient numbers, and we cannot ourselves supply them.

It is frequently a matter of surprise to our brethren that we cannot furnish them at least the opportunity to visit some church looking for a pastor, even though we might not be prepared distinctly to advise anything in the case. They only wish for the opportunity, and they have no concern about any recommendation. The opportunity they think it ought to be easy for us to provide. Such communications come to us with particular frequency from men without the State. It is natural that there should be such thoughts. But to open their pulpits and give opportunities to candidates for settlement who bring with them no recommendations is precisely that which the churches conferring with us do not wish to do. It is because they do not wish to do it that they come to us. And if opportunities were to be furnished to all, without regard to any accom-

panlment of favorable statements, nothing would remain to be done but to record the names of applicants and propose that they should visit the churches, or any church, in the order of application, or in any other order or disorder that might be imagined.

But this would give no relief to ministers desiring places even if it could be done. It would not increase the number of openings for settlement; nor diminish the number of men that would fail to find them. The only effect would be to take away the advantage which belongs to a good record and a good reputation for character, capacity, and faithfulness. It is not for the interest of the churches or of the most worthy ministers that this advantage should be lessened.

But while we speak in this manner, we earnestly desire it to be understood that where we are unable at once or soon to offer opportunities for settlement to any one, the reason is not necessarily nor probably on account of supposed unfitness with the minister, but on account of general conditions which we are wholly unable to remove. The fixedness of these conditions and their distressing nature can hardly be realized anywhere else as we are compelled to realize them in our office every day and in every hour of the day. We must beg our brethren to be patient with us, and to believe that what we are able to do is no measure of what we most sincerely wish we could accomplish.

We shall not undertake to discuss here the question of a supposed or real surplus of ministers. Hasty and exaggerated statements are often made upon this point. What is most certain is that there is an excess of ministers as compared with the places that are able to afford comfortable ministerial support. The present distress comes more largely of financial than of merely numerical conditions. The general fall of salaries throughout the country, except in the more prosperous towns, is the chief cause of our present embarrassment. This falling of salaries is not due mainly to the number of ministers but to the general severity of the times — unprecedented in our generation.

It has affected men in many other callings of life beside the ministry, in which the most it might be hard to tell — perhaps the farmers most of all.

We need not be too forward in keeping young men back from entering the ministry, if their hearts are in it. They may suffer hardship; but they will find some work to do. We should not state too strongly either the degree of discomfort that is ordinarily experienced by the pastors of our churches, or the measure of unrest they feel. Many of them are sorely pressed. Some of them may be unduly disquieted, being open to human weakness. But the larger part are patient, faithful, useful, cheerful, hopeful, and happy. They are prosperous on the best lines of life; and they are still glad that they have entered upon a calling so sacred and so delightful.

It is most desirable in times like these that the leadership of the Christian ministry in faith and in all gracious works should be maintained and recognized. We hope through this Board, which you have estab-

lished, to assist somewhat in holding up the standard of worthiness and devotion with the ministry, and thus to contribute somewhat to the prosperity and peace of the churches to which our brethren minister.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GAMBLING.[1]

So far as your committee have been able to learn, there was no rumor of pool-selling at races in central and western Massachusetts last season, with the single exception of Westfield. Since that time, the citizens of that town have bestirred themselves for the suppression of all illegalities in their jurisdiction, and with reference to this particular offence a petition has been presented to the selectmen. Matters have gone so far that, even if gambling should be attempted again, it could hardly fail to be so antagonized that it would probably become impossible hereafter.

In no community has this ruinous business of pool-selling, with other gambling, met more determined and successful treatment than in this city of Worcester. When one of your committee first went to the recent city marshall about it, he said that orders had been given to stop the business, and it did stop. The present chief of police also affirms clearly and emphatically that he will not allow any such illegality in Worcester. We are glad to be guests in such a city.

The gain of the year has been made in Medford, from which we receive the following report of progress from Rev. Isaac Pierson: —

"In this city there are two race-tracks. The older is called 'Mystic Park,' and has existed as a racing ground and organization for twenty-one years. The newer is called 'Combination Park' and began operations of like character in June, 1896. Pool-selling and gambling in other forms have been carried on openly at Mystic Park for many years, and like practices were inaugurated at Combination Park from the time of its opening. The evils of this gambling and the temptations to participate in its gains have been more apparent in South Medford, where the parks are situated, than in other parts of the city. Two or more attempts have been made by the Watch and Ward Society to serve warrants and arrest gamblers at the Mystic Park, but without success. So far as yet devel-

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oped, no organized effort to suppress gambling had ever been made within the city prior to the one herein narrated. In December last the biennial city elections took place, and Hon. Lewis H. Lovering was chosen mayor. Private interviews before the election had convinced many of the law-abiding citizens of his entire reliability in the matter of enforcing the laws, both against liquor-selling and gambling. His inauguration into office occurred Jan. 4. On Jan. 25, a committee of fourteen persons, who had been very carefully selected as earnest to suppress gambling, and representing varied interests in the city and widely different callings in life, and each commanding influence among a large circle of citizens, was convened and organized. The committee then went in a body to the mayor's office, where by appointment he received it and listened to its words. The committee, through its chairman, rehearsed the situation past and present as existing at the two parks, and asked that, as mayor of the city, and having ample power to do so, he would enforce the laws of the State against pool-selling and other forms of gambling throughout the city, and especially at and in connection with the two racing parks. . . . The mayor has given official instructions to the chief of police requiring the faithful administration of the laws both against gambling and liquor-selling. And furthermore he has recently called together the whole police force and enjoined upon each member his personal responsibility for its enforcement."

No sooner had the mayor declared his intention to honor his oath of office by enforcing the laws against gambling, than an article appeared in a Boston paper inquiring why citizens should care to agitate a measure which, if carried through, must close the race-tracks and deprive Medford of all the revenue derived from such a source. This question was courteously and thoroughly answered on Sunday evening, March 14, by Rev. Isaac Pierson for his community of South Medford, and by Rev. John Barstow, to a representative congregation, including the city government, in his church at Medford Centre. The local paper in its next issue endorsed the position of the mayor and the arguments of the pastors in an editorial, calm and dignified, but making it absolutely clear that no regard for any financial loss that might accrue to any person or persons from the suppression of gambling, could be allowed to prevent the enforcement of the righteous law of the Commonwealth.

The Boston Congregational Club, in behalf of the larger constituency affected by the gambling nuisance, endorsed the position of the law-abiding citizens and city government of Medford. It is reported from Medford that "the race track people are making preparations for their annual races, but they give no indications of a purpose to resist or evade the law, and so the matter stands, awaiting the developments of the few weeks to come." It is nevertheless true that racing men have commonly said that unless there are pools there can be no races, and that this has been the usual result. It remains, therefore, to inquire whether, if they should wish to avail themselves of legal delays and technicalities, they could do so with success.

Much depends upon public opinion, which is a sufficient reason in itself for action on this matter by our Association. Where public opinion has been unenlightened and indifferent, individual protests against gambling, or even official orders that were merely formal, have failed to enforce the law, which has been successfully nullified by resort to legal technicalities. Thus cases have been continued indefinitely, and fines have been imposed so small that to men drawing gamblers' profits they have been only as license fees. *Nevertheless, be it noted, that in our Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the past five years, it has always been true that whenever a thoroughly enlightened and aroused community, in a reasonable way and through the proper officers, has indicted gambling, no prosecuting officer has failed to bring the case to a conclusion, nor has the fine imposed been so small as to convert a statute manifestly enacted to suppress gambling into a practical license to guarantee extravagant profits to gamblers wilfully and deliberately breaking the law of the State. In brief, hitherto, whenever the law-abiding sentiment of the community has had indicted gambling in this Commonwealth, gambling has ceased.* Medford has now protested against the iniquity to the intent that indictment may follow the offence: Honor to her Mayor and power to his arm!

From one of the selectmen of Saugus your Committee learn as follows: "We have made no change from last year. No permission granted for pool-selling or any form of gambling. License granted for race-course. Same as last year." A statement more positive and clear against the evil under discussion were indeed desirable. The State law forbids pool-selling and gambling. No gambler asks of local authorities license to break a statute of the Commonwealth. All he asks is "just to be let alone." Your committee have made further inquiries, and hope to hear from the selectmen of Saugus that they not only have given no permission to violate the statutes, but that they will not permit the statutes to be violated within the jurisdiction where they are under a sworn obligation to enforce the laws. It were certainly too much to think that Saugus would remain outside the fellowship of municipalities which seek for law and order.

If this Association disapproves of gambling and does approve the suppressions hitherto accomplished, and the contest now on hand, it should be manifested by continuing a committee for the cause, with instructions to illustrate the perseverance of the saints.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.[1]

In coming before you with a brief report of the salient features of the temperance movement within our field, your committee alludes first of all to the just completed decade of continuous prohibition of the liquor traffic in Cambridge, and to the memorable celebrations which took place in the University city, on Saturday and Sunday, May 1 and 2. This is a noble chapter in the municipal life of this historic city, well and worthily commemorated. Best of all the commemoration included the general expression of the purpose to follow the first by a second decade of continuous outlawry of the liquor traffic. The struggles by which the policy has been thus far retained are too well known to require description here. We gladly make note of the event and hold up the example as worthy of all imitation. Wherever else revolutions of municipal policy occur we hope Cambridge will hold herself true to her notable and unique history.

Of course, in fairness to her sister cities more distant from Boston, it ought to be said that she is situated more favorably than they for the permanent maintenance of this policy. But she has not maintained it without great good sense and firm resolution in the conduct of her campaigns and in the enforcement of the municipal mandate.

Upon a petition emanating from this body, the Legislature of the Commonwealth, in 1894, ordered the Bureau of Statistics of Labor to make a thorough investigation as to the relation of the liquor traffic to pauperism, crime, and insanity in this Commonwealth. As we have before reported, the investigation covered the twelve months ending Aug. 20, 1895. The report of the Bureau has been published since our last annual meeting. It forms a volume of 416 pages under the title, "Relation of the Liquor Traffic to Pauperism, Crime, and Insanity." Every available source of information has been canvassed, and the Chief of the Bureau believes that the results of the tables published may be accepted as trustworthy and reliable. The report covers 3,230 returns as to pauperism, 26,672 as to crime, and 1,836 as to insanity. The evidence rests upon personal interviews as to 31,738 cases. It comprises the largest body of information secured by direct personal interview with the persons immediately concerned that has ever been obtained. The volume will be sent upon request and the payment of postage.

And what does this investigation show?

In the matter of insanity, so far as the point could be determined, about half of the insane committed during the year had been in the habit of drinking, and more than two thirds were children of parents one or both of whom used liquor.

Of the paupers, about two thirds were addicted to the use of liquor, or,

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excluding minors, three fourths of them. About half the whole number had one or both parents intemperate.

But the most striking figures are connected with the criminal record. Here we find the relation with the use of liquor more direct and constant.

The total number of criminal convictions of all classes for the year, was 26,672, of which 3,091 were of women and girls. Out of this total, 17,575 were convictions for drunkenness; 657 for drunkenness connected with other crimes; and 8,440 for other crimes, *i. e.*, more than two thirds of the criminal convictions in the Commonwealth were for drunkenness, either alone or connected with other criminal acts. In 82 out of every 100 cases of criminal conviction, the offender was in liquor at the time the offence was committed. In almost half of the 8,440 cases, where the conviction was for some crime other than drunkenness, the offender was in liquor when the offence was committed, and therefore more readily responsive to the criminal impulse, and in more than 57 of these cases out of every 100 he was in liquor when he formed the intent to commit the crime. Thus more than half the crimes, besides those having direct connection with drunkenness, which were proven in our courts upon offenders, were committed under conditions created by the intemperate habits of the criminal. Moreover, in about 60 cases out of every 100, the intemperate habits of persons, other than the offender, are said to have been influential toward the commitment of the offence. This was true of 43 per cent of the crimes other than those connected with drunkenness. Of the whole number convicted of crime, women included, only 6 in 100 were total abstainers, and two fifths of this small per cent of total abstainers were minors. And yet, more than half, even of the minors convicted, had contracted the drink habit. Leaving the minors out of the account, it appears that, of every 100 adult convicts, women included, 96½ were addicted to the use of liquor. Of the male convicts, minors included, 94 out of every 100 used tobacco.

This, indeed, as we have been taught to believe, is the case. But this is a *new and official demonstration* of the claim which we have been accustomed to make. This demonstration is made on the basis of a very wide and wholly unprejudiced investigation into the history of our insane, pauper, and criminal population. It should be noted that few total abstainers ever get into our prisons and houses of correction. Our *pauper classes* are also largely drinkers. The result of this official study of this important social problem shows anew the greatness of this social and domestic curse. No one can form the habit of liquor drinking without grave peril to his whole future. Total abstinence is the only safe rule.

On the question whether license or prohibition most restricts the evils attendant on the use of liquor, the investigation throws some incidental light. During the year covered by the investigation, 260 towns and cities were *wholly* under prohibition, and 53 *wholly* under license. Because the year during which these studies were in progress covered parts of two license years, there were some towns and cities which were under each system a part of the year. The 53 municipalities which were wholly

under license contained half the population of the State. The contrast between these and the prohibition municipalities, in the matter of arrests, is very striking. In the *license* cities and towns, to each 1,000 of the population there were 36 arrests for drunkenness and 22 for other offences; whereas, in the *no-license* cities and towns there were only 10 arrests for drunkenness, and 10 for other causes *i. e.*, 58 against 20, the larger number being where license prevailed. If it is necessary to admit that a part of this difference was due to differences in the character of the places, another comparison is possible which is equally striking and more conclusive. There were 40 towns and cities which changed from one system of liquor control to the other during the year covered by the investigation. And the changes were not all in one direction. When the policy of a given city or town is changed within a certain twelvemonth, a comparison of the arrests under each system is of material value as helping to determine the bearing of each system upon the criminality of the place. The facts in these 40 municipalities show that arrests for drunkenness and for other causes were much larger under license. The real test at this point came in the five *cities* which reversed their policy during this time. The five were Haverhill, Lynn, Medford, Pittsfield, and Salem. Haverhill shows an average of 81 arrests a month for drunkenness under license, and only 26 a month under prohibition. In Lynn the comparative numbers were 315 and 117; in Medford, 20 and 13; in Pittsfield, 93 and 36; in Salem, 40 and 29. Aggregating the five cities which changed their policy in one direction or the other we have 649 arrests for drunkenness per month during the license period of the year in the five cities which changed their policy, and 221 in the no-license period — only about one third as many under no license.

Referring to the movement within the Massachusetts Medical Society which seemed to us, in its animus, hostile to the compulsory study of scientific temperance, as described in our last annual report, and found on pages 116 and 117 of the Minutes, and to the action of this body relative to the matter as recorded on page 117, we beg to report the action which has since been taken in the premises.

Prior to the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Medical Society, held June 9, 1896, Rev. Dr. Plumb, acting as secretary for the allied committees of churches and temperance societies, addressed a circular letter to each of the members of that society, to the number of between two thousand and three thousand, referring to the report which had brought the matter before the society and giving reasons why its positions were not well taken, why they do not form an adequate basis for the action proposed, and why those whose sentiments the circular represented had been led to feel that the purpose of the proposed action was hostile to the compulsory study of Physiological Temperance in the public schools. The circular stated that a hearing had been asked on the question, and urged its recipients to use their influence in opposition to the committal of the name of the Massachusetts Medical Society to any course which might be regarded as one of hostility to the law of the State requiring temperance education.

Your committee, in the persons of some of its members, as instructed by this body, presented itself at the meeting of the Medical Society, in June, together with representatives of other denominations and societies, and respectfully asked to be heard. Our representatives were courteously but firmly refused a hearing on the ground that it was contrary to all precedent that any one save a member should be heard by the society, and that its committee would listen to whatever we wished to communicate. As we had already met this committee, further consultation with it seemed useless.

With all due respect to the Massachusetts Medical Society, your committee deems the refusal of that society to listen to representatives of the churches and temperance organizations of Massachusetts, upon a topic so deeply affecting the moral and physical welfare of the public, a strange disregard for the common law of respect and courtesy.

The result of such refusal was the appointment, by the representatives of religious and temperance organizations, of a sub-committee, to secure from eminent medical authority a careful examination of the text-books on physiology and hygiene approved by the promoters of the temperance education movement, and an opinion thereupon. This committee, which included two members of the committee now reporting, and another member of this body, chose a committee of physicians of eminence from different parts of the country, members of the American Medical Association, to examine the text-books in question and specifically to point out, not if these books are, as no school book ever yet published has been, perfect in expression, but where, if at all, their statements need amending to be in accord with truth, and where those statements are substantially accurate and in accord with the latest testimony of science.

This committee of physicians, thus chosen, began its work in the summer of 1896. Two of the number were unable to act on account of illness. The reports of the others were returned to the committee, who were directed to receive and publish them in behalf of the churches and allied philanthropic organizations acting in the matter. The report of the medical authorities who made the examination was all that could be wished as a vindication of the substantial accuracy of the text-books which had been indorsed by the friends of this phase of the educational movement that had been called in question. Not a single member of the distinguished medical committee of examiners of these indorsed text-books reports finding them inaccurate, but exactly the reverse. It would be a pleasure, did the time allow, to read these testimonies and place them on our records. They are contained in the circular which the committee published and sent to every minister and physician of Massachusetts, to the school boards of every town and city and to the principal newspapers of the entire country. This circular has been freely distributed throughout this house and is therefore available to all present.

The sub-committee well says:

"The bearing of this testimony on the future cannot be over estimated, for it furnishes powerful evidence in behalf of the truth of the physio-

logical reasons for abstinence from alcoholic drinks and other narcotics, the teaching of which has become a part of the system of public education of this nation.

"The irresponsible and indefinite charge that this warning is based on error, and not truth, is now absolutely disproved by the explicit, positive and unanimous testimony of this committee of medical experts, occupying the very first rank in their profession, and after a minute and careful examination of the various indorsed manuals of instruction."

As a result of the timely effort of the committee of this association, supported by the other organizations and individuals who have united in securing this medical testimony, it is confidently believed that the incipient effort to array the Massachusetts Medical Society against the present law requiring scientific temperance instruction in our public schools has been effectually thwarted, so that it will not again be heard from. The service thus rendered to the children, not only of Massachusetts but to those of the whole nation, is of vast significance.

In addressing to the school boards of Massachusetts the communication relative to the report of the medical experts touching the accuracy of the indorsed text-books, the committee, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Plumb, of this body, Rev. Dr. Morgan, and Mrs. Hunt, members of the committee now reporting, called attention to the statutory requirements of the Commonwealth, as interpreted by the State Board of Education, and urged faithful compliance therewith. A list of inquiries adapted both to graded and to ungraded schools was also sent, with the purpose of ascertaining how far the law is observed in the towns and cities of the State. It was asked that replies should be sent in in time for a tabulation of the facts thus elicited to be made and laid before the annual State meetings of the different denominational assemblies. Three hundred and fifty-three school boards were thus addressed. About one seventh of them have returned the blanks with answers to the questions. All of these report a definite course of study in this subject, and say it is taught as a regular branch of study. Nearly all have from two to five lessons a week. All but two or three report that text-books are used. The majority use the indorsed books. Tests and examinations seem to be generally employed in this study as in any other.

In view of the vast importance of the teaching of the truth relative to the dreadful evils inevitably connected with alcoholic and narcotic stimulation, in the language of the committee which has procured and published this medical testimony for us, "We earnestly urge school superintendents, boards of education and teachers to honor the spirit as well as the letter of the statute law, by making provision for as thorough pursuit of this study as they do for arithmetic or geography for 'all pupils in all schools' under their jurisdiction.

"With equal urgency we ask clergymen, and all others who have the public ear, and who have the moral welfare of the future at heart, not only to give their sympathy and active support to such instruction, through public and private utterance and in all other needed ways, but to

watch with vigilance lest through neglect or indifference the children be deprived of this warning education which is their right, and which the State demands. Upon this education the nation relies for a sober citizenship in the future."

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REPORT ON SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.[1]

The fathers of New England were very careful in their observance of the Lord's day. The Puritan ministers in England were deprived of their livings because they refused to sanction the proclamation of King James, which invited the people to devote a part of the day to amusements. They believed and taught that the prosperity of religion would depend in large part upon the fidelity of the people in keeping the day according to the teachings of the Bible. One of their reasons for coming across the sea was the desire to establish a colony where they could train their children to a strict observance of the Lord's day.

The churches of New England have accepted from their fathers the views which they have always maintained in respect to the due observance of the day. They incorporated these views into the Sunday laws which have been in force from the beginning of these Commonwealths. They have taught their children, from generation to generation, to keep the day holy unto the Lord. The religious growth of our churches has been due, in large measure, to their fidelity to the teachings of our ancestors.

It is very true that we do not connect the day so closely with the Jewish Sabbath as they did. We have returned to the view of the early church, that the first day of the week was more than the seventh day, in that it commemorated the resurrection of our Lord. We find that the Sabbath law is much older than the law of Moses. It is the Sabbath of the creation. God had written the law of weekly rest in our physical nature, and in our moral and spiritual nature as well, before he gave the fourth commandment on Mount Sinai. He who claimed to be "Lord of the Sabbath day" has taught us that "the Sabbath was made for man," — that is, for the human race, of whatever period in its history, — and that it has, therefore, the highest divine authority. We hold that we have a

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special duty to bear our testimony always in favor of the observance of the holy day.

A year ago this Association sent to all the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts, a Pastoral Letter, to urge, first of all upon ministers, the importance of explicit teaching, in the pulpit, relating to the Lord's day; and also to urge upon Christian parents, and the superintendents and teachers in Sunday schools, the importance of teaching the children and young people the duty and privilege of honoring the day as a day of rest and worship.

Your Committee have received intelligence from various parts of the State that these recommendations have been of great use. A good number of pastors have preached in respect to the divine authority of the day, and in respect to the best manner of keeping it. Several of the pastors are accustomed to preach frequently sermons designed to promote the observance of the Sabbath. Something has also been done during the year in the Sunday schools. In many of them, however, there is great room for improvement in this respect.

The Societies of Christian Endeavor, of the different religious denominations, are doing a good deal to promote Sabbath observance, and are taking a decided stand against the desecration of the holy day. "More and more," says the General Secretary, "is the Christian Endeavor Society becoming known as one of the many agencies God is using to protect his day. In conventions, in Christian Endeavor papers, and in the regular meetings, the topic is freely discussed, and each year, through quickened consciences, the members are taking higher ground and holding up higher ideals." A Lord's Day Banner is to be presented at the convention in San Francisco, this summer, to the State or province or foreign country that reports the best record in defence of the Lord's day, and the rest day, by its Christian Endeavor Societies. A very definite system of credits has been agreed upon, on the basis of which the award will be made. It has been recommended, in view of the unprecedented peril of the Sabbath, and its very close relation to religion as well as to good citizenship, that a Lord's Day Committee be organized in every society, with a view to making a house-to-house canvass in each city or town, distributing literature, and working up petitions for Sabbath closing.

The Young Men's Christian Associations of the State have also been active and faithful in their work for the Lord's day. A large number of Associations have bicycle clubs, made up of their own members. It is the uniform rule of these clubs that their members are not to engage in Sunday runs.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union has a Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, and it has local committees to aid this work.

In some sections of the State there have been vigorous movements among Christians of different denominations to check the public desecration of the day.

In Springfield, for example, the pastor of the First Church, Rev. F. L. Goodspeed, has taken the lead in a movement against Sunday games of

base-ball. A public meeting of some fifteen hundred people adopted resolutions protesting against Sunday playing by the local club of that city, and asking the club to cancel its Sunday engagements. The Christian Endeavor Union, of Springfield, representing thirty-three societies and more than two thousand members, resolved that "we will, by precept and example, endeavor to maintain the integrity, sacredness, and peace of the Lord's day." This Union also requested the base ball club to omit Sunday games from its schedule. This request not proving successful, they sent letters to the cities where the club had been announced to play Sunday games, asking the good people to awaken public sentiment against Sunday games, and to enforce the law. These letters have met with hearty sympathy in every case. In one city, at least, the game was stopped by simply presenting the law to the Mayor, a Roman Catholic, who saw that it was enforced. The Good Citizenship Committee of the Society of Christian Endeavor in Rev. Mr. Goodspeed's church has sent circulars far and wide, asking the co-operation of good people in defending the Lord's Day. They say, "We are in this movement to stay; and we hope for your assistance to renew the fight against the desecration of the Lord's day, until the evil is abated." With these circulars they have sent out a vigorous article on Sunday base-ball, reprinted from the "Golden Rule." This Committee is receiving letters from the South and the West, and even from Australia, asking for information. They tell us that public sentiment in behalf of the Lord's day is awakening everywhere.

The Christian Endeavor Union of Worcester has entered into an earnest movement to enforce the Sunday law in that city. They have the co-operation of the Chief of Police, who has engaged to close the saloons and to carry out the spirit of the Sunday law. This movement has been heartily endorsed by the ministerial League of Worcester.

An interesting movement has been in progress in Fall River, with the purpose to limit Sunday excursions on the steamers which run from that city. A year ago the steamboats running from Fall River to Providence passed from the ownership of parties who had always refused to do business on Sunday to other parties, who announced that they should use them for Sunday excursions. The Commissioners of Police at Fall River forbade the running of the boats for Sunday excursions. An appeal was taken to the Railroad Commissioners of the State. The Ministerial Association of Fall River, the Sabbath Protective League of that city, and the New England Sabbath Protective League were represented by counsel at the hearing, which was in Boston in June. People from several other cities united in a remonstrance against the Sunday excursions. Two steamboat companies were also represented by counsel. The hearing lasted several days. As the result, the Commissioners forbade the running of excursion steamboats on Sunday. They permitted the regular boats to make two round trips a day, between Fall River and Providence, charging the usual fares, calling at the regular landings, but not calling at the summer resorts in the bay. No liquor was to be sold on board the

steamers on Sunday. This was a substantial victory for the friends of the Lord's day. The companies obeyed the mandate of the Commissioners. Another steamer, however, continued to make excursion trips on Sunday. The Police Commissioners brought the owners into court, and they were fined for breaking the law. They appealed to the Superior Court, but the decision of the lower court was sustained, and the fine was paid.

But at the State election, in November, following these proceedings, the attorney for one of the steamboat companies was elected a member of the General Court, and afterwards became a member of the Judiciary Committee. Through his influence, it is believed, a bill was introduced, designed to remove the restrictions upon steamboat excursions on Sunday. The Protective League of Fall River remonstrated against this measure, and this remonstrance was seconded by various other parties. The bill has been modified in some respects, but it still favors Sunday excursions, and makes it more difficult to shut out such as are especially demoralizing.

These are specimens of the movements that have been made in various towns and cities to limit the desecration of the Lord's day.

The New England Sabbath Protective League, of which Senator Hoar is the President, and Rev. Dr. Kneeland the Secretary, is already an efficient and useful organization, although it has existed, in its present form, only two years. It includes persons from all denominations of Christians, and it covers the six New England States. It is the purpose of the directors to conduct the League in such a manner that it shall deserve the confidence of the friends of the Lord's day. They are avoiding extreme measures, and are following out the "Statement of Principles" which has been so often published, They hope to make it the organ of the friends of the Sabbath, in the great contest which is before us against those who are seeking to secularize the day.

Although the field of the League includes all New England, Dr. Kneeland has spoken, during the last year, in more than fifty churches in the State. He has also conducted a number of conventions in the interest of Sunday observance. Some of the directors have offeredto speak in behalf of the Lord's day, during the week, where their services are desired. It is very encouraging to report that the treasury of the League has been abundantly supplied with funds during this very trying year.

Besides this "Campaign of Education," which it is proposed to extend very much next year, the League has assisted in many instances in the enforcement of Sunday laws. In a number of cases it has only been needful for the secretary to call the attention of the officers of corporations to the fact that they were violating the law, and they have at once given directions to their men to comply with the law of the State. In some notable instances those who had violated the law have been prosecuted and fined. The Courts have uniformly sustained the law, and the Police Commissioners and other officials have done their part to enforce it. Dr. Kneeland has also been in communication with the various organizations of laboring men, and has been of great assistance to them in

securing their right to a weekly rest. "In a number of instances," he states in his annual report, "illegal and unnecessary labor on the Lord's day has been forbiden. A large number of stores opened, or doing secretly some kind of work on Sunday, have been closed. The distinction between licensed victuallers and illegal shops has been carefully drawn." The photographers, the bakers, some of those employed in factories, and on the streets of cities, have complained that they were required to do unnecessary work on Sunday. Dr. Kneeland has assisted these men in their efforts to secure a weekly rest day.

One of the prophetic facts in respect to the movement to protect the Lord's day is this: the workingmen of the country are, for the most part, opposed to Sunday labor. The American Federation of Labor insists that there is no necessity for Sunday work. The various orders of railroad men, including the conductors and engineers, and other classes of the most intelligent men, have declared that the largest part of the Sunday work done on railways is unnecessary work.

No great progress has been made in Massachusetts this year in respect to legislation in the interest of the Lord's day. A number of bills have been brought before the Legislature through the efforts of the friends of the Sabbath. These bills have been supported by committees of this General Association, of the Evangelical Alliance of Boston and vicinity, of the Boston Congregational Club, of the New England Sabbath League, and other religious bodies, and by a large number of practical men, merchants and lawyers and ministers, and by some of the officials of the State. They have also been supported by the representatives of the labor unions. The opposition to these bills has come chiefly from rich and powerful corporations which have a pecuniary interest in prosecuting their business on the Lord's day. In some instances, the officers of these corporations have been able to bring forward a considerable number of their employees who have testified that it would not be for their interest to enact such laws. On the other hand, the great masses of organized laboring men ask for protection against the corporations which require them to work seven days in the week.

An examination of the Acts passed by our Legislature within the last twenty years, including the present year, will show that, *in every instance but one, the changes in the Sunday laws have been such as to relax their strictness.* Some of these changes may have been wise and necessary. But of the tendency in our Legislature to relax the strictness of the Sunday laws there is no doubt among those of us who have had occasion to urge before the committees at the State House the passage of laws to prohibit theatrical exhibitions on the Lord's day, and to limit the power of corporations to require their workmen to work for them on that day.

When the bill to prohibit theatrical exhibitions on the Lord's day was introduced two years ago, it was supported by a large number of petitions, coming from almost every town and city in the State, from churches of all denominations, from schools and colleges, from many thousands of men and women. These petitions showed that the public sentiment of

Massachusetts was decidedly unfavorable to Sunday theatres. These petitions secured the passage of the law, in spite of the efforts of those who had a pecuniary interest in Sunday exhibitions. In every other instance, within these recent years, in which the friends of the weekly rest day have asked for legislation, we have been overborne by the influence of those who have a pecuniary interest in making men work for them seven days in the week. This experience shows that it is worse than useless to attempt to secure legislation at our State House in favor of the Lord's day, unless we can present such an array of petitions as will show that the citizens of the old Bay State really desire the legislation proposed.

The friends of the Lord's day may not be aware of the immense pecuniary interests that have grown up within a few years, that are crowding upon the day of rest and worship. It is in respect to the Sunday question, just as it is in respect to the business of gambling and selling liquor. Those who would secure a reform find themselves confronted by combinations of men who are making money out of the weaknesses and the vices of their neighbors. Some of our railroad corporations, some of the steamboat companies, some of the street railways, nearly all the Sunday newspapers, most of the theatres, the people who furnish carriages and bicycles, those who make money from Sunday base-ball games, — these and many other classes of people, are always ready to do what they can to remove the restraints that hinder them from coining money on the Lord's Day. These people are loud in their complaints against the "blue laws." When the friends of the Sabbath try to make a stand against these rich and powerful combinations, we are in their sight but as grasshoppers. The time is near at hand when those who represent these interests will attempt to wipe out from our statute books what still remain of the Sunday laws of our fathers.

On the other hand, WHATEVER THE CHRISTIAN PEOPLE OF MASSACHUSETTS REALLY DESIRE, THEY WILL HAVE. Our people are still, on the whole, a Sabbath-keeping people. They do not want the French or the German Sabbath in New England. There are many business men and business corporations that favor the observance of the Lord's day. On the whole, the larger number of those who represent the capital and the active business interests of this State, are on the side of the Sabbath reform, as they are on the side of other moral reforms. Some of the proprietors of theatres, many of the largest stockholders in railways and steamers and factories, are the friends of the Christian Sabbath. It is not necessary that the desecration of the Lord's day should continue. If our ministers and churches were as much in earnest in this matter as some of the Societies of Christian Endeavor, these evil tendencies would be arrested in a single year. The Sunday theatres, and Sunday saloons, and Sunday base-ball games, and bicycle runs, and excursions, exist because the natural defenders of the Lord's day have been indifferent and negligent, while those who are growing rich by trampling on the law of God *have been vigorous, and alert, and cunning.*

A great deal has been gained in recent years in respect to the observ-

ance of the Lord's day. The tide is turning. It is not as common as it was to hear people deny the divine authority of the day. More and more, every year, this divine authority is set forth. The consciences of young Christians have been quickened, and the future of the church is with young Christians. The organizations already exist for carrying forward the movement in behalf of God's day of rest. It is becoming clear that the most important subject now before the churches is this matter of Sunday observance. For unless we can stem the tide of Sunday desecration, and secure for the people, in these hamlets, and villages, and cities, its restful quiet, its opportunities for religious instruction and meditation and worship, our people will become less intelligent and less devout, our churches will have smaller congregations, and the good seed will fall among thorns, and in stony places, and on the hard travelled way, — the Spirit of God will be quenched, and the enemies of Zion will triumph.

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The Divine Authority for the Observance of the Lord's Day.

Whether morality can be maintained apart from religion has long been a favorite theme for debate. Whatever may be true concerning the relations of doctrine and life in personal morality, it seems to be demonstrated that no moral institution can be maintained without a firm basis of doctrine. The history of the Christian Sabbath furnishes an instructive illustration. Whenever its divine authority has been clearly and consistently taught its observance has been general. But uncertainty of doctrine has invariably resulted in laxity of practice.

The misuse of the Lord's Day is one of the ominous signs of the times. It summons every student of social forces and every lover of the Kingdom of God to serious thought. And its cause will be found not chiefly in our changed social conditions — though they are not without great influence; nor in the degenerate moral character of this generation — we are not so much worse than our fathers; but in the uncertain and contradictory teaching concerning the authority for its observance. The Roman Catholic bases it upon the commandment of the church. The

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same power may, therefore, annul or repeal the law, or modify its requirements. A single Sunday in Spain or Mexico will demonstrate to any one that ecclesiastical authority fails to preserve the Lord's Day. Among Protestants there is no unity of doctrine. The majority, perhaps, assert in some form the divine authority for the observance of the day. Certain sects zealously proclaim the eternal validity of the Fourth Commandment, including the observance of the seventh day as the Sabbath.

At the other extreme stand those who teach that the whole Mosaic law was made obsolete by the coming of Christ, and who appeal to the example of the apostolic church as the authority for our observance of Sunday. And between these extremes are a great company who maintain that while the ceremonial law has been abrogated, the moral law has never been repealed, and that the essential elements of the Jewish Sabbath have been transferred to the Lord's Day. Many, in despair of securing agreement, have abandoned all appeal to divine authority, and base the maintenance of the day solely upon utility. The health of the individual and the welfare of society, say they, demand the weekly day of rest and worship. This is doubtless true. But the average man wilfully violates the laws of health daily. Regard for his own welfare and that of the community will hardly restrain him from so doing weekly. Physicians are notoriously negligent of their own rules of hygiene. We can hardly expect other men to be more observant of nature's laws. The law must have some more potent sanction. Hence arises the appeal to the authority of the State, not to maintain the religious observance of the day, but to preserve it for rest, and to protect the quiet of those who wish to worship. In this appeal all good citizens of all creeds and no creed may certainly unite. The authority of the Decalogue, the weight of apostolic example, the authority of the church, the authority of nature, and the authority of the State are thus appealed to by different classes. It would seem at first strange that an institution supported by so many and varied sources of authority should ever be dishonored. But the very division is a source of weakness. Amid such diversity of opinion, the pulpit is generally silent upon this theme, where formerly it spoke with no uncertain tone. The public mind is confused and distracted. Even earnest Christians are forming habits of travel, entertainment, and amusement which would have been incredible a generation ago. Meanwhile, greed and pleasure are more and more claiming the day as their own, while labor stands ready, with foot on threshold, to push in behind them. Already more than two millions of our fellow citizens work upon the day of rest. We are repeating the experience of other lands and learning that the rest day for all cannot be maintained, even with the help of the civil power, unless its observance is based upon divine authority. "If the Sabbath comes to us with no authority but that of the Church Fathers, or the Reformers, or even the Puritans," says Dr. Crafts, "it will be as little regarded as other rules from the same sources; as little kept as a Massachusetts 'Fast Day.'" *What, then, are the grounds for maintaining such divine authority for the observance of the Lord's Day?*

I.

The Sabbath is as old as man. Its appointment antedates human history. As far as we can penetrate into the shadowy days of the past we find indications of its observance. The Hebrews had it ages before the law was given from Sinai. It was not unknown to other ancient peoples. The Decalogue did not create moral distinctions. Stealing was stealing when Rachel carried off her father's images. Murder was murder in the days of Cain. No legislation can change fundamental moral law. Not only is it true that moral law is eternal, and independent of specific enactments — the "*vera lex, recta ratio . . . constans sempiterna*," of which Cicero dreamed, and whose seat Hooker declared to be the bosom of God — but it is equally important to observe that every law in the Decalogue had for ages been recognized among men as of binding authority. The Fourth Commandment is no exception. We affirm the sanctity of marriage, because it is not a human invention but was ordained of God from the beginning. Jesus Himself bases it upon this ground. (Matt. xix. 4, 5.) And when we find this institution of the Sabbath at the very origin of society, and are expressly told that it is of divine appointment; when we hear Our Lord declaring that it was made *for* man, and not, therefore, *by* him, there would seem to be as little room to question the divine authority for one institution as for the other. And it is not without significance that the purity of family life is so rarely maintained in a land without the Sabbath. The two institutions stand or fall together. It was not entirely insular prejudice that led Matthew Arnold to say of France, "a nation without a Sabbath and a home without virtue cannot be atoned for by platitudes."

II.

The Law of Sabbath observance was included in the Decalogue. This is the divinely given constitution of a chosen people. It is a "model constitution." What Jehovah deemed absolutely fundamental in human society, He incorporated into these laws. The Hebrew was to be the world's moral and spiritual schoolmaster. Here was his primer. That the lesson has not been unheeded is evident, since this code has formed the basis of all subsequent jurisprudence. But just as the moral law existed before the Decalogue so it remains forever unchanged. This particular and positive enactment, with all that pertained to it as a national law for the Jews, belongs to the constitutional history of the chosen people. But its essential principle abides unchanged. One of our poets has taught us that

"The Ten Commandments will not budge"

to suit the varying standards of successive generations. Shylock asks, in the famous play, "Hath not a Jew hands, organs, dimensions, senses, affections, passions? Fed with the same food, hurt with the same weapons, subject to the same diseases, healed by the same means, warmed and cooled by the same winter and summer, as a Christian is?" (Merchant

of Venice: Act iii. Scene 1.) And we may well ask — Hath not a Christian the same physical, moral, and spiritual needs as a Jew? If Jehovah deemed a Sabbath rest imperatively necessary for one, why should we imagine the other superior to such obligation?

III.

The Law of Sabbath observance is written in the constitution of man. It is engraved in tables of flesh, as well as on tables of stone. Attempts to ignore or evade it have been disastrous, whether individuals or nations have made the experiment. It has been the peculiar glory of our century that it has discovered so many natural forces hitherto hidden and has codified their laws. "The reign of law" has been its watchword, and wondrous indeed have been its illustrations. There would seem to be no need to argue with this generation that the divine law is imperative wherever written, in the body as well as in the Book. We recognize the eternal validity of the moral law because of its adaptation to human nature. Its appeal is not alone, nor chiefly, to external authority. Its authority is the authority of truth, commending it to every man's conscience in the sight of God. Strange indeed would it be, if there had somehow crept into such a code as the Decalogue, expressing the fundamental principles upon which society rests, *one* accidental, local, and temporary decree, embodying no enduring principle, and which humanity might with impunity ignore! No! The law of weekly rest and worship is written on human nature, with a pen of iron and the point of a diamond, and woe to the man or nation that presumes to declare its repeal!

IV.

Jesus and His apostles reaffirmed the law of weekly rest and worship, while they freed it from Jewish limitations. It is frequently argued that the Fourth Commandment, together with the promises of blessing to those observing it and warnings to those who neglect it, with which the Old Testament abounds, is without significance for us, because the law was done away with in Christ. The scope of this paper forbids a discussion of this question at length. But it may serve our present purpose to indicate briefly some valid reasons for asserting the continued obligation of the law of weekly rest and worship.

a. Jesus expressly affirmed that He came not to destroy the law but to fulfil it. He illustrated His meaning by new interpretations of the law forbidding murder, the law against adultery, etc. Instead of annulling them, He made them far more solemn and more stringent. The spirit was substituted for the letter.

In like manner His apostles affirmed the validity of the moral law. "The law is good," declares Paul. Moreover, the separate commands of the Decalogue are renewed in the New Testament, without their local and temporary limitations. To the Jews the command to honor parents was accompanied by the promise of long life in Canaan. Paul reiterates the command, and makes the promise one of universal application. The old law against idolatry is made to apply to the idols of the heart, and "cov-

etousness, which is idolatry" is expressly defined as its most dangerous form. In a similar manner, other laws are reaffirmed. Now, when we have definite and deliberate statements affirming the authority of the moral law as a whole, and when we have separate commandments thus reiterated, it is fair to assume that the principle of the Fourth Commandment is also thus reaffirmed, unless we find it definitely repealed.

b. We do not find any such repeal. The burden of proof rests with those who assert it. Even so careful scholars as Dr. R. W. Dale and Dr. Washington Gladden make the assertion without giving the proof. Dr. Dale seems to teach that the famous words of Christ, "The Sabbath was made for man," mean "for the Jewish man." But he has the almost unanimous verdict of New Testament scholars against him. Dr. Gladden says, "One of the Ten Commandments was, as it seems to me, distinctly repealed by Our Lord," but he does not offer any proof of his statement. (The Church and the Kingdom, p. 51.) That Jesus reached the crisis of His conflict with the Pharisees in His assertion of His Lordship of the Sabbath and His abolition of their abuses of the day is undeniable. But that the deliverance of the day from bondage was the abolition of the commandment no more follows than that His deeper interpretation of the law of purity abrogated the Seventh Commandment.

c. But Jesus did free the law from its Jewish fetters. He treated the Fourth Commandment just as He did the rest of the Decalogue, rescuing it from the bondage of the letter and interpreting and enforcing its spiritual authority. Any code of law, even the Ten Commandments, must be a very imperfect expression of the Divine will. It will have its local and temporal limitations. Framed in general terms, it cannot exactly meet every case. Written in imperfect human speech, it cannot adequately express the perfect will of God. "The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life." The mistake of the Pharisees was in making the commandments the complete and final expression of the divine will. Jesus came into conflict with them upon an occasion when their literal interpretation of the sabbatic law would defeat its loving purpose, and deny the mercy of God in which it had its origin. He indignantly swept away the traditional interpretation which denied the very essence of the law. He found the day a burden: He made it once more a delight. But in so doing He reaffirmed its obligation and established it upon the broadest possible basis. The Sabbath was made for man, — for all men and for the whole man, — body, mind, and spirit. It is God's gift to His children. It is founded on human need and established in divine love. All who accept the authority of the Lord of the Sabbath must admit the force of such a declaration of the permanent obligation of the day of rest and worship. As the followers of Jesus Christ we are free from the bondage of the law. We are Christians and not Jews. For us His example is imperative, His word the final authority. Our observance of the Lord's Day as the Christian Sabbath must be based upon His authority; the methods of our observance must be determined by New Testament standards.

V.

The observance of the Lord's Day as the Christian Sabbath rests upon the authority of Christ and His apostles.

It must be admitted that we have no definite statute requiring the religious observance of the first day. It is also unquestioned that the earliest Christians, who were formerly Jews, retained the observance of the Sabbath, together with the rest of the Mosaic law. Paul tells James that the Jewish converts "are all zealous of the law." But when the Jewish rites were imposed upon Gentile Christians the principle of Christian liberty was vindicated, and Christianity forever laid aside the outgrown garments of Judaism. The language of Paul in Rom. xiv., Col. ii., and Gal. iv. refers to this attempt to compel Gentiles to observe the Jewish Sabbath. He asserts their freedom in terms so strong that they are frequently misinterpreted, without regard to context or occasion, and made the basis of denial of obligation to observe any day of rest and worship. We may even go farther and admit that the Christian ideal makes all time equally hallowed and all places equally sacred. John saw in his vision a city without a temple in which a Sabbath of loving service and highest worship is perpetual. Yet we have not ceased to consecrate churches and to seek "help from the sanctuary." The absence of definite command need not surprise us, nor the gradual growth of the institution confuse our minds. The Lord's Day is no less divinely instituted because its observance was a natural growth, and not established by decree from a new Sinai. Prof. Smyth says with no less truth than eloquence: "The revelations of God's will in act and history are no less authoritative than specific commands. A principle which commands our reason is no less sacred and imperative than a statute. The Resurrection of Jesus was a divine act of commanding significance to the ancient church, and should be so to us. It may well be the foundation of a commemmorative observance no less obligatory than that required in the Decalogue. Redemption is a higher revelation of God than Nature."

Christ set his seal of approval upon the day by His Resurrection; His repeated appearances to His disciples, making their meetings on that day memorable and prophetic; and by the gift of the Spirit, calling into being the Christian Church, whose weekly commemoration of His Resurrection has never ceased. We do not know what instructions regarding the organization of the church He gave to His disciples during the forty days. But we do know that under the direct guidance of their risen Lord they directed the formation of its customs and institutions, and that, with their sanction and approval, the observance of the Lord's Day early arose and was universally accepted. The Mosaic method of institution cannot be more authoritative than the Christian. Sinai is not greater than Olivet, the tablet of the law more imperative than the seal of the Spirit. The obligations of Christian liberty are not less but greater than those of Jewish statute. Listen to the inspired caution of the Epistle of the Hebrews: "He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment . . . shall he be

thought worthy who hath trodden under foot the Son of God?" He who is Lord of the Sabbath has guided His church in the institution of the Lord's Day of rest and of worship. As of permanent value to man, He has asserted its perpetual obligation. Than this, what authority can be higher?

There are three divine revelations, — in nature, history, and the written Word. I have but briefly and imperfectly glanced at two, in their bearing upon this theme. Did not time forbid, I would be glad to adduce the authority of history. I think it is Joseph Cook who has asked us to outline on the map of the world the lands where civil and religious liberty obtain, and then to mark upon a similar map the lands where the Christian Sabbath is best observed. Laying the two maps one upon the other, the two outlines are almost identical. The seal of the divine blessing has been set upon the observance of the Christian Sabbath. The ancient promises to Israel for their fidelity to the Jewish law are still fulfilled in spirit to those who recognize the wider obligation. Wherever, then, we see the handwriting of God, in the Word of His grace, in the Old Testament and the New, in the constitution of man and upon the broad pages of history, we see His affirmation of the obligation of the day of rest and worship. God forbid that we should deny or weaken its authority, and fail to inherit the blessings of the obedient.

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The theme given me for my paper of twenty minutes in length is, "The Duty of Ministers, Churches and Sunday schools in Respect to Teaching Sunday Observance." The utmost condensation is necessary.

I.

First, I should say that our duty is to get ourselves intelligently right on the subject. From the beginning of the Bible records to the end we find references to days of work and a day of rest. Supposing we aggregate all the passages of Scripture bearing upon our theme; we are not only surprised at their number, but at their practical seriousness. References to this institution are found *prior* to the Mosaic period, *during* the Mosaic period, *after* the Mosaic period, specially in the reformation times of Nehemiah, and with an increased emphasis in the writings of the noblest and most spiritual of the prophets, as Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Amos, and Hosea. When we pass over into the New Testament we find the words and customs of our Lord and his Apostles continuing and freshly illuminating the institution which has been in existence from the dawn-

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ings of history, as far as the records which have come to us through Hebrew sources are evidence.

In order to our being sufficiently informed to be of service to others in helping them to attain to intelligent views on this subject, we must ourselves have the *historical sense*.

Whenever we find an institution appearing and reappearing in the long reaches of history, like a river flowing through a landscape, a glimpse of which the traveller gets only now and again on his journeying, the inference that it has continuity and perpetuity is just. This river of the water of life flowing through the ages, contrary to what many persons seem to think, is a *broadening and deepening stream*.

In the Hebrew records the most emphatic words on its importance to the reformation and purifying of *national* life are in Nehemiah and Isaiah. Not in Moses, but in the evangelical prophet Isaiah, do we find that the Sabbath was *a sign* of God's covenant, and that its exaltation or demoralization would be the barometer of national prosperity and adversity. When we come into the *New Testament regions* we find our Lord and his Apostles in perpetual warfare with Pharisaism and Sadduceeism, even as we have to be in perpetual warfare with *Superstition* and *Rationalism*. The Law and the Prophets had been superseded by the *traditions* of men. The Scriptures had been written all over and obscured by Talmudic literature and had become a kind of palimpsest. If we forget this, if we forget that Jesus was not in conflict with a true Hebraism, but with that Pharisaism and Sadduceeism which over-rode and misrepresented the true, it will be the easiest thing in the world to misinterpret the utterances of Jesus and the Apostles bearing upon our theme. I contend that on the part of some who have quoted our Lord's recorded words, "The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath,"—conveniently forgetting what follows, "therefore the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath,"—there has been most unintelligent and unwarrantable misinterpretation. These words *universalize* the Sabbath institution. They take it from under the control of Pharisees and Sadducees, and give it to humanity. But they also assert most emphatically Christ's lordship over it. He claimed lordship over man and over everything necessary to the affirming and making effective of that lordship. In order that we may realize the lordship of Christ (*i. e.*, the sovereignty of God) over our human life, a Sabbath is necessary in which *man is man simply*, and owes as man, in virtue of his relationship to God, an allegiance which can be given to none other. The Sabbath institution is a sign and symbol of this. *Moreover, if we would be intelligently right on this theme, something else has to be clearly apprehended.* Not only the eternal fact of the Divine sovereignty which, once lost out of our teaching and preaching, leaves us strengthless and without authority, — not only must that be there, — something else must be there; something else which will relieve us from the unscientific attitude in which they are found who get the Sabbath law out of the Mosaic decalogue, by abolishing (virtually, if not in fact) the whole decalogue. Our Lord's words, "Think not that I am come to

destroy the law and the prophets; I came not to destroy but to fulfil," are founded upon that which we all must recognize, — the absolute unrepealableness of any law which is moral, any law representing that which is permanent in the nature of God and in the necessities of the constitution of man.

The Mosaic decalogue contains ten laws, which recognize ten principles of moral relation between God and man, and man and man. They are founded in the nature of God and of man. In the fourth commandment are the laws of work and of rest. It is a moral law: it has relation to every other moral law. A complete moral manhood demands co-ordination with these principles of righteous interrelation between God and man and man and man. As well talk of abolishing the law of gravitation as abolishing laws that are essentially moral. Moreover, there is a *morality towards God* as well as towards man. The first part of the decalogue recognizes this morality towards God as the first part of the Lord's Prayer recognizes it. To *get ourselves intelligently right on these recognitions* is necessary before we can be of any service in helping others.

There is no doubt that among ministers and churches and Sunday schools a condition has arisen which is far from being morally and spiritually robust and healthy. The *indifference* in regard to the right and wrong of things is but the sign of a lowered spiritual vitality. Our churches are full of kindly feeling and amiable disposition. Whether we have or have not attained to that genuine Divine charity "which suffereth long and is kind," we have any number of "charities." But amiable people are sometimes the weakest and least effective people in the world. Christian love is not simply amiability. A religious life which acts simply from feeling and not from *conviction* can never be relied upon. It will fail us when most we need it. The conduct of too many of our Christian people in regard to the Sabbath institution, its preservation in dignity and power as something superior and apart, — when everything that is noblest and best in our nature shall come to the front, *that conduct* does not commend itself as being informed by intelligence, controlled by an enlightened conscience, and animated by that quality of love to God and man of which St. Paul speaks so glowingly as of all conditions the most beautiful and manlike. When we have *got ourselves intelligently right on this subject*, so as to be able to speak and teach "with authority and not as the scribes," it will then appear in what sense and how truly in all ages, as saith the prophet, the Sabbath has been *a sign* between God and his people, — a sign of allegiance, a sign of the Divine presence with the people, a sign of national moralization, a sign for a completed redemption under the new, as it was a sign of a completed deliverance under the old, dispensation.

II.

These ideas are built on the historical facts of the Old Testament; they are also in accord with the facts of the Christian history. Gradually under Christian influences, as was to be expected, the Christian Lord's

Day became the rest day of the Church. This is in accord with the idea that the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath, and that henceforth its deepest ground would be a redemption accomplished in the "fulness of time," but ordained before the foundation of the world.* In being associated with Christ and his deliverance of man, the Lord's Day has *universal* significance and application. It associates itself with those *humane instincts* which are the raw material in our nature of the higher Christian life. Intelligent and conscientious Sabbath observance thus becomes an element in our *loyalty to Christ* and in our love to our fellowmen, many of whom are dehumanized, demoralized, and enslaved by corporate powers in which no conscience has seemingly been developed.

As we search into history A. D., as into history B. C., we shall find that the sacred history in our Old Testament records helps wondrously to interpret the history of national life in all times and everywhere. In Christian times and among Christian people the Sabbath has still been a sign between God and man. In the degree of Sabbath observance has been the degree of enterprise, intelligence, and virtue, and especially among the working classes. Take the populations of these countries: New England, Old England (including Scotland and Wales), the north of Ireland, Canada, New Zealand, and Australia, the Protestant cantons of Switzerland, and in these very regions where the Sabbath has been most truly a Lord's day, there has been most markedly everything which makes manhood respected and respectable.

The first and most important thing for us ministers, churches, and Sunday-school teachers to do is to get ourselves sufficiently informed on the subject. We shall then see that to *despiritualize* man is to demoralize him. We shall come to the conclusion that the insertion of the law for Sabbath rest in that Mosaic decalogue, which from its first word to its last is moral, was no accident. Gradually we shall arrive at the conviction that spirituality and morality are so united that they are in their relation as soul and body. It will not take us long to arrive at the conclusion that the Sabbath institution has a relation to the welfare of man as man which we have never sufficiently estimated. We shall not be inclined to use it as the Pharisees would use it or as the Sadducees. These are types of men which belong to all generations. In our days the Pharisees are generally ecclesiastical and other people who think that they can set aside God's laws and substitute their own. The Sadducees generally edit newspapers. "Time was," says one, "when it was a disgraceful thing

* As it appears in the Mosaic Records: The Sabbath institution speaks of emancipation from slavish toil, of deliverance from Egyptian bondage. Even in Mosaism the idea associated with it is redemption. But this redemption has always associated itself with that other and wider redemption which belongs to the human race. The Lord's Day is to us commemorative of that. The Lamb slain is the symbol of it. But the Lamb slain was, in the Divine purpose, slain from before the foundation of the world. What wonder, then, that all through the history which is to reach this fact there should be glimpses of the institution which was to commemorate the deliverance of man from all slavery, temporal and spiritual!

to sit in the seat of the scorner, but now half our newspapers are edited by men who occupy that seat."

Ministers, teachers in our Sunday schools, and especially our young people, need to recognize that there are certain things which *go together*. God hath joined them together; man cannot put them asunder except at a cost which will appear when it is too late. Spiritualization and moralization go together. The divine origin of the Lord's day and the divine origin of the church go together. When Voltaire said, "If you would defeat the church attack the Sabbath," he knew what he was saying. When Renan exclaimed, "*Le Christianisme est mort, il a perdu son Dimanche*," he was a long way from the truth, but he taught us what we need to learn, that the Sabbath institution is of more value than any of us assume. *Injudicious* and *fanatical* advocacy of the Sabbath on Jewish lines of simple fasting and abstention will do us no good. We cannot dictate to *individuals;* we cannot enter *family* life and try to rule it. We are *outside* all *personal* responsibility except our own. We have no rights of judgment in any *family* except that to which we belong. But we are IN the city, IN the State, and we are to be IN the city and in the State as light and as salt. If we are Christian churches we are in the city and in the State to *illuminate* and preserve from corruption. We believe that wherever the Christian Sabbath exists in influence and power it exists as "light" and as "salt."

The reaction from the old infelicities of a partially ripe Puritanism has been excessive. A ripe Puritanism, like a ripe Gravenstein pippin, has a fine, delicious flavor. It is half-ripe Puritanism which is unpalatable. In our church life we have had days and years of nervous hesitation, of timid reserve, of gentlemanly deference, of half apologetic presentation of truth, a condition "of bated breath and whispering humbleness." We knew not to what the new learning, the new criticism, the new science, the new philosophy, would carry us. We know now. Some of the enemies' guns we have captured and turned against themselves. We are beginning an era of new affirmations. We have no need to apologize for our existence or our Bible, or its beneficent institutions. But, we have to build more determinedly and intelligently than ever upon the rock of Divine Sovereignty, the spirituality of humanity, the rights of man as spiritual, the moral infallibility of Christ, — his sole Lordship over man and over every institution whose existence is necessitated by the spirituality of man's nature. Vigorous life in the Church is proved necessary to uprightness of life in the State, and the Sabbath institution has been proved necessary to vigorous life in the Church. It is the most humane of all institutions. Its humaneness proves its divineness. In the admirable report of the New York Sabbath Committee are these words: "The future of the Lord's Day must depend largely on the attitude taken by the Christian ministry in relation to this question. They mould very largely the religious sentiment of the community, and it is on public sentiment which is to so controlling a degree that of the Christian people of the land, that, under God, the permanence of our American habit of Sunday keeping depends."

III.

I would venture to recommend by way of practical application of these suggestions that every Sunday-school library and every pastor's library (if I may be so bold) have in it that volume of Sabbath Essays published by our Congregational Publishing Society. It is a treasure house of facts and arguments on every side of this question.

I would add also the propriety of every minister devoting, at least once in the year, a sermon to this theme. I mean, not an *ex tempore* effusion, emotional and hortatory, but a good, old-fashioned, well-wrought-out, intelligent, scholarly, logical New England sermon, one that has weight as well as length; a well-fed, properly nurtured, full-grown sermon with iron and blood in it; and be sure not to preach it the week after you have somewhat recovered from an attack of grippe.

I would add that one Sunday a year should in the Sunday school be devoted to this theme as a lesson, and that to that lesson as much time and care should be given as the importance of the subject demands. And, lastly, I ask the question whether this Association might not prepare and issue, with the authority of a united vote of commendation behind it, for young people especially, a nineteenth century Christianized exposition of the principles which underlie this subject, and of the conduct which best accords with such principles?

Now I have done. But by way of postscript I would add that if all the churches in the State would unite themselves with the New England Sabbath Protective League and give it such support as is necessary, though the heads of the State set themselves and the politicians take counsel together against the Lordship of Christ over the Sabbath, with King Grog and King Mammon in the lobby, yet there is good hope that we may yet once more set the rightful King upon this holy hill of Zion.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE WIDER CIRCULATION OF RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.[1]

The Committee upon the Wider Circulation of Religious Literature, will occupy but a few moments of your time, as it has described the nature and possibilities of its work, in previous annual reports to the Association.

Special attention is called to the full report submitted at the ninety-third annual meeting of this body held in 1895. In that report will be found an ample statement of the reasons of this Christian undertaking, by which an effort has been put forth to make sure that good books, magazines and papers did not perish after their first reading. The report referred to was adopted by this Association, and printed in the minutes of that year. The work thus undertaken has been continued by your committee. Last autumn a printed letter was sent to each Congregational minister in Massa-

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chusetts, in which were set forth the facts, — that vast quantities of good literature never passed beyond their first use, while at the same time there are needy homes in every community, needy fields in the South, Southwest and West, and along our New England Coast. The circular appealed to the pastors to gather up helpful books and other publications, — supply the wants of their own parishes, and forward any material left over, to the members of this Committee, who would undertake to forward it to destitute places. Christian Endeavor Societies were asked to cooperate by maintaining exchange tables in the vestibule of the churches, where the people might deposit what they could spare, and find what they desired.

The response to this circular letter has been kind, cordial, and helpful. The committee has received fervent thanks from many would-be givers for providing a method by which they could bestow their gifts.

A conviction has been established in many minds that it is not right to store up in cellar, closet, and attic the rapidly accumulating mass of good publications, while sailors, pioneers, mountain-whites, and negroes are so sadly destitute.

The conscience of many Christian people has also been awakened, and old convictions upon this matter have been roused and made to bear fruit. In this way there has been set in motion a quiet but steady current of private generosity, which has blessed many needy places.

In addition, probably twenty thousand publications have been sent to your committee, which have been forwarded to a goodly number of local institutions, to the sailors, light-houses, and life-saving stations along the Maine coast, to the colored school at Knoxville, Tenn., and especially, to Berea College, Kentucky. The Harrow school, at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., has also been assisted by gifts sent by earnest Christian Endeavorers.

Most appreciative and grateful letters have come to your committee from the recipients of these gifts. The committee feels that if those who have given periodicals could but read these epistles of thanksgiving, and still more, if they could know the amount of good which their gifts have done, they would greatly increase their efforts in the years to come to give of their abundance, in order that nowhere in our great country should there be any lack of religious reading matter.

The expenses of printing and forwarding the circulars sent out by the committee amounted to $14.55, which sum has been paid by the treasurer of the Association.

During the year one member of the committee, Rev. W. Walker Jubb, has been unable to co-operate, because of the change of his place of residence to England.

We recommend that the work carried on thus far should be continued by this organization by the appointment of a committee to serve during the coming year.

FRANK BARROWS MAKEPEACE.
ELLIS MENDELL.

REPORT ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

The "Committee on Presenting Resolutions of Sympathy to Labor Organizations," continued from last year, organized with Deacon James G. Buttrick for chairman, and Rev. Jesse H. Jones as secretary. No commission having been given it, the committee had to map out a line of work for itself. Judging from the specific service assigned it at the time of its original appointment in 1895 at Lynn, we inferred that you were expecting its labors should be a ministry of blessing to the same toiling classes, namely: the employees of steam and electric railroads. Upon looking the ground over, we concluded that we could render these men no greater service than to obtain for them one rest-day in seven. We soon discovered that this great blessing could be secured by legislation alone. We accordingly bent our energies to accomplish this result.

If we were to come before the Legislature, we felt that we needed a stronger backing than this Association, which represented only the Congregational churches of the Commonwealth. We therefore invited the New England Sabbath Protective League, which includes all denominations in its constituency, including our Catholic brethren, to join forces with us, and later the American Federation of Labor. The League appointed Rev. M. D. Kneeland, and Bro. Geo. E. McNeill, a recognized leader in labor circles, to unite with the chairman, and Bro. John H. Kilby of this committee, to act as a "joint committee" to superintend the work.

This joint committee first prepared a bill to introduce to the Legislature, which read as follows: –

AN ACT TO BETTER SECURE A REST-DAY FOR WORKING PEOPLE.

SECT. 1. No County, Town, City, municipal or other corporation, organized, located, or doing business in the Commonwealth, and no official, agent, or servant of such corporation, or of the Commonwealth, shall directly or indirectly cause or allow any person to perform labor, either under contract or otherwise, for such corporation or the Commonwealth, more than six days in a week.

SECT. 2. Any corporation or person violating the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for each violation.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1897.

A circular-letter, explaining the origin and character of our movement, and incorporating the bill, was mailed to every clergyman within the

limits of the State, both Protestant and Catholic. Two requests were also made in it, namely: —

1. That each minister would personally see his representative and explain our effort, and, if possible, secure his support of the bill.

2. To obtain signatures to the petition we enclosed, and forward the same to his representative.

The records at the State House show that only seventy-two petitions, representing some two thousand six hundred petitioners, were received there, and these came from less than one sixth of the three hundred and fifty-two cities and towns of the Commonwealth. In our circular-letter, we also asked the ministers to write articles in favor of the bill, to be published in the local press of their respective neighborhoods, which request we know was followed in a few cases.

Your committee visited the Boston Ministers' meetings of several denominations holding them, and personally saw leading officials in denominations not holding them, and in this way support of the bill was secured along the denominational lines of our Methodist, Episcopalian, Baptist, Unitarian, Free Baptist, Universalist, Presbyterian, and Adventist brethren and also of the Boston W. C. T. Union.

A member of this joint committee, morever, attended the annual meeting of the American Federation of Labor, held last December at Cincinnati, Ohio, and there secured the endorsement of our bill by a vote of that body, thus gaining the support of all the local Labor Unions in the State.

The editors of both the religious and secular press in Boston were interviewed, and all of the former, with one exception, and some of the latter, promised that they would co-oporate with us.

In due time the bill was introduced into the Legislature by Rev. Charles P. Mills, a member of the House from Newburyport, and it was referred to the judiciary committee. That committee gave us several hearings, the larger part of the time being occupied by the remonstrants. Our cause was ably presented by Rev. Doctors Plumb, Little, Allbright, Kneeland, Hon. S. B. Capen, Hon. S. C. Darling, Geo. E. McNeill, John H. Colby, Mrs. Susan S. Fessenden, President of the Boston W. C. T. U., J. F. O'Sullivan, one of the editors of the Boston Globe, and others. Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale, and Charles E. Adams, President of the State Board of Trade, were both present a part of the time, and were ready to speak in favor of our bill had opportunity occurred. It was said at the close of the hearing that the presentation of our case was made with exceptional strength and effectiveness. But our labor was in vain, so far as immediate results are concerned, for the judiciary committee reported on our petition "leave to withdraw." The reason for reporting thus, we understand, was the opposition to the bill of certain railroads and some of their employees.

The joint committee personally interviewed quite a number of the corporations that would be affected by this legislation, both manufacturing and railroad, steam and electric. Without an exception the admission

was made that the principle upon which the bill was based, namely: man's need of a rest-day in seven, is a correct one. Superintendents of electric railroads further admitted that it was practical. A former superintendent of one of its largest divisions told us that he could operate the whole West End Road in conformity to the law without difficulty by a re-adjustment of its schedules of running time. The extra expense to the road would be but a trifle. Another superintendent told us that it would not affect the dividends of his road to live up to the law. So, then, we see that the warfare we have been waging has, in the last analysis, been the physical and moral welfare of the employees vs. the selfishness of the corporations.

In verification of what was said in our report last year concerning the discontent of the West End employees, on account of excessive hours and Sunday labor, your committee may mention the unfortunate strike of these laborers in the midst of the Christmas holidays. A committee was appointed by these men at their meeting in Faneuil Hall to confer with the West End company, and if possible, to remedy their grievances. Robert Treat Paine, Esq., Ex-Congressman McEttrick, and one member of this Association's committee, Rev. Dr. Allbright, consented to do what they could in this difficult situation. Indirectly their labors accomplished very much to restore the harmony which is now manifest in the return of nearly all the men to their places, and in the increased efficiency of the service.

Before closing this report we feel that we must introduce one witness whose testimony has a direct bearing upon the matter in hand. We refer to Hon. John E. Sanford, chairman of the Railroad Commissioners. He was invited to appear before this same judiciary committee on one of the days we were there, at a hearing given certain parties who wanted the Sunday law so changed as to allow them to run excursion boats from Fall River on the Lord's Day. Mr. Sanford said that while he believed every man had a right to observe the Lord's day in any manner he saw fit, he did not think it was right to compel ten men to work on that day in order that ten other men might enjoy themselves. He thought something ought to be said in behalf of the fifty thousand railroad employees of the Commonwealth. These men had as much right to their Sunday as any others. Referring to the action of the Board some time ago prohibiting the running of Sunday trains to Newport, he said: "After that decision of the Board I was surprised at the demonstration of thanks which was received from railroad employees. I knew many of these employees whom I meet on my daily rides on the trains; they are honest, hard-working men, and they are good citizens and gentlemen. Many a gray-haired conductor and many young men came to me after that decision, and expressed their gratification at the decision which would prevent their being obliged to work on Sunday. They said they felt that the decision of the Board was the best thing ever done for the railroad employees of the Commonwealth."

There is quite a contrast, surely, between this testimony and that

introduced by interested parties at our own hearing where some of the "bosses" of a remonstrating railway told the Judic ary Committee that they were there to protest against the proposed legislation, on behalf of themselves and others of their brethren. They said that they wanted to work seven days a week, and being happy and contented as they were wished to be let alone. To be sure these "bosses" admitted that their efforts to secure signatures from the employees of the road to their remonstrance were prompted by the receipt of a "letter from the office" calling their attention to the matter. Moreover, they gave their testimony with the "general manager" of their road sitting in front of them. How strange that there should be such a discrepancy between Railroad Commissioner Sanford's employees, and the employees of this general manager! Which, think you, is the most trustworthy testimony? The members of your committee have their opinion.

JAS. G. BUTTRICK, *chairman.*
REV. JESSE H. JONES, *secretary.*

THE CHURCH AND SECULAR SOCIETIES.[1]

ADDRESS OF REV. CHARLES PERRY MILLS.

The address of Mr. Mills, which was unwritten, is reproduced in outline. He said: —

"The Church and Secular Societies" is a subject on which it is easier to thunder than to lighten. This address is conceived in devotion to the church, not in antagonism to secular societies. If they fade from view under the line of argument to be developed, it will be as stars recede before the light of day; stars can sometimes be seen, however, during daylight, and some secular societies may remain even when the Church shines in splendor. What there is of good in secular societies is the fruit of our common Christianity; and they exist, producing good, because the church has vacated so much of its office. If we can make our church life more nearly coincident with our Christian life, the church will forestall the reason or necessity of secular societies.

I. Our first endeavor must be to fashion the idea of the church. It rests upon four pillars, all of which are unique.

(1) It is divine in its origin. It is the church of the living God. His purpose produced it, his Spirit impresses it, his power will consummate it. Secular societies grow out of human instincts, begotten of blood, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man, and they move to the level of earthly purposes. Though they may trace their lineage back to Zerubbabel or to Solomon, they begin short of the beginning and are not comparable with the church whose birthplace is in the will of God.

(2) The church is spiritual in its aim, primarily and ultimately. This is not a denial that its aim includes the humanitarian, or that it employs material agencies and accomplishes material results; but its aim rises from humanity's base to the crown of all life, and its loftiest reach is spiritual. It ministers to the body as the habitation of the Holy Spirit, and it serves the soul as the master of the body. This is not true of secular societies. They are social clubs, the substance of whose life is in their fraternity. Their religious rituals, elaborate and impressive though they may be, are only incidental to their existence and purpose, and are not to be ranked with the rites and ordinances of God's holy church. At its best, a secular society is a human fraternity; at the church's best, its fraternity is human and divine.

(3) The church is universal in its sympathy. This is true as respects time, place, and condition. Secular societies are restrictive, commercial, selfish. The disinterested benevolence of the church toward all sorts and

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conditions of men is not the same thing as sick benefits to the members of a guild who have paid their dues. There is some difference yet in morals between benevolence and business. A church is not a savings bank paying dividends to depositors, nor an insurance company to provide annuities for policy-holders. Secular societies are these, with certain social appurtenances and occasional benevolences, but they are not intrinsic benevolence organized to answer the cry of the human.

(4) The church is eternal in its duration. It began with God's earliest residence in the human heart; it has continued through changing dispensations; it will grow towards a finality as a habitation of God in the spirit and society of men under celestial conditions. Secular societies, beginning short of the beginning, end short of the end. They are destined for an epitaph, like kings and empires.

> "Oh, where are kings and empires now,
> Of old that went and came?
> But, Lord, thy church is praying yet,
> A thousand years the same."

II. Our second endeavor must be to practically and efficiently embody in each local church the idea of the church.

The church is supreme among all merely human organizations, not a competitor among them; but it must not remain an ideal in the air, an apex in vision, without a base of reality among men in their present human needs. Take our bearings from Christ incarnate. He combines the real and the ideal, the practical and the spiritual. He was the healer of diseases and the forgiver of sins, the feeder of the body and the teacher of the mind, the divine humanitarian and the humanitarian divine. By his miracles, parables, and deeds he ministered to men, all of them; to man, all of him. He was a spiritual church in the flesh, an institution in motion, going about doing good. Take our bearings, also, from the church nearest Christ. It was born of the Spirit and ministered to the body; it ministered to the body and directed its prayer to the Spirit. It had all things common and appointed officers to distribute bread to widows. By the logic of supreme pattern and example, the argument is with the institutional church, make it more institutional; with the open church, make it more open; with the free church, make it more free. It will be vain to endeavor to wean men who are members of secular societies. We must capture a new generation of men; and to effect the capture we must generate a new church. Until the church comes back to humanity and feeds the hungry and sits at the bedside of the sick, the secular societies in that regard must take the place of the church; but a church that is Christian with Christ's spirit and example, that is apostolic with the apostle's doctrine and fellowship, will win men to its Lord, will wield them for his work, and will weld them into a society of saints.

Grandest, costliest, richest cathedral ever erected by Christian devotion to our divine Lord is Sancta Sophia, at Constantinople; yet to the traveller it is a disappointment on the exterior, because there is no point of view

where it can be seen in its majestic form and grandeur, so closely is it pressed on every side by various buttresses, booths, baths, shops, stalls, tombs and bazaars. Even so is the church in modern city life pressed by surrounding secular societies.

In imagination sweep them back, and build the church once again on ample area where it will stand in its true majesty and supremacy before the rapturous and unhindered vision of men, and the old devotion will be renewed and costliest offerings will be brought from all secular societies as tributes to the church, as the richest treasures from pagan temples in Europe, Asia, and Africa were brought to adorn the shrine of Constantine.

Entering within the interior of Sancta Sophia, in the tympanum over the central gate you behold a process that speaks the full recovery of Christ to his church. Upon their conquest of that cathedral the Mohammedans covered all the Christian insignia with various devices; but the pigment is wearing away, and there to your adoring view reappears from the shadows the outstanding figure of Christ, the cruciferous nimbus upon his head, seated upon a throne, the right hand extended in benediction and the left pointing to the open gospel, which says, "My peace I give unto you. I am the light of the world." All of which points to the two-fold call which we must heed, whether you call it the recovery of the old or the conquest of the new: first, the church must outwardly stand supreme among men, founded and pillared on its own ground; secondly, the church must inwardly shine with the supernal light of the enthroned Christ, who is the eternal peace of its own sweet society.

THE CHURCH AND SPIRITUAL POWER.[1]

ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT MERRILL EDWARDS GATES, LL. D.

Few men of our generation have known life more widely, or tasted its flavors more fully, than did James Russell Lowell. In a letter to a friend, written not many years ago, he said in substance: "As we grow old, two things, and only two, retain the sweet freshness which they had for us when we were young — the utterances of the great poets, and the return of spring." We are met at a time of the year when the flooding life force in the arteries of Mother Earth is testing every organic growth which has or seems to have a root. "Are you alive?" says the surging force which now impels all living things to put forth growth and blossoms. "If you are not dead you must grow," says this compelling power of life which is transforming the face of nature. The "Master of Those Who Know," the Great Teacher whose words are life, has bidden us "consider the lilies of the field *how* they grow," and we need not fear to learn lessons from nature. Let us not lose the great lesson which the burgeoning, blossoming springtime with its flood-tide of life should teach us.

The supreme question for us is, *Are we alive?* How fully are we alive? Is the tide of life in us so strong that by our deeds and words we impart life to others? This is the time of year when we look to see blossoms, leaves, and new growths on the tree, if it has roots well down in the soil. And if the Christians who make up the Congregational churches of our Massachusetts Association are rooted and grounded in God, there will be constant evidence of growth and life in our churches.

CHRIST DAILY TOUCHES HUMAN LIFE.

To know the meaning of life is a great achievement. To the true understanding of life, history and biology are both necessary — the study of history, to discover tendencies and true proportions; and biology, the study of life itself, for actualities, for facts that throb with present life. We need to know what has been, what our predecessors have thought and done, that we may understand the stream of tendencies in which we find ourselves; and we need to study actually living forms, and to be in touch with human life as it now is, in order that we may know that we have the power, each for himself, by intelligence and will, to modify and control these tendencies. We need the historic Christian church, and we need to know its history. We need still more the closest and most loving sense of the social life and the great social needs of our own time and of

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our own community. The God we worship speaks with authority to every man in the secret chamber of his own consciousness. But when our God was made manifest in the flesh, he was found amid throngs of men, profoundly touched with sympathy for the needs of the multitude, not holding himself aloof to commune with his Father. He rose early in the morning to strengthen his soul by communion with God, but we find his days spent uniformly in the midst of pressing throngs of busy, toiling, suffering, sinful men and women, no one of whom he ever sent away unkindly. When that Eternal Word, which in the unmeasured ages of eternity was God with God, became clothed upon with flesh and took his favorite name, the Son of Man, how constantly we find him touched by the outstretched hand of the sinful and suffering, and walking early and late among masses of men to give to them the healing, uplifting power of God.

THE HISTORIC CHRIST A PROFOUND SOCIOLOGICAL FACT.

We need, for spiritual power in our churches, the knowledge of a historic Christ. God was made manifest in the flesh. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, "else is our preaching vain and your faith is also vain." (1 Cor. xv. 14.) The scholarly investigation of the written records, even the would-be destructive criticism of the last forty years, has resulted in giving to us, more firmly established than ever before, the record of the historic Christ, and of a Christ who has dwelt among men by his spirit, since the Day of Pentecost. The history of the Church of Crist is of profound interest. Jesus Christ rose from the dead, he has lived, and still lives his life upon the earth in the new nature of the members of the true church of Christ. The triumphant emergence of the historic figure of Jesus Christ, Son of Man, and manifest Son of God, from out the clouds of metaphysical objections to his deity, and the dust of criticism as to his place in history, which for a time withheld the eyes of some that they could not discern him, is the sublime outcome of the last thirty years of study and controversy. This new assurance that Jesus Christ has lived and still lives is the most profound sociological fact of this closing decade of the century. The deity of Jesus Christ was never so generally and so reverently recognized as it is to-day, the world over. The would-be destructive criticism of the last decades, and the comparative study of other systems of religion for these last five years, have made pre-eminent the moral supremacy of the life and the teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ. As the selfishly ambitious conquerors, who have grasped at dominion in past centuries, dwindle to petty proportions under the clearer moral light which permeates the study of the past and gives hope to the social life of the present, the one figure that dominates history is the figure of our Saviour and our King. And the church of the living Christ shall prevail.

THE HISTORIC CHURCH, THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH.

There is a mighty power for us of the church of Christ to-day, in this clearer historic consciousness of the great work which has actually been accomplished in the history of the race by the church of the risen Christ.

We come to see that the church has been the great moral antiseptic which has preserved the race from decay, from vicious degeneration and spiritual atrophy. And we come to distinguish clearly in our thinking between the outward, the formal church, the organization which has claimed the princely purple thrones, the lordly possessions, the temporal powers and statistical and numerical glories, on the one hand, and on the other, the true church universal, invisible, spiritual, which has been under the direct sway of the Spirit of God who is the Spirit of Life, and whether rich or poor, whether itself in temporal power or under persecution by temporal powers, has been marked by the spirit of Jesus Christ, has lived by the life of Jesus Christ, has uttered lovingly to others the words of Jesus Christ, and through all these twenty centuries, in peace and in persecution, has been the body of Christ, the true temple of the Holy Ghost. "We believe in the Holy Catholic Church" of all Christian denominations. "We believe in the communion of saints," and we are met here for the sake of such communion and in joy of such communion, that by closer union with Christ, and closer communion with those who love Christ, we may make that life more richly known to our fellow men.

OUR THEME IS LIFE IN THE PRESENT.

But our theme is not life in the past, but life in the present. As the student of biology turns from tracing in a block of stone the form of what was once a living organism, to study the living tissue and the developing life-power of the plants and animals about him, so we turn from the history of the church in the past to the life of the church of Christ in our own land to-day.

Every organism is a witness to life, either to life in the past, in which case it is a fossil, or to life in the present, in which case it is a living thing. Every social organization is a witness to the existence of life, either in the past or in the present. Every *living* organization is a witness to present life. But there are social organizations, once instinct with life, but now mere shadows — moribund survivals — almost lifeless or quite dead. You have taken in your hand delicate structures whose nice proportions and perfectly adapted parts were manifestly designed to perform all the functions of life. The fossil structure bears witness to life which once existed. The fossil is always pathetic because it is the trace of what was once alive. It speaks eloquently but sadly of life that has departed from it forever.

THE TEST OF LIFE.

What is the biologic test of the presence of life-power in an organism? As living tissue, does it make conquests of matter which was not alive? Is the organism adding to itself by drawing in substance from without? Does it make new growth in which the same life appears "after its kind"? That wonderful first chapter of Genesis, in which grave and simple sentences carry the thought with majestic strides through the creative and developing ages, formulating God's law in creation, gives us

the subtle law which the biologist now discerns in evolution, — the tendency of every living organism (modified by environment) to produce others "after its kind."

The church is more than an organization. Wherever a church is the church of the living Christ, that church is a living organism. The divine life of the Son of God is in it, perpetuates it, and sends it on in its work of conquest to produce other Christians and other churches "after its kind." From the history of the last twenty centuries there rolls out to our ears, as the kaleidoscopic changes of migration and conquest pass before our eyes, this great biologic hymn: —

"Oh where are kings and empires now,
Of old that went and came?
But, Lord, thy church is praying yet
A thousand years the same."

The church is pre-eminently the life-force in the world. Christ is the Source of life, and the church is the living organism through which Christ pours spiritual life into the race. The church that is alive makes conquests over death, not only in the individual lives of its own members, but in the world about it, by laying hold of those who are outside the "bundle of life" and bringing them into living touch with God in the living church. The church which does not make converts to Christianity is not a living church. The individual Christian who is not bringing others to Christ has no evidence that he is himself in Christ. "He that abideth in me and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit," says the Master of Life. "I have chosen you and ordained you that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain." If the life of Christ is in us, that life will bear in us the fruit which it bore in him. "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." — 1 Tim. i. 13. "As thou hast sent me into the world," said our Lord Jesus Christ, when he prayed for those who should believe on him through the words of his disciples, "even so have I also sent them into the world." — John xvii. 18. If Christ was sent into the world to save sinners, those who have the life of Christ in them are sent into the world, as he was sent, to seek and to save the lost.

SEEKING THE LOST.

This seeking for the lost is the heart-beat of the life of Christ. The church that has not this throbbing pulse of tender, eager desire to save men has not the life of Christ. No other test is so constantly held up before us throughout the Gospels and the teaching of the churches in the Epistles. The supreme danger of the Congregational churches of Christ in the State of Massachusetts is that we do not make steady aggressive growth in winning men, women, and children to Christ.

It is not more of denominationalism that is needed. It is more *love for the souls of men* that is needed. We need a truer philanthropy. How awful is the comment upon the life and the ideals of the church of Christ,

when we attempt to separate the word philanthropy — love of our fellow-men — from Christianity. Was there ever one who loved his fellow men as Jesus Christ loved them? Did he for a moment forget to care for the weary, plague-stricken body, or for the nurture of little children, or for the feeding of the hungry, or fail in sympathy with the homeless ones, — he who had not where to lay his head? But his words are life, because he never attempted to secure the best results by confining efforts to the lowest lines. Loving supremely the souls of men, the Great Physician cared for their bodies. Himself the fountain of life for the spirit, and health for the soul, the touch of his human hand of flesh and blood gave healing to the human body, while his words gave life to the soul. True Christianity is the highest philanthropy. And the source of the renovating stream of life in the church is, the love of God — the love of God for man, and the answering love of men for God which it awakens. The love of men by their fellow men is the result, the fruit, the proof, of the love of God.

THE MAN WHO LOVES GOD MUST LOVE HIS FELLOW MEN.

The supreme evidence of the love of Christians for their fellow men is the great truth that no man can truly love God without loving his fellow-men. The solidarity of the race, as the world is beginning at last to apprehend it, finds its significance and the prophecy of its ultimate triumph realized in that Fatherhood of God which alone gives meaning to the brotherhood of men. "By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep his commandments." "For whosoever is born of God overcometh the world" — the proof of divine life in a man or in an organization, "Who is he that overcometh the world but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?" "If we receive the witness of men? the witness of God is greater." "He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in HIM." "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son." "He that hath the Son hath life, and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life."

When our churches fail to lay hold of the world about them for Christ, is it not because their members are not *laid hold upon* by the consciousness of the love of Christ?

CHRISTIANITY IS THE TRUEST PHILANTHROPY.

We may have entire confidence, when we look at the life and the example of Christ, that nothing which elevates and blesses the body, the mind, or the soul is foreign to the work of Christ. More powerful with every added month of life is the appeal to my heart and to yours, which comes from the simple record in the Gospels of the deeds and the words of Christ. How all-comprehensive his work for men! What phase of philanthropic effort can possibly be thought of as foreign to the Christian? When Paul, who had seen more clearly than any other (unless we except that beloved disciple who leaned upon the breast of Jesus) the meaning of the words and deeds of our Lord, in his letter of thanks to the beloved brethren at Philippi for their gift to him, seeks to give them, in quick re-

view, the graces which a follower of Christ should put on, — you remember that when he has named joy, moderation, freedom from anxious care, prayer, supplication, and thanksgiving, he lifts his head with the quick exultant vision of the thought that *all perfection* everywhere is a precious manifestation of the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, and as if he would say, "Do not count yourself to have achieved until you have put on *all* that belongs to the character of Christ, he cries out, "Finally, brethren, *whatsoever things are true*, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. (Phil. iv : 8).

There is no fear that the Christian church to do its best work will need to go outside the circle of Christian graces and Christian effort; but if it is to do its work, the church must never forget that *spiritual life* by union with Christ is the beginning and the end of all possible blessings for every man.

THE ESSENCE OF CHRISTIANITY IS THE VISION OF CHRIST. THIS GIVES POWER.

The essence of Christianity is spiritual force. The *fruits* of Christianity are shown in intellectual and physical and material blessings. But the power of the Church, that power by which it overcomes the world, lies in its *spiritual vision* — in its reception of that life of Jesus Christ which is the Light of the World. "Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?"

Fruitage *in the life* is what the churches desire. Fruitage *in the life* is what the world demands of the Church. *Fruitage in the life* is what Christ promises to those who abide in him. And the connection between a richly fruitful life, and *belief of the heart*, is an absolutely vital connection. "As he thinketh in his heart, so is he." Nothing can exceed the clearness of this teaching running all through the Bible. It is the knowledge of God in Christ which is life eternal; and this eternal life already given to those who believe in Christ, already triumphing over the temptations, the hindrances, and discouragements of the temporal life, — this *eternal life* is the spiritual power of the church of Christ. It comes by seeing and knowing God in Christ.

The measure of this spiritual power in our churches is not their numbers, although we long and pray to have their membership increased. The measure of this power is not found in the money resources of our churches, although we long and pray for that sanctified sense of stewardship on the part of every Christian which shall make him consciously hold in trust for the work of Jesus Christ all the material resources which God has entrusted to him. The spiritual power of our churches *is* measured by the *reality*, the *loving certainty* of their *vision of God in Jesus Christ.* In proportion as the members of our churches one by one see and know the risen Christ day by day, in that proportion (and in no higher proportion) will the life of our churches be a power in the community in which they are placed.

The Judge of all the world, at the judgment day, will test men, Christians and all, by the divine test, *Did you believe in me?* but the belief in question will be no mere formal subscription to a formulated creed. It will be that grasp of the mind and the heart upon a *Person*, the divine Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, which is the mightiest motive in shaping the life. What is essential in this belief may be put into forms of human words; but that does not make it a formality. No force which works among men is so mighty as the force of a loving belief in a noble person cherished in the heart. No force in the history of the world has been so potent as the divine force *of belief in the Lord Jesus Christ* as the *Son of God* and the Redeemer of men. And he tells us that his test at the judgment seat will be this: "If you professed to believe and to know me, yet did not do my works, I never knew you and you never knew me."

There can be no true belief in Christ without works of mercy and of blessing toward men. And if we would multiply the works of mercy and of blessing among men, let us seek to multiply the number of those whose lives are laid hold upon by that supreme power, the love of God in Christ.

Life-power and moral truth are the mightiest forces in the universe. In Christian character these two forces are united. God is life and truth; God-likeness, worked out in life, is character. Into Christian character has entered "the omnipotence of a principle," the vital breath of Christ himself; and the almightiness of God is pledged to make Christian character, which is vitalized truth, the mightiest power which sways the life of men.

The essential question, in determining the spiritual power of our churches, then, is the question of their conscious, living union with a risen and living Christ.

HAS THE EMPHASIS UPON THE HISTORIC CHRIST MADE LESS VIVID THE PRESENT CHRIST?

For these last decades, the thought and the study which have been focussed upon the Bible have gone largely along the lines of the investigation of historic facts and of human authorship as indicated by the literary characteristics of the books of the Bible. Has it ever seemed to you, as it has to me, that the trend of these currents of study and criticism tends to lead the thought of Christians too constantly *toward the past?* After all, what is the value of the Bible to us of to-day? It has no value whatever, unless through it we *see the face of our Heavenly Father*, and know that that face is even now turning toward us in forgiveness and love, yet with supremely holy commands. The highest use, the essential value of the Bible for us, is that through it we may to-day and every day see the face of the living Christ, our King. William Tindale, who first gave to the men of our English race the precious words of the New Testament in our mother tongue in 1525, and for this great gift was strangled and burned, has left to those who came after him, in these gracious words, his idea of the use to which we should put that Bible for

which he was ready to die that he might make it easily accessible: "The Scriptures spring out of God and flow unto Christ and were given to lead us to Christ. Thou must therefore go along by the Scripture as by a line, until thou come to Christ who is the way's end and resting place."

But how, if the thought and study which centre upon the Bible, stopping short of the vision of God, not seeking to reach the "way's end," concern itself chiefly with the *length of the way*, with the construction of the part of the road which is to be travelled? How if discussions center upon the probable age of certain parts of the work, and the number of the workmen who were busied in constructing this pathway which should lead the soul to God? It is not strange that multitudes stop short of Christ, who is the way's end.

MEN'S HUNGER FOR A LIVING GOD IS SHOWN IN STRANGE FORMS.

There is a hunger in the heart of men for union with their Father, God. The restlessness that prompts to sin and attends upon *sin* is the negative side of this hunger of the soul. There is a very true sense in which Jesus Christ is the "desire of the nations," although they know it not. Multitudes inside our churches and multitudes without the pale of church membership have this vague desire to be now and daily in touch with the living God. The turning toward a superficial theosophy, which seeks to conceal its shallowness by the pretence of mysterious depths, is evidence of this longing of the Zeit-geist, not for a knowledge of a mystic God so much as for the *immediate knowledge of a God now living*. The emphasis which recent study has placed on *the historic Christ* has often tended to crowd Christ back to a place in ancient history.

> "*So long* since thou wast here, that to our seeming
> Thou art like some fair vision seen in dreaming.
> With glare and glow and turmoil, sigh and shout,
> The world rolls on and seems to bar thee out."

Men and women who feel the stress of this perpetual obtrusion of the historic and the critical method into views of Bible truth long for a religion which gives the sense of immediate and present contact with the Father of our spirits. No one can study the life of our cities, noting the restless turning toward the cult of the so-called Christian Scientists, and toward the vague hope of satisfaction in those shapeless theories of mysticism which have kept the social and religious life of India amorphous and hopeless, — no one can note these tendencies in our city life, I say, without becoming aware of the fact that the unshepherded multitudes are restless because they do not hear the voice of the Good Shepherd. Inside our churches and outside our churches, men long for the spirit and the living voice of the living God. As they weary of the historic and critical discussions, they feel disposed to say with Whittier, —

> "We may not climb the heavenly steeps
> To bring the Lord Christ down;
> In vain we search the lowest deeps,
> For him no depths can drown.

But warm, sweet, tender, even yet
A present help is he;
And faith has yet its Olivet,
And love its Galilee.

The healing of the seamless dress
Is by our beds of pain;
We touch him in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again."

THE HOLY SPIRIT WITNESSING TO THE LIVING CHRIST.

This blessed truth of the immanence of the spiritual life of Christ in the church of to-day is the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. When Jesus himself said to his disciples that it was better for them that he should go away in order that the Comforter might come, he promised to us who had not seen him in the flesh a blessing richer than his bodily presence with us, — the presence of the Holy Spirit, whose office it is to make of the things of Christ and show them to us, thus making him more vividly present to each member of his church than he could possibly be were he limited to presence at one place in his bodily form.

The truth is, my Christian brethren, that we have too long worshipped *a dead Christ*. The cross of Christ is the power of God unto salvation. But it is this power precisely because it is the cross of *the risen Christ*. As soon as the Spirit of God had descended to dwell upon earth in the church of Christ, it was the power of the risen and ever living Savior who gave his life for its conversion, and did the work of sanctification upon the lives of the believers. Read again the Acts of the Apostles and the teaching given to the churches by the Holy Spirit in the Epistles, and see how uniformly the stress of the preaching passes straight beyond the cross and the tomb to the resurrection and the power of the risen and glorified Christ. "All power is given unto me in heaven and on earth," our risen Lord declared before he left his disciples; and from that day to this, his church has had spiritual power in proportion as it has seen and rejoiced in the risen and all-powerful Saviour. It is the supreme office of the Holy Spirit, in this the dispensation of the Spirit, to bring the hearts of Christians under the power of an "all-conquering companionship" with the risen, all-powerful Saviour.

THROUGH THE SCRIPTURES TO THE LIVING GOD.

If our knowledge of God were limited exclusively to the use of the historic method which should confine all that we can receive and know of God, to the intellectual apprehension of what is conveyed in the books of the Bible, we should indeed be poorer than we are. The right use of those books lies in bringing us one by one to the open vision. Abiding in Christ, we are conscious of daily communion with the living God. The hunger of our spirits is met by his daily answers to prayer, by his hourly impartation to us of the life that is in Christ. All that the soul hungers after in mysticism is given to us in this spiritual union with Christ. And more is given. The supreme value of the Bible lies in this fact, that

it reveals to the soul the way to God, and when that way has been followed and the soul has received life and is in communion with the Father of our spirits who is the Source of Life, we are not left to those vague ecstasies which have misled mystics in all ages. But what the spirit receives of the life of God is constantly tested and confirmed by the inspired record in the Word of God. We are not left to the roundabout way which must reach back twenty centuries through written records for communion with God. A direct line is given us from the court of Heaven to that audience chamber in every believing, loving heart where messages of life are hourly received and answered. "Lo, I am with you, all the days, even unto the end of the ages," says the risen Christ, and the spiritual power of our churches to-day lies in the freshness and joy with which this teaching is received into the hearts of loving members, one by one. In life, social and spiritual, a measureless force awaits our use. The vast, limitless force of the Holy Spirit of the living God is brooding above us within our reach, if we will receive it, — yes, pressing upon us with a solemn plea that we submit ourselves to the life and power of Christ, that we may be used of God to bless others. In his infinite love for men, God reached down to us in the messages of his Word, overweighing our human language with expressions of his love, until it fairly breaks down, surcharged with the burden of unutterable fatherly affection. And then in the fulness of time he took on our human life in Christ, and in the Eternal Word of God made flesh our Father lives his love into the life of man through the life of Christ, that we may be freed from fear and sin, and may come to the knowledge of God which is life eternal, and to the full stature of manhood in Christ Jesus.

And for all those good works which the world needs at the hands of the church of Christ, the power of the living God will fully equip our churches, if we who are members of Christ will receive, one by one, that power of the Spirit for the service of God in serving our fellow men, which is so freely offered us in Jesus Christ.

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Andrew W. Archibald, Porter ch., Brockton, *i.*, April 22, 1897.
William A. Bartlett, Kirk st. ch., Lowell, *i.*, Nov. 30, 1896.
James M. Blue, United ch., Lawrence, *o.*, July 14, 1896.
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Arthur S. Burrill, North ch., Haverhill, *o.*, Sept. 29, 1896.
Raymond F. Calkins, First ch., Pittsfield, *o. asst. p.*, Oct. 20, 1896.
Andrew Campbell, Wood Mem. ch., Cambridgeport, *o.*, Sept. 24, 1896.
Samuel M. Cathcart, Third ch., Chelsea, *o. p.*, Dec. 1, 1896.
Edward H. Chandler, Wellesley, *i.*, April 8, 1897.
William O. Conrad, Rollstone ch., Fitchburg, *i.*, Oct. 13, 1896.
Charles M. Crooks, Coleraine, *o. p.*, Feb. 2, 1897.
Allen E. Cross, Park ch., Springfield, *i.*, Nov. 18, 1896.
Sarah A. Dixon, Tyngsboro, *o. p.*, June 16, 1897.
Albert E. Fitch, Park st. ch., W. Springfield, *o. p.*, Nov. 11, 1896.
William B. Forbush, First ch., Warren, *i.*, Nov. 11, 1896.
Edward T. Ford, Pilgrim ch., Harwichport, *o. p.*, May 25, 1897.
Albert S. Gilbert, Second ch., Milton, *o. p.*, April 21, 1897.
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Harry O. Hannum, Southwick, *o. p.*, Sept. 16, 1896.
Vernon C. Harrington, Norton, *i.*, Feb. 4, 1897.
Charles S. Holton, First ch., Newbury, *i.*, May 11, 1897.
Carl J. Larson, *Scand.* ch., Woburn, *i.*, April 20, 1897.
Samuel L. Loomis, Union ch., Boston, *i.*, Nov. 18, 1896.
Frank L. Luce, Union ch., Taunton, *i.*, June 22, 1897.
Henry G. Megathlin, Broadway ch., Fall River, *o. p.*, Dec. 18, 1896.
Andrew P. Nelson, *Swe.* ch., Lowell, *i.*, May 14, 1897.
Edwin L. Noble, Wendell ave. ch., Brockton, *i.*, June 1, 1897.
Charles Pease, Third ch., Chicopee, *o. p.*, Oct. 20, 1896.
Isaac Pierson, Union ch., Medford, *i.*, Oct. 28, 1896.
Robert L. Rae, Waldo ch., Brockton, *i.*, Sept. 15, 1896.
Frank E. Ramsdell, Pilgrim ch., Cambridgeport, *i.*, Feb. 10, 1897.
Charles S. Rich, Stockbridge, *o. p.*, Sept. 24, 1896.
Enrico Rivoire, Boston, *o.*, Feb. 9, 1897.
Hohannes K. Santikian, Lowell, *o.*, Feb. 2, 1897.
Cyrus I. Scofield, Northfield, *i.*, May 26, 1897.
John L. Sewall, First ch., No. Brookfield, *i.*, Oct. 27, 1896.
Oliver D. Sewall, Harvard ch., Brookline, *i. asst. p.*, March 1, 1897.
Thomas Sims, Melrose, *r.*, May 25, 1897.
Alexander Sloan, Groveland, *o. p.*, June 15, 1897.
Albert D. Smith, Northboro, *i.*, Nov. 11, 1896.
Axel H. Solberg, Lowell, *o.*, Dec. 10, 1896.
W. Sherman Thompson, Cliftondale, *i.*, Oct. 13, 1896.
George H. Tilton, No. ch., Woburn, *r.*, Oct. 13, 1896.

Arthur Truslow, Union ch., Winthrop, *o. p.*, Sept. 30, 1896.
John E. Tuttle, Union ch., Worcester, *i.*, Feb. 18, 1897.
John J. Walker, Yarmouth, *i.*, April 6, 1897.
Robert W. Wallace, First ch., Somerville, *i.*, April 20, 1897.
Herbert A. Yountz, Middlefield, *o. p.*, May 27, 1897.

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Fred. H. Bodman, Coleraine, Sept. 8, 1896.
Charles R. Brown, Winthrop ch., Charlestown, Sept. 21, 1896.
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William E. Cadmus, Hingham, Jan. 13, 1897.
John E. Dodge, Lake View ch., Worcester, Dec. 29, 1896.
Willis E. Dudley, So. Natick.
Harris G. Hale, First ch., Warren, Aug. 25, 1896.
George A. Jackson, Swampscott, June 22, 1897.
W. Walker Jubb, Central ch., Fall River, Sept. 16, 1896.
Isaac J. Lansing, Park st. ch., Boston, April 1, 1897.
Fritz E. Peterson, *Scand.* ch., Woburn, April 20, 1897.
Joseph Provost, *French* ch., Springfield, March 1, 1897.
Abram J. Quick, Union ch., Ludlow, April 28, 1897.
Henry S. Snyder, Williamsburg, April 27, 1897.
Mark B. Taylor, Canton, April 26, 1897.
William E. Todd, Broadway ch., Fall River, Dec. 18, 1896.
John E. Tuttle, College ch., Amherst, Nov. 23, 1896.

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Charles C. Bruce, *w. c.*, Somerville, Jan. 26, 1897.
Henry T. Cheever, *w. c.*, Worcester, Feb. 13, 1897.
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Robert Crawford, *w. c.*, *Clinton, Ct.*, Oct. 26, 1896.
Henry P. Cutting, *a. p.*, Harwichport, Dec. 13, 1896.
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Mark Gould, *w. c.*, Worcester, Aug. 7, 1896.
John L. Harris, *w. c.*, Everett, May 7, 1897.
Nehemiah Lincoln, *w. c.*, Campello, June 21, 1897.
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Leander Thompson, *w. c.*, Woburn, Oct. 18, 1896.
John W. Tolliver, *p.*, Springfield, May 24, 1897.
Joshua T. Tucker, *w. c.*, Dorchester, June 11, 1897.

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MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS.

Dates from the earliest times of the Colony. Annual business meeting in the court-room of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston, at 5 P. M., on the last Wednesday in May. Sermon at 11 A. M., on the day following. At this service a collection is taken, which, with the income of the Convention fund, is distributed to the widows and laughters of deceased Congregational ministers.

Every minister of a Congregational church in Massachusetts (whether Trinitarian or Unitarian) is *ex officio* a member of the Convention.

There is a reporting committee of twenty-five, selected by counties throughout the State, by which recommendations are made to a central committee of seven, which decides on all applications for aid.

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Incorporated in 1786. Organized to hold the funds of the Convention. Composed of fifteen clergymen and fifteen laymen, elected from both branches of the Congregational body. Aids the widows and orphans of deceased Congregational clergymen who have died while holding the pastoral office in Massachusetts.

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Applications for aid should be made to Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, Mass.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP.

The special attention of the churches is called to the following RULE of the Association: —

V. MEMBERS. — Each Evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association its pastor and one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, treasurer, and the pastor of the church with which the annual session is held, shall compose the General Association.

This resolution was also adopted: —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that churches sending delegates to the Annual Meetings of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts shall be recommended to pay the expenses of the delegates whom they send.

A DELEGATE FROM EVERY CHURCH would give us a grand and inspiring meeting.

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The Minutes are sent to the churches by direction of the General Association. It is requested that one copy annually be preserved with the records of each church, and that the remaining copies be distributed among the officers and members in the way most likely to promote an intelligent interest in the condition and prosperity of the churches.

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THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL AID.

This Board had its origin in action taken by the General Association of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts in 1868, and was incorporated by an act of the Legislature in 1869.

Caleb H. Warner, 48 Brewster Street, Cambridge, is now its president; Arthur G. Stanwood, Esq., 701 Sears Building, Boston, is treasurer, to whom all contributions should be sent.

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Applications for aid should be sent to Rev. Edward B. Palmer, at Room 9, Congregational House. A small contribution is greatly needed annually from each church. Donations are also solicited from individuals. Should any one desire to leave a legacy in aid of the benevolent work of this Board, the following form of bequest will be sufficient: —

I give and devise to the Board of Ministerial Aid, incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, for the charitable uses and purposes of said Corporation,

No officer of this Board receives any compensation for his services. No other board, society, or organization in this Commonwealth contributes anything for the support of needy Congregational ministers. Our country gives large pensions to her needy soldiers. Why should not our churches give something for "the aid, support, and comfort of their aged, disabled, superannuated, or needy ministers," and of "the widows and children of such ministers"?

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NOTICES FOR 1899.

Meeting of 1899. — Greenfield, Tuesday, May 16.

Expenses. — The treasurers of the conferences are requested to ask the churches to contribute, at the autumnal meetings, a sum equivalent to six and one quarter cents for each member, based upon the total membership of Jan. 1, 1898, and to forward the amount to William A. Paine, 52 Devonshire Street, Boston, Mass. These amounts are needed promptly, and it is specially requested that all dues be paid before Jan. 1, 1899. The number of members in each church will be found in the statistics of the churches in this pamphlet.

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Rev. Charles B. Rice, *secretary,*

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RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

I. NAME. — This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

II. OBJECT. — Its object is to secure Christian union, fellowship, and intercourse among the ministers and churches ; promote spirituality, and to co-operate with one another and with other ecclesiastical bodies in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom.

III. DOCTRINAL BASIS. — This Association agrees to the Declaration of Faith adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches in the year 1865, the doctrines therein set forth being understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the gospel.

IV. DENOMINATIONAL BASIS. — Being based exclusively upon Congregational principles, this Association shall, under no circumstances, exercise ecclesiastical authority over churches or individuals, or interfere with the government or discipline of the churches, or consent to hear appeals, or give advice in ecclesiastical causes of any kind.

V. MEMBERS. — Each evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, treasurer, and the pastor of the church with which the annual session is held, shall compose the General Association. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit.

VI. OFFICERS. — 1. A secretary, an assistant secretary, a registrar, an assistant registrar, and a treasurer shall be chosen by ballot, each to serve three years from the close of the session at which the choice was made; to these offices any member of any Congregational church connected with this body shall be eligible. In case any of these offices become vacant between the annual meetings of the Association, the vacancy may be filled until the next following meeting by vote of the remaining officers.

2. A moderator shall be chosen by ballot from the members at each annual session who shall serve until his successor is chosen at the opening of the next annual session.

3. The secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, collect the statistics of ministers and churches, and have charge

of the printing thereof ; distribute the publications of the Association and preserve, for the permanent use of the Association, copies of all its publications.

4. The registrar shall make the records of each meeting, and preserve them as the permanent property of the Association. He shall give suitable notice to the churches of the time and place of each session.

5. The treasurer shall receive all money raised for the use of the Association, disburse the same as directed, and present an annual report, to be audited as the Association may direct.

6. The secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer shall be, *ex officio*, members of the Association. Their travelling expenses in attending the several sessions shall be paid by the Association.

VII. ANNUAL MEETING. — The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of May, at two P. M. (or at some other more convenient hour), at such place as shall have been duly designated.

VIII. HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY. — The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may annually elect two delegates to be members of this body, while it consents that this body may nominate two persons for membership in the Executive Committee of that society.

The two persons thus nominated shall be from the membership of the Association at the time, and shall not be eligible for nomination for more than two years in succession, and shall, if required, make report concerning the work of the society at the next meeting of the Association.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE. — Official fraternal intercourse with the several State Congregational organizations, and with other denominations, is sufficiently had by the representation of this body in the National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States.

X. ORGANIZATION. — The moderator, or in his absence, the pastor of the church of the place of meeting, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until it be properly organized. The Association shall then be organized by the choice of a moderator and the session shall be opened with prayer.

XI. COMMITTEES. — The following committees shall be chosen: —

(1.) A Committee on Credentials, which shall be appointed by the moderator immediately after the opening of the session, to which all certificates of membership shall be referred.

(2.) A Committee on Nominations, to nominate the following and any other committees referred to them, except as hereinafter provided.

(3.) A Committee of Arrangements for the session consisting of five, of whom two shall be from members of the Provisional Committee, to prepare the business of the session, and no business shall be introduced

but through the hands or with the approval of the committee; but if said committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

(4.) A Provisional Committee of five, of whom the secretary or registrar shall be one, to prepare the schedule for the next annual meeting, to select a preacher for the Associational sermon, and persons to prepare such written papers as they shall deem desirable.

(5.) A Committee of Publication to consist of the secretary, registrar, treasurer, and two other persons to be appointed at the session, which shall make provision for the printing of such documents and papers as may be necessary in the work of the Association.

(6.) A Committee on the Work of the Churches, which shall make report to this body at the next annual session upon the work of the churches and state of religion. This Committee shall consist of the chairmen of the corresponding committees of local Conferences, the secretary, the registrar, and twenty-one members at large, — to be so classified that seven shall be elected each year for a term of three years.

(7.) A Committee to Audit the Accounts for the next annual meeting, which shall report the state of the treasury and the sum, in its opinion, necessary to be asked from the churches for the next ensuing year.

XII. EXERCISES. — The time of the annual session shall be occupied by devotional services, the consideration of the state of religion, the wants and methods of home evangelization, addresses, and discussions of practical religious interest, and attention to the objects of benevolent enterprise sustained by the churches.

XIII. SPECIAL ORDERS. — 1. At the opening of the session, on the mornings of Wednesday and Thursday, the moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the sessions of each day shall be closed with prayer or hymn.

2. The Associational sermon and Lord's Supper shall be assigned to Tuesday evening. Wednesday evening shall be devoted to exercises having special reference to the people of the place of meeting, or a sermon may be preached, the preacher to be selected by the Provisional Committee. One session of the Association, or a part thereof, shall be given to the Mass. Home Missionary Society.

XIV. PLACE OF MEETING. — Previous to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify the place of meeting for the next year; and the church of the place of meeting selected is requested to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper in the course of the service. The Lord's Supper shall be administered generally without remarks.

XV. RULES OF ORDER. — The rules of order shall be those found in common parliamentary practice, subject, however, to the following specifications: —

1. That all reports of committees other than those named in Rule XI. shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the regular meeting, and furnished to the secretary on or before April 1st. They shall not be read at the meeting, but one hour of the session may be devoted to the discussion of these topics.

2. That no committee other than those named in Rule XI. shall be continued without a definite yearly vote of the Association, and no member of any special committee shall serve for more than two consecutive years without an enabling vote of the Association.

3. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, the moderator shall entertain motions only as follows, viz.: to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone to a time certain, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the foregoing order.

XVI. AMENDMENTS. — 1. Any of the above rules, except the first five, may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote, the proposed amendment having been submitted in writing on the day previous to that of the action.

2. Amendments to either of the first five articles shall not be made except upon their proposals in writing at the annual meeting next prior to that of action, and after notice has been sent to the several Associations, Conferences, and Churches, and by a two-thirds vote.

MINUTES.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS met for its ninety-sixth annual session with the Second church, Greenfield, Tuesday, May 17, 1898.

ORGANIZATION. — At 2.30 P. M. the Association was called to order by Thomas Todd, of Concord, moderator. A quorum being found present, the Association proceeded to ballot for moderator for the ensuing year, and made choice of Rev. G. R. W. Scott, of Leominster. Prayer was offered by the moderator.

ROLL OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

DELEGATES FROM THE CHURCHES.

Adams,	Rev. Alford B. Penniman.
Agawam,	Rev. Walter Rice.
Amesbury, Main St.,	Rev. George L. Richmond.
Amherst, 1st,	William B. Jackson.
" College,	Wm. I. Fletcher.
" North,	Deacon Samuel E. Harrington.
Andover, South,	Miss H. Eliz'th Giddings, Rev. Frank R. Shipman.
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw.
" Seminary,	Rev. Cecil F. P. Bancroft.
Ashburnham, 1st,	C. H. Howard.
Ashfield,	Rev. Geo. H. Bailey, Dea. Frederick H. Smith.
Athol,	Dea. A. R. Tower.
Attleboro,	Rev. Edwin L. House.
Bedford,	Rev. Elihu Loomis.
Bernardston,	Rev. David H. Strong, Salmon B. Hoyt.
Beverly, Dane St.,	Rev. Francis J. Van Horn.
Boston, Berkeley Temple,	Dea. Hamilton S. Conant.
" Eliot, Roxbury,	Dea. Alpine McLean.
" W. Roxbury,	Hamilton I. Smith, Rev. Frank W. Merrick.
" Jamaica Plain,	Rev. Charles L. Morgan.
" Immanuel, Roxbury,	Rev. Charles H. Beale.
" Neponset,	Rev. Eugene C. Webster.
" Pilgrim, Dorchester,	Rev. Wm. H. Allbright, Mrs. Arthur Dempster.
" Highland Ave., Rox.,	Cornelius Vander Pyl.
" Central, Dorchester,	Rev. Perley B. Davis.
Braintree, 1st,	Rev. Josiah W. Kingsbury.
Bridgewater,	Rev. Elbert S. Porter.
Brockton, 1st,	Charles D. Brigham.
" South, Campello,	Archie H. Doten.
Brookline, Leyden,	Rev. Harris G. Hale.
Buckland,	Rev. Edw. A. Robinson, Dea. Sumner J. Ward.
Cambridge, 1st,	Dea. Charles W. Munroe.
" Prospect St.,	B. G. Pettee.
" North Ave.,	Rev. Elijah Horr.
" Pilgrim,	Dea. Edward Kendall.
Canton,	Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty.
Carlisle,	Rev. Lyman Mevis, H. Arthur Page.

Charlemont, 1st,	Dea John H. Smead, Rev. Wm. R. Joyslin.
" East,	David S. Thayer.
Chelsea, 1st,	Rev. Ross C. Houghton, Henry H. Stickney.
" Central,	Leonard A. Treat.
Concord,	Dea. Thomas Todd, Rev. George A. Tewksbury.
Danvers Centre,	Rev. Harry C. Adams, Rev. Charles B. Rice.
" Maple St.,	Rev. Edward C. Ewing.
Deerfield, South,	Rev. Edward Grisbrook, Chauncey Tilton.
Deerfield,	Rev. Andrew Campbell, Miss Frances A. Billings.
Easthampton, Payson,	Rev. Charles H. Hamlin.
East Longmeadow,	Rev. Harry C. McKnight.
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	Rev. George R. Hewitt.
" Rollstone,	Dea. Albert B. Peck.
Foxboro',	Rev. George F. Wright.
Framingham,	Rev. Lucius R. Eastman.
Georgetown, 1st,	Rev. Henry R McCartney.
Gloucester, Trinity,	Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard.
Granby,	Rev. Robert C. Bell.
Great Barrington, Housatonic,	E. F. Barnes.
Greenfield, 1st,	Rev. Carey H. Watson.
" 2d,	Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, Dea. F. A. Rugg.
Groton,	Rev. Louis B. Voorhees.
Hardwick, Gilbertville,	Chas. F. Angell.
Hatfield,	James Porter.
Haverhill, West,	Rev. John N. Lowell.
" Centre,	Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Albert Emerson.
Hawley, West,	Mrs. F. W. Atkins, Rev. Thomas S. Robie.
Hinsdale,	Rev. James C. Seagrave, Rev. James H. Laird.
Holyoke, 1st,	George W. Winch.
" 2d,	James H. Newton, Rev. Edward A. Reed.
Hopkinton,	Rev. Theodore J. Holmes.
Hyde Park,	Henry D. Noyes.
Lawrence, Lawrence St.,	Rev. William E. Wolcott.
Lee,	Rev. Lyman S. Rowland.
Lenox,	Rev. Edward Day.
Leominster,	Rev. G. R. W. Scott, Mrs. G. R. W. Scott.
Lexington,	Rev. Charles F. Carter, Edwin F. Fobes.
Littleton,	Waldo E. Conant.
Longmeadow,	Rev. Stephen G. Barnes, Rev. R. S. Underwood.
Lowell, 1st,	Dea. Andrew Liddell.
" John St.,	Rev. George H. Johnson.
" Highland,	Rev. Charles L. Merriam, Dea. Jas. G. Buttrick.
Lynn, Central,	Dea. Isaac K. Harris.
Medford, West,	Rev. Judson V. Clancey.
Melrose,	Dea. Moses S. Page.
" Highlands,	Fred. L. Hatch.
Merrimac,	Judge M. Perry Sargent, Rev. George L. Todd.
Middleton,	Rev. Warren P. Landers.
Milton,	Rev. Henry S. Huntington, Dea. John A. Tucker.
Monson,	Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, Dea. E. F. Morris.
Montague,	Auret M. Lyman.
" Miller's Falls,	Rev. Dorr A. Hudson, Dea. Jeremiah H. Mahony.
" Turner's Falls,	Rev. Frank N. Merriam, Edward Goddard.
Newbury,	Rev. Charles S. Holton.
Newburyport, Prospect St.,	Rev. Myron O. Patton.
Newton, 1st, Centre,	Rev. Edward M. Noyes.
" Elliot,	Rev. Wm. H. Davis, Charles A. Haskell.
" Newtonville,	Rev. John M. Dutton, Dea. N. H. Chadwick.
Norfolk,	Edward W. Mann.
Northampton, 1st,	Prof. H. N. Gardiner, Rev. Henry T. Rose.
" Edwards,	Isaac Bridgman.
North Andover,	Rev. Henry E. Barnes.
North Brookfield, 1st,	Rev. John L. Sewall.
Oxford,	Rev. Albert E. Bradstreet, John E. Kimball.
Palmer, 2d,	James B. Shaw.
Petersham, }	Rev. Preston R. Crowell.
Phillipston, }	Mrs. Preston R. Crowell.

Plymouth, Manomet,	Rev. Haig Adadourian.
Princeton,	Rev. Charles A. White, Dea. J. D. Gregory.
Randolph,	Rev. Charles A. Hilton, M. Wales Baker.
Reading,	Rev. Robert W. Haskins.
Rockland,	Rev. Fred Hovey Allen.
Rutland,	Rev. Sidney Crawford.
Sandwich,	Rev. Wm. H. Woodwell.
Sharon,	Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Dea. D. Webster Pettee.
Shelburne,	Rev. Joseph A. Goodrich.
" Falls,	Rev. Walter H. Ashley.
South Hadley,	Samuel N. Miller.
Spencer,	Rev. Sherman W. Brown.
Springfield, 1st,	William H. Haile.
" North,	Henry N. Penfield.
" Hope,	Rev. George H. Howard.
" Emmanuel,	Rev. David L. Kebbe, Dea. Nelson Lombard.
" Park,	Dea. James H. Barton.
" St. John's,	Rev. Frank W. Sims.
" Faith,	Rev. Henry C. Meserve.
Sunderland,	Rev. Edward P. Butler, Alanson Hubbard.
Taunton, Winslow,	Rev. T. Clayton Welles.
Uxbridge,	Rev. Frank L. Bristol, Augustus Story.
Waltham,	Dea. Amos Andrews.
Ware, East,	Rev. Austin B. Bassett, Henry K. Hyde.
Wellesley,	Dea. Gideon D. Richardson.
" Hills,	Rev. Parris T. Farwell.
Wendell,	Rev. Edward P. Seymour, Mrs. E. L. Baker.
Westboro,	Rev. Merle A. Breed.
Westfield, 1st,	Dea. Myron E. Searle.
" 2d,	William A. Bliss, Rev Lyman H. Blake.
Westhampton,	Dea. William I. Edwards.
West Stockbridge Village,	Rev. Walter W. Curtis.
Weymouth, East,	Rev. Daniel Evans.
Whitman,	Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell.
Wilbraham, North,	Rev. C. H. Gates.
Williamsburg, Haydenville,	N. Fay Smith.
Winchester,	Rev. Joshua Coit.
Windsor,	Rev. George Sterling, Dea. Charles May.
Woburn,	Rev. Doremus Scudder, Rev. Jas. Luther Fowle.
Worcester, Union,	C. B. Greene, Rev. John E. Tuttle.
" Pilgrim,	Rev. Alex. Lewis.
" Park,	Ezra Sawyer, Rev. Inman L. Willcox.

DELEGATES FROM THE CONFERENCES.

Berkshire, North,	Dea. Francis E. Mole, Adams.
Franklin,	Dea. Henry L. Warfield, Buckland.
Hampden,	Rev. Samuel H. Lee, Springfield.
Mendon,	Dea. Edward W. Mann, Norfolk.
Middlesex, Union,	Rev. Louis B. Voorhees, Groton.
Norfolk,	Rev. Charles F. H. Crathern, Braintree.
Old Colony,	Rev. John Graham, Westport.
Suffolk, West,	Rev. Henry J. Patrick, Newton.
Woburn,	Rev. Walter A. Evans, Malden.
Worcester Central,	Rev. William B. Oleson, Worcester.
Worcester, North,	Rev. Rolla G. Bugbee, Athol.

DELEGATES FROM THE ASSOCIATIONS.

Berkshire, North,	Rev. Wm. L. Tenney, North Adams.
Brookfield,	Rev. Benson M. Frink, West Brookfield.
Essex, North,	Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Haverhill,
Franklin,	Rev. Lyman Whiting, East Charlemont.
Hampshire, East,	Rev. Eber W. Gaylord, North Amherst.
Middlesex, South,	Rev. Francis N. Peloubet, Auburndale.
" Union,	Rev. Bartlett H. Weston, Dunstable.

Norfolk,	Rev. Edwin N. Hardy, Quincy.
Suffolk, South,	Rev. Morton Dexter, Boston.
" West,	Rev. Ezra H. Byington, Newton.
Worcester, North,	Rev. Francis B. Knowlton, Athol.

DELEGATES FROM HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Dea. Thomas Todd, Concord.
Rev. Charles S. Brooks, Hyde Park.

MEMBERS, EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Henry A. Hazen, secretary.
Rev. Eugene C. Webster, assistant secretary.
Rev. Francis J. Marsh, registrar.
Rev. James W. Flagg, assistant registrar.
Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, pastor Greenfield second church.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Rev. William J. Batt, Concord Junction.
Rev. Arthur J. Benedict, Housatonic.
S. E. Bridgeman, Northampton.
Rev. Edward C. Camp, Worthington.
Rev. Edward M. Chapman, Worcester.
Rev. Arcturus Z. Conrad, Worcester.
Rev. George L. Dickinson, Whately.
Rev. George P. Eastman, Millbury.
Rev. George H. Gutterson, Boston.
Pres. G. Stanley Hall, Worcester.
Rev. Rufus K. Harlow, Medway.
John Herbert, Somerville
Rev. Henry N. Hoyt, Hyde Park.
Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, Dorchester.
George E. McNeill, Somerville.
Dwight L. Moody, Northfield.
Rev. Charles L. Noyes, Somerville.
Rev. George W. Osgood, Lynn.
Rev. Arthur B. Patten, So. Hadley.
Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, West Springfield.
Rev. Thomas Sims, Melrose.
Rev. Richard L. Swain, So. Hadley Falls.
Rev. Charles H. Talmage, Cambridge.
Rev. Sumner G. Wood, Easthampton.

The report of the secretary, Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale, was presented and accepted.[1]

The report of the treasurer, William A. Paine, of Roxbury, was presented, with auditor's certificate, and accepted.[2]

The following recommendation of the auditors was adopted: —

We recommend as the assessment for the year 1898 the sum of three and one half cents for each church member.

Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale, presented the following resolution: —

Resolved, That this General Association recognizes and rejoices in the privilege of welcoming to our State and principal city the coming session of the International Council in September, 1899, and responds to the request of the local committee of arrangements by appropriating the sum

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of $2000 towards the expenses of its proper entertainment. And we hereby authorize and direct our treasurer to pay to the order of Samuel B. Capen, chairman of that committee, this sum, or such portion of it as may be needful.

Referred to the business committee.

An invitation was extended by Rev. A. B. Hudson, of Brockton, for the Association to hold in that city its ninety-seventh annual meeting.

Referred to the business committee.

An address of welcome was given by Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, pastor of the church entertaining the Association. Response was made by the moderator.

The report of the committee on gambling was presented by Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, of Easthampton, and was accepted.[1]

The committee on temperance reported through Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, of Dorchester. This report was accepted and its resolutions adopted.[2]

The following committees were appointed: —

On nominations. — Hon. William H. Haile, of Springfield; Rev. Alexander Lewis, of Worcester; Henry D. Noyes, of Hyde Park; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, of Whitman; Rev. Lyman H. Blake, of Westfield.

On credentials. — Rev. Frank L. Bristol, of Uxbridge; Rev. William E. Wolcott, of Lawrence; Rev. E. C. Webster, of Dorchester; N. H. Chadwick, of Newtonville; Rev. John Graham, of Westport.

The report of the committee on the consolidation of the missionary publications was presented by Rev. Edward C. Ewing, of Danvers. The report was accepted and adopted.[3]

The report of the committee on the proposed amendment to Rule XV. of the Rules of the Association was presented by Rev. Warren P. Landers, of Salem. The report was accepted and referred to the business committee.

The amendment to Rule V., proposed one year ago by Rev. A. J. Dyer, of Sharon, was taken up, and it was

Voted, That action thereon be indefinitely postponed.

On behalf of the First church of North Brookfield, the pastor, Rev. J. L. Sewall, asked that the Association appoint a delegate to represent it at the Centennial celebration of the ordination of Rev. Thomas Snell, on June 27th next. Referred to the committee on nominations.

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On motion of Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, it was

Voted, That the secretary issue a proper form for credentials to be sent out to the clerks of the churches and the scribes of the associations and conferences.

The nominating committee recommended the following for the business committee: Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, of Greenfield; F. A. Rugg, of Greenfield; Rev. Charles H. Beale, of Roxbury; William Shaw, of Ballardvale; Thomas Todd, of Concord, and they were elected.

At five o'clock the Association took a recess, to meet for the evening session at 7.30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

At 7.30 o'clock the Association reassembled with the moderator in the chair. Devotional services were led by Rev. Stephen G. Barnes, of Longmeadow. The sermon was preached by Rev. A. Z. Conrad, of Worcester, from the text John ix. 4.

A statement in regard to the needs of the Board of Ministerial Aid was given by Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, and the offering made, which amounted to $72.53. The administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper followed, Rev. Lyman Whiting, of East Charlemont, and Rev. Henry N. Hoyt, of Hyde Park, officiating.

After singing and the benediction, the Association took a recess, to meet at 8.30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY.

Morning Session.

At 8.30 A. M. a devotional service was led by Rev. Walter H. Ashley, of Shelburne Falls. At nine o'clock, with the moderator in the chair, the Association was opened with prayer by Rev. William H. Davis, of Newton.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. It was

Voted, That this Association authorize the business committee to send to the President of the United States, on behalf of the Association, an expression of its confidence and sympathy in this time of trial and difficulty.

The business committee reported, and it was

Voted, That the recommendation to grant the sum of $1000 to the Board of Pastoral Supply, and $1000 to aid in meeting the expenses of entertaining the International Council in Boston in 1899, be accepted and adopted. After some discussion it was

Voted, To reconsider the vote just taken.

The report of the Board of Pastoral Supply was then presented by Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, and was accepted.[1] It was then

Voted, To pay to the Board of Pastoral Supply $2,800, or a sum equal to the indebtedness of the Association to that Board.

It was also

Voted, That the extra assessment which this will require be embodied in the general assessment for the expenses of the Association.

It was

Voted, To adopt the several recommendations made in the report of the Board of Pastoral Supply.

The business committee recommended that the place of the next annual meeting of the Association be held with the First church, Brockton.

Adopted.

The nominating committee reported the following nominations: —

Provisional committee. — Rev. A. B. Hudson, Brockton; Rev. A. W. Archibald, Brockton; George Keith, Brockton; Dr. S. J. Grover, Brockton; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston.

Publishing committee. — Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Auburndale; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston; J. W. Field, Dorchester; Henry D. Noyes, Hyde Park; F. P. Shumway, Melrose.

Auditing committee. — Charles E. Swett, Winchester; J. H. Tewksbury, Brookline; Rev. C. M. Southgate, Auburndale.

Nominees for membership on the executive committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. — Thomas Todd, Concord; Rev. Elijah Horr, Brookline.

Committee on the work of the churches, members at large, until 1901. — Arthur E. Gray, Worcester; Rev. F. L. Goodspeed, Springfield; Rev. S. L. Loomis, Boston; Hon. Frederick Fosdick, Fitchburg; Rev. Charles F. Carter, Lexington; George A. Shaw, Middleboro; Rev. F. L. Bristol, Uxbridge.

All these nominations were approved.

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The committee on credentials reported that one hundred and fifty-eight delegates were present with credentials properly drawn; also six pastors present who state that they were not appointed as delegates by their respective churches: Rev. Henry N. Hoyt, Hyde Park; Rev. Edward C. Camp, Worthington; Rev. Richard L. Swain, South Hadley Falls; Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, West Springfield; Rev. Sumner G. Wood, Easthampton; Rev. R. K. Harlow, Medway. The committee recommended that these brethren be elected honorary members of the Association.

The report was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

It was

Voted, That all pastors or members of Congregational churches in the State present, not members of the Association, be invited to sit as honorary members of the Association.

The general theme "The Church Redeeming its Machinery" was then introduced by Rev. F. W. Merrick, West Roxbury, who spoke upon "Wastes in Over-organization."[1] This was followed by an address on "New Motive Forces," by Rev. C. L. Noyes, Somerville.[2] An open parliament followed, participated in by Rev. Inman L. Wilcox, Worcester; Rev. David C. Reid, Leicester; Rev. John L. Sewall, North Brookfield; Rev. Walter A. Evans, Malden; Rev. W. H. Allbright, Dorchester; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, Whitman; Rev. Alexander Lewis, Worcester; Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, Springfield; George F. Wright, South Walpole.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. H. Byington, Newton.

The general theme "The Church Redeeming its Membership" was introduced by Rev. E. M. Chapman, Worcester, speaking on the topic "The Adequacy of the Present Standards of Ministerial Qualifications,"[3] followed by Rev. Wm. L. Tenney, North Adams, on the topic "Making Specific the Latent Powers of the Average Member."[4]

Open parliament followed, participated in by Perry M. Sargent, Merrimac; Rev. Henry E. Barnes, North Andover; Rev. Charles L. Morgan, Jamaica Plain; Rev. W. H. Woodwell, Sandwich; Rev. Henry J. Patrick, Newtonville; Rev. E. H. Byington, Newton; Rev. Merle A. Breed, Westboro; Rev. Rufus S. Underwood, Longmeadow; Rev. Thomas S. Robie, West Hawley; Rev. Samuel H. Lee, Springfield; William Shaw, Ballardvale; Rev. George

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W. Osgood, Lynn; Rev. Walter A. Evans, Malden; Rev. T. Clayton Welles, Taunton; Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, Monson. It was

Voted, That action on the recommendation of the business committee regarding the appropriation of $1,000 to the Board of Pastoral Supply, and $1,000 toward the expenses of the entertainment of the International Council, to be held in Boston in 1899, be postponed until after a report of the Auditing Committee is given.

The business committee reported upon the proposed amendment to Rule XV. of the rules of the Association with the following recommendations: —

1st. That no committee other than those named in Rule XI. shall be continued without a definite yearly vote of the Association.

2d. That all reports of committees other than those named in Rule XI. shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the regular meeting, and furnished to the secretary on or before April 1st. They shall not be read at the meeting, but one hour of the session may be devoted to the discussion of these topics.

3d. That no member of any special committee shall serve for more than two consecutive years without an enabling vote of the Association.

These recommendations were adopted.

The Association then took a recess until 4.30 P. M., or to the hour of the close of the meeting of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

Afternoon Session.

The Association reassembled at 3.50 o'clock, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Morton Dexter, Boston. After singing, on recommendation of the business committee, Rev. A. E. Colton, of Hyde Park, spoke upon the work and needs of the American Bible Society. The following memorial from Woburn Conference was presented by the business committee: —

Resolved, That this Association commends to the churches of Massachusetts the cause of the American Bible Society, and suggests that they make an annual offering to its work.

Resolved, That this Association memorializes the National Council, — 1st That it commend the cause of the American Bible Society to the Congregational churches of the country, with the suggestion for an annual offering from each of them. 2d, That a column be inserted in the Year Book for tabulating the gifts of the churches to the Bible Society.

Resolved, That the delegates of this Association are hereby instructed to present this memorial to the National Council.

The resolutions were severally adopted.

The report of the committee on "Labor Organizations" was presented by James G. Buttrick, of Lowell.[1] This was followed by two addresses on the general theme, "One Day of Rest in Seven": 1st, "The Voice of the Labor Organizations," by George E. McNeill, of Somerville. 2d, "The Voice of the Church," by Rev. W. H. Allbright, of Dorchester.

It was

Voted, To give Mr. Buttrick, of Lowell, three minutes to finish the report on "Labor Organizations." The report was then accepted and adopted.

The report of the committee on "The Wider Circulation of Religious Literature" was presented by Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, of Springfield, and adopted.[2]

Rev. W. P. Landers, of Salem, presented the following resolution, to be acted upon at the business session on Thursday: —

Resolved, That Rule VI., Sect. 2, be amended so as to read: "A moderator and alternate shall be elected by ballot at each session of the Association, to serve at the annual meeting following, and until their successors are chosen."

The following telegram was received from the State Association in session at Norwich, N. Y., which was referred to the business committee: —

The General Association of New York sends greetings. See 1 Thess. i., 2 and 3. JAMES DEANE, *Secretary.*

The business committee presented the following telegram, and it was

Voted, That it be sent: —

HON. WILLIAM MCKINLEY,
President of the United States, Washington, D. C.

The General Association of Congregational Churches in Massachusetts, now assembled in Greenfield, would express its confidence in you and your administration, and would tender its heartiest God-speed in your effort, as leader of this nation, to end the inhumanity of Spanish misrule and establish equity in the earth. GOD SAVE AMERICA.

Signed by the Moderator.

The business committee also recommended that the several memorials respecting ministerial qualifications, which had been received by the Association, be referred to a special committee.

Adopted. It was

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Voted, To authorize the nominating committee to bring in nominations for committees for another year on Temperance, Labor Organizations, Gambling, Wider Circulation of Religious Literature.

The nominating committee reported the following: —

On temperance. — Rev. Charles L. Morgan, Jamaica Plain; Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, Boston; Rev. W. O. Conrad, Fitchburg; Rev. Payson W. Lyman. Fall River; Charles A. Hopkins, Brookline; Z. W. Kemp, Springfield; Augustus R. Smith, Lee.

On labor organizations. — Rev. W. H. Allbright, Dorchester; Rev. Daniel Evans, East Weymouth; Rev. E. L. House, Attleboro; James G. Buttrick, Lowell; W. L. Spalding, Worcester; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, Wellesley Hills; Rev. F. W. Merrick, West Roxbury.

On gambling. — Rev. C. M. Southgate, Auburndale; Rev. C. H. Hamlin, Easthampton; Arthur H. Wellman, Malden; S. Homer Woodbridge, Boston; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, Newton Centre; William Gallagher, South Braintree; Jonathan A. Lane, Boston; D. F. Hamilton, Greenfield.

On the wider circulation of religious literature. — Rev. F. B. Makepeace, Springfield; Rev. W. E. Barton, Boston; Rev. H. C. Meserve, Springfield; Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, Greenfield; Rev. A. B. Bassett, Ware.

These committees were elected.

The nominating committee also recommended that Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, be the delegate to represent the Association at the centennial of the ordination of Rev. Thomas Snell, of North Brookfield, on June 27 next. He was appointed.

The following were chosen the special committee on the several memorials respecting ministerial qualifications: —

Rev. F. B. Makepeace, Springfield; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, Salem; Rev. Inman L. Wilcox, Worcester.

The following were, by ballot, elected members of the Board of Pastoral Supply for three years: —

Rev. M. A. Breed, Westboro; Rev. W. L Tenney, North Adams; Rev. W. H. Davis, Newton; Charles W. Carter, Auburndale.

The committee on nominations also recommended the following delegates to the National Council: —

Primaries. — Rev. Elijah Horr, Brookline; Rev. G. R. W. Scott, Leominster; W. H. Strong, Newton Highlands; Rev. Morton Dexter, Boston; Rev. Wm. E. Wolcott, Lawrence; Rev. E. H. Byington, Newton; Rev. W. H. Davis, Newton; Samuel B. Capen, Boston; Arthur H. Wellman, Malden; Rev. W. E. Barton, Boston; A. L. Williston, Northampton; Rev. Doremus Scudder, Woburn.

Alternates. — Rev. Daniel Merriman, Worcester; Walter K. Bigelow, Salem; Rev. W. V. M. Davis, Pittsfield; James H. Newton, Holyoke;

Rev. M. C. Julien, New Bedford; Rev. Arthur Little, Dorchester; Frank P. Knowles, Worcester; Charles E. Brown, Springfield; Rev. R. P. Hibbard, Gloucester; Rev. John L. Sewall, North Brookfield; Rev. Smith Baker, East Boston; Jacob P. Bates, Brookline.

This recommendation was approved.

The auditing committee made a partial report, after which it was

Voted, That the request of the Congregational Club of Boston, that this Association aid in meeting the expenses of entertaining the International Council, to be held in Boston in 1899, be indefinitely postponed.

Voted, To reconsider the vote upon the recommendation of the auditors that the assessment upon the churches for the ensuing year be three and one half cents.

It was

Voted, To recommend as the assessment for the year 1898 the sum of six and one fourth cents for each church member.

The business committee reported the following reply to the telegram received from the New York Association: —

To the General Association of the Congregational Churches in New York: —

The General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts gratefully acknowledge and reciprocate your salutations. See Eph. vi.23.

The business committee also presented the following memorial from the Andover Association, which was referred to the provisional committee of the Association for next year, with the recommendation that it have a place upon the program: —

The Andover Association of Ministers to the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts: —

Dear Brethren: We venture to suggest to you action tending to further the circulation of the Revised Version of the Bible among the Congregational laity of our State. Careful inquiry leads us to believe that, while the Revision is widely used by our ministers, both in the study and in the pulpit, it has but a meagre circulation among the laity.

We believe that this is a matter to be regretted, in view of the generally admitted superiority of the version to the "King James" in point of accuracy. We are of the opinion that a more general use of the Revision in private reading and Sabbath-school teaching would result in a better understanding on the part of our people of the thought of the inspired writers, and that this would lead to a deeper experience of the power of divine truth.

Careful inquiry has led us to the opinion that prominent among the causes of the comparative meagreness of the circulation of the new ver-

sion is its cost as compared with the editions of the "King James," offered by the American Bible Society. It is a fact well known and highly gratifying to us all that the society is enabled by its endowments to offer Bibles for the bare expense of publication. As it has hitherto, for reasons which we do not presume to call in question, published the "King James" version exclusively, it has obviously subjected the Revision to a serious disadvantage with the public. We doubt whether the "King James" version would ever have become the people's Bible if it had been similarly hampered from the time of its publication onward.

You will recollect that, when the Revision was first published, the laws of this country did not allow its legal proprietors, the university presses of Oxford and Cambridge, to obtain copyright here, and that to guard their moral rights the American Committee of Revision pledged themselves to use their influence for fourteen years to prevent all but the authorized English editions from circulating in the United States. That period expires in July of the present year. From that time there will be no objection whatever to the publication of the Revised Version in this country.

We respectfully suggest that you ask the American Bible Society to consider the advisability of printing the Bible and portions of it in the Revised Version, making whatever changes may be needed in its Constitution to allow this course. We believe that many copies would be purchased by studious laymen as well as by ministers.

We beg to add that we are not asking the General Association to commit itself to the opinion that the Revision should replace the "King James" version in public worship. We are well aware that a wide difference of opinion exists upon this question both among the ministers and among laymen.

The action asked for only affirms the value of the Revision for private reading and study. It carries no criticism whatever upon the past action of the Bible Society. It only asks that the Society no longer discriminate against a version which is presumably the most accurate of any printed in the English language.

For the Andover Association,

(Signed) EDWARD W. PRIDE, *Scribe.*

LAWRENCE, MASS., Feb. 22, 1898.

Prayer was offered by William Shaw, of Ballardvale.

The Association then took a recess until half past seven o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 7.30 o'clock with the moderator in the chair. Prayers were offered by Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Milton. The general theme "The Church Redeeming Men" was introduced by D. L. Moody, of Northfield, speaking on "The Appeal to Spirit. Converting Power — How Secured." He was

followed by Rev. Harris G. Hale, of Brookline, who spoke upon "The Appeal to Need.[1] What the Church offers Men." Also by President G. Stanley Hall, of Worcester, speaking upon "The Appeal to Thought. The Religious Affirmations of Modern Science." Prayer was offered by Rev. H. J. Patrick, of Newtonville.

The Association then took a recess, to meet at eight o'clock on Thursday morning.

THURSDAY.

Morning Session.

The Association reassembled at eight o'clock. Devotional services were led by Rev. F. R. Shipman, of Andover. At 8.30 o'clock, the Association, with the moderator in the chair, was opened with prayer by Rev. C. F. P. Bancroft, of Andover. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved as corrected. The report of the committee on nominees for corporate members of the American Board was read and approved. The following were, by ballot, nominated: Rev. Edward G. Porter, Lexington; Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, Easthampton; Levi J. Gunn, Greenfield; Henry S. Lee, Springfield.

The following amendment to Rule V. of the Rules of the Association was proposed by Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield: —

Resolved, That Rule V. be so amended as to read: Each evangelical Congregational church in the State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer, shall compose the General Association. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports, shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit.

It was

Voted, To use the $2000 in the treasury of the Association to aid in paying the indebtedness to the Board of Pastoral Supply.

It was

Voted, That the nominating committee bring in names for a committee of five to nominate corporate members of the American Board next year.

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The nominating committee reported the following for this committee: —

Rev. A. Z. Conrad, Worcester; Rev. George R. Hewitt, Fitchburg; Rev. L. S. Rowland, Lee; Charles L. Odell, Beverly; Edward F. Morris, Monson.

This report was adopted.

The committee on the Work of the Churches presented the following recommendation which was accepted and adopted: —

The committee on the Work of the Churches, finding that several of the members named upon its roll fail habitually to attend its meetings, ask that the Association give to it the power to declare vacant the place of any member failing for one year to attend its meetings or to send an excuse, and to fill such vacancy at its discretion.

The committee elected to consider the memorials upon ministerial standing received by the General Association presented the following recommendation, which was adopted: —

The committee believes that the matter thus referred to them requires a fuller consideration than is possible during this meeting of the Association. They therefore ask permission to present their report at the next annual meeting, and also request that Rev. A. E. Dunning and Rev. A. Z. Conrad may be added to the committee.

Report accepted and recommendation adopted.

The report of the committee on Sunday Observance was given by Rev. E. H. Byington, of Newton, which, with its several recommendations, was accepted and adopted.[1]

The nominating committee recommended as the committee upon Sunday Observance: —

Rev. Reuen Thomas, Brookline, Chairman; Rev. A. H. Plumb, Boston; Rev. F. L. Goodspeed, Springfield; Rev. John E. Tuttle, Worcester; Rev. Raymond F. Calkins, Pittsfield; Rev. Charles E. Harrington, Waltham; Rev. Smith Baker, East Boston; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, Salem; Rev. W. H. Woodwell, Sandwich; Rev. M. Angelo Dougherty, Cambridge.

The recommendation was adopted.

The resolution introduced by Rev. W. P. Landers, of Salem, and assigned for this morning hour, was brought up, but after discussion was not adopted.

The report of the committee on the Work of the Churches was then given by Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton, and was accepted.[2]

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The general theme of the morning "The Church Redeeming the World" was then opened, and the following addresses upon special topics were given: —

"The Mission Motive," Rev. A. B. Bassett, Ware[1]; "The Ethics of Christian Giving," John Herbert, Somerville; "The World-Wide Mission of the Church," Rev. Sherman W. Brown, Spencer.[2]

After singing, an open parliament followed, participated in by Rev. John Graham, Westport; Rev. E. C. Ewing, Danvers; Rev. A. J. Dyer, Sharon; Rev. E. N. Hardy, Quincy; Rev. Geo. A. Hood, Newton; Rev. Joshua Colt, Winchester; Rev. B. M. Frink, West Brookfield; Rev. H. A. Hazen, Auburndale; William Shaw, Ballardvale; George F. Wright, So. Walpole; Rev. Elihu Loomis, Bedford; Rev. Elijah Horr, Brookline; Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, Greenfield.

The committee on credentials presented the following report: —

Whole number of delegates present	211
Clergymen	127
Lay delegates	84
Conferences represented by ministers	8
Conferences represented by lay delegates	3
Total conferences represented	11
Associations represented	11
Honorary members	24
Churches represented by delegates	144
Total enrolment	235

The following resolutions were presented by Rev. Morton Dexter, of Boston, and were adopted by a rising vote: —

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Association be, and hereby are, offered to the Second church in Greenfield, which has received it as a guest; to the Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, pastor of the church; to the chorister and choir, and to all others connected with the church or congregation who have rendered special services, so efficient and so diversified; to the many friends, the doors of whose homes have been opened so widely in gracious and grateful welcome; and to all other citizens of this town, from whom the members of this body have received courtesies.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this body be, and hereby are offered to its moderator, registrars and other officers, and especially to the Provisional Committee, the result of whose labors, under the lead of Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, has been a conceded and marked improvement in the quality of the programme for our sessions, and to the officials of the railroads centering here, from whom important reductions of usual

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terms have been received ; to the press of Greenfield, for its full and careful reports.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the records of this Association, and a copy be furnished to the Second church in Greenfield.

Response to these resolutions was made by Rev. C. H. Watson, pastor of the First church, Greenfield. Closing words were spoken by the moderator. A hymn was sung, and after prayer and the benediction the Association adjourned.

GEORGE R. W. SCOTT, *Moderator.*
FRANCIS J. MARSH, *Registrar.*
JAMES W. FLAGG, *Assistant Registrar.*

Brookfield, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings: annual, first Tuesday in May, 2 days; semi-annual, third Tuesday in September, 1 day.

6. ESSEX NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized April 30, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Amesbury: 1st; Union. Boxford, West. In Bradford: 1st; Ward Hill. Georgetown: 1st; Memorial. Groveland. In Haverhill: West; 4th; Centre; North; Riverside; Union; St. Johns, *French.* In Ipswich: 1st; Linebrook. Merrimac. In Newbury: 1st; Byfield. In Newburyport: North; Prospect Street; Belleville; Whitefield. Rowley. In West Newbury: 1st; 2d. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. David C. Torrey, Byfield, *scribe.* Rev. John N. Lowell, Haverhill, *statistical secretary and treasurer.* Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

7. ESSEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Beverly: North; Dane Street; Washington Street. Boxford. In Danvers: 1st; Maple Street. Essex. In Gloucester: West; Trinity; Lanesville; Magnolia. Hamilton. Ipswich South. In Lynn: 1st; Central; Chestnut Street; North; *Swedish.* In Lynnfield: Centre; 2d. Manchester. Marblehead. Middleton. In Peabody: South; Rockville; West. In Rockport: 1st; Pigeon Cove; *Swedish.* In Salem: Tabernacle; South; Crombie Street. Saugus: 1st, and Cliftondale. Swampscott. Topsfield. Wenham. Total: 37 churches.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Rev. E. C. Ewing, Danvers, *statistical scribe.* Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

8. FRANKLIN CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 10, 1843.

CHURCHES. — Ashfield. Bernardston. Buckland. In Charlemont: 1st; East. Colerain. Conway. In Deerfield: South; Orthodox. Erving. Gill. In Greenfield: 1st; 2d. In Hawley: East; West; Leverett, Moores Corner. In Montague: 1st; Miller's Falls; Turner's Falls. Northfield. Orange: Central; *Swedish.* In Shelburne: 1st; Falls. Shutesbury. Sunderland. Warwick. Wendell Centre. Whately. Total: 29 churches.

Rev. Edward P. Butler, Sunderland, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets second Wednesday and Thursday in September.

9. HAMPDEN CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 4, 1850.

CHURCHES. — In Agawam: Feeding Hills; 2d. Blandford: 1st; 2d. In Chester: 1st; 2d. In Chicopee: 1st; 2d; 3d. In Granville: East; West. Hampden. In Holyoke: 1st; 2d; *French.* Huntington, 2d. In Longmeadow: 1st; East. In Ludlow: 1st; Mills. Monson. In Palmer: 1st; 2d; Three Rivers. South Hadley Falls. Southwick. In Springfield: 1st; Olivet; South; North; Indian Orchard; Sandford st.; Hope; *French;* Eastern Avenue; Emmanuel; Park; *Swedish.* Faith. Tolland. In Westfield: 1st; 2d. In West Springfield: 1st; Mittineague; Park st. In Wilbraham: Centre; North. Total, 47 churches.

Rev. Henry C. Meserve, Springfield, *scribe.* Frank P. Searle, Westfield, *treasurer.* Conference meets last Tuesday in October; semi-annual meeting in April.

10. HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE. — Organized February, 1865.

CHURCHES. — Chesterfield. In Cummington: East; West. In Easthampton: 1st; Payson. Goshen. Hatfield. Huntington 1st. In Northampton: 1st;

Edwards; Florence. Plainfield. Southampton. Westhampton. In Williamsburg: 1st; Haydenville. Worthington. Total: 17 churches.

W. M. Purrington, Haydenville, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. A. C. Townsend, Westhampton, *statistical secretary.* Rev. R. M. Woods, Hatfield, *chairman of committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets in the spring and fall at the call of the Executive Committee.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 13, 1860.

CHURCHES. — In Amherst: 1st; 2d; College; North; South. Belchertown. Enfield. Granby. Greenwich. In Hadley: 1st; 2d. Leverett: In Pelham: 1st; Packardville. Prescott. South Hadley 1st. Total: 16 churches.

Dea. M. B. Kingman, Amherst, *registrar and treasurer.* Rev. George E. Fisher, North Amherst, *committee on the work of the churches.* Semi-annual meeting, last Tuesday in April; annual, third Tuesday in October.

12. MENDON CONFERENCE. — Organized April 12, 1858.

CHURCHES. — Foxboro. Franklin: Mansfield. Medfield. In Medway: Village; West; 3d. Milford. Millis. Norfolk. Walpole. Wrentham. Total: 12 churches.

Rev. C. W. Longren, Franklin, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Rufus K. Harlow Medway, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets third Wednesday of April and October.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Aug 20, 1828.

CHURCHES. — Ashland. Dover. In Framingham: Plymouth; Saxonville; South. Holliston. Hopkinton. Hudson. Lincoln. In Marlboro: 1st; *French.* Maynard. In Natick: 1st; South. Northboro. Sherborn. In Southboro: Pilgrim; Southville. Sudbury. Wayland. Wellesley. Total: 21 churches.

Rev. Edward H. Chandler, Wellesley, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings, third Tuesdays of April and October.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1853.

CHURCHES. — Acton: 1st; South. Ashby. Ayer. Boxboro. Concord. Dunstable. In Fitchburg: Calvinist; Rollstone; *German; Swedish.* Groton: 1st; West. Harvard. Lancaster. In Leominster: Centre; North. Littleton. Lunenburg. Pepperell. Shirley Village. Townsend. Westford. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Joel D. Miller, Leominster, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. George A. Tewksbury, Concord, *committee on the work of the churches.* Annual meeting, third Wednesday in October. Spring meeting in April.

15. NORFOLK CONFERENCE. — Organized June 14, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Abington: 1st; North. In Braintree: 1st; South. In Bridgewater: Central Square; Scotland. In Brockton: 1st; Campello; Porter Evan.; *Swedish*; Waldo; Wendell av.; Lincoln. In Cohasset: Evangelical; Beechwood. East Bridgewater. In Easton: 1st; *Swedish.* In Hingham: 1st; Nantasket. Holbrook. In Milton: 1st; 2d. In Quincy: Evangelical; Washington st., *Swedish.* Packard Downs. Randolph. Rockland. Sharon. Stoughton. In Weymouth: 1st; 2d, South; Landing; Union, South; North; East. Whitman. Total: 38 churches.

Rev. Warren F. Low, Holbrook, *scribe.* Mrs. Mary S. Vining, Hingham *treasurer.* Rev. R. R. Kendall, Weymouth Heights, *statistical secretary and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings first Tuesday in May and last Tuesday in September.

16. OLD COLONY CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept. 23, 1856.

CHURCHES. — Dartmouth South. Edgartown. Fairhaven. Lakeville. Marion Mattapoisett. In Middleboro: 1st; Central. In New Bedford: 1st; North; Trinitarian. In Rochester: 1st; North; East. Wareham. Westport. West Tisbury. Total: 17 churches.

Rev. William Carruthers, 89 Suffolk st., Holyoke, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets for a two-days' session the third Tuesday in April and the last Tuesday in October.

17. PILGRIM CONFERENCE. — Organized April 27, 1830.

CHURCHES. — Carver North. Duxbury. Halifax. In Hanover: 1st: 2d. Hanson. Kingston. In Marshfield: 1st; 2d. In Plymouth: Manomet; Pilgrimage; Chiltonville. Plympton. Scituate. Total: 14 churches.

Rev. Zenas Crowell, Kingston, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Oscar F. Davis, Chiltonville, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets in April and October, for two-days' session each.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — Arlington. In Boston: 1st and Winthrop, Charlestown; Maverick, East Boston; Mt. Vernon and Seamen's; E. Boston, Baker. In Cambridge: 1st; 1st Cambridgeport; North Avenue; Pilgrim, Wood Memorial, and Hope, Cambridgeport. In Chelsea: 1st; Central; 3d. In Everett: 1st; Courtland st.; Mystic Side. In Revere: 1st; Beachmont. In Somerville: 1st; Broadway; West; Prospect Hill; Winter Hill; Highlands. Winthrop. Total: 28 churches.

Frank E. Hodgkins, 162 Congress Street, Boston, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Albert Watson, 214 Hancock Street, Everett, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the second Wednesdays of April and October.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — In Boston: Dorchester, 2d; Union; Phillips, South Boston; Dorchester Village; Eliot, Roxbury; West Roxbury; Central and Boylston, Jamaica Plain; Immanuel, Roxbury; Trinity, Neponset; Pilgrim, Dorchester; Highland and Walnut Avenue, Roxbury; Olivet; Harvard and Central, Dorchester; Roslindale; St. Marks. Canton. In Dedham: In Hyde Park: 1st; Clarendon. Norwood. In Quincy: Atlantic; Wollaston Heights. East Walpole. Westwood, Islington. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Neponset, *scribe.* E. S. Hathaway, Hyde Park, *treasurer.* Rev. Wm. H. Bolster, Dorchester, *statistical secretary and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

20. SUFFOLK WEST CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 17, 1873.

CHURCHES. — In Belmont: Waverly. In Boston: Old South; Park st.; Berkeley Temple; Brighton; Central; Shawmut; Allston; *Norwegian* and *Swedish*. Brookline: Harvard; Leyden. Needham. In Newton: 1st, Newton Centre; 2d, West Newton; Eliot; Auburndale; Nonantum; Central, Newtonville; Highlands. Waltham: 1st; *Swedish*. Watertown. Wellesley Hills. Weston. Total: 25 churches.

Rev. John M. Dutton, Newtonville, *recording secretary.* Benjamin F. Dewing, 35 Hawley Street, Boston, *treasurer.* Rev. Charles E. Havens, Newton Highlands, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings, second Wednesdays of April and October.

21. TAUNTON CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 2, 1849.

CHURCHES. — Attleboro. Berkley. Dighton. In Fall River: 1st; Central; 3d; *French;* Broadway. Assonet in Freetown. Lakeville. Middleboro North. North Attleboro: 1st; Falls; Trinity. Norton. In Raynham: 1st; North. Rehoboth. Somerset. In Taunton: West; Trinitarian; Winslow; East; Union. Total: 24 churches.

Rev. Elwin L. House, Attleboro, *scribe, and committee on the work of the churches.* Thomas Chew, Box 460, Fall River, *treasurer.* Conference holds two sessions annually of one day each, in the spring and fall.

22. WOBURN CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept. 5, 1848.

CHURCHES. — Bedford. Billerica. Burlington. Carlisle. Hancock, Lexington. In Malden: 1st; Maplewood; Linden. In Medford: Mystic; West and South. In Melrose: 1st; Highlands. North Reading. Reading. Stoneham. Wakefield. Wilmington. Winchester. In Woburn: 1st; North; *Scandinavian;* Montvale. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Isaac Pierson, Medford, *scribe and treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the last Tuesdays of April and October.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL CONFERENCE. — Organized April 28, 1852.

CHURCHES. — Auburn. Berlin. Boylston. Clinton: 1st; *German;* Holden. Leicester. Oxford. Paxton. Princeton. Rutland. Shrewsbury. Sterling. West Boylston. In Worcester: Old South; Central; Union; Summer st.; Plymouth; Piedmont; *Swedish;* Pilgrim; Park; Covenant; Hope; Lake View; Belmont; Bethany; *Armenian;* Immanuel; *Swedish, 2d.* Total: 30 churches.

Rev. Geo. S. Dodge, Worcester, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Thomas E. Babb, Holden, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets on the Tuesday following the second Monday in May, and on the Tuesday following third Monday in October.

24. WORCESTER NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 24, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Ashburnham: 1st; North. Athol. Baldwinville. Gardner. Hubbardston. New Salem. In Orange: North. Petersham. Phillipston. In Royalton: 1st; South. Templeton. Westminster. In Winchendon: 1st; North. Total: 16 churches.

Rev. Davis Foster, Winchendon, *scribe.* Meetings in October and June.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized June 17, 1828.

CHURCHES. — Blackstone. In Douglas: 1st; East. In Grafton: 1st; Saundersville. In Millbury: 1st; 2d. In Northbridge: 1st; Whitinsville; Rockdale. Sutton. Upton. Uxbridge. Webster. Westboro'. Total: 16 churches.

Rev. John R. Thurston, Whitinsville, *scribe and chairman of the committee on the work of the churches.* Dea. Amos Armsby, Millbury, *treasurer.* Meetings on fourth Wednesdays of April and October.

16. OLD COLONY CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept. 23, 1856.

CHURCHES. — Dartmouth South. Edgartown. Fairhaven. Lakeville. Marion Mattapoisett. In Middleboro: 1st; Central. In New Bedford: 1st; North; Trinitarian. In Rochester: 1st; North; East. Wareham. Westport. West Tisbury. Total: 17 churches.

Rev. William Carruthers, 89 Suffolk st., Holyoke, *scribe, treasurer, and committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets for a two-days' session the third Tuesday in April and the last Tuesday in October.

17. PILGRIM CONFERENCE. — Organized April 27, 1830.

CHURCHES. — Carver North. Duxbury. Halifax. In Hanover: 1st: 2d. Hanson. Kingston. In Marshfield: 1st; 2d. In Plymouth: Manomet; Pilgrimage; Chiltonville. Plympton. Scituate. Total: 14 churches.

Rev. Zenas Crowell, Kingston, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Oscar F. Davis, Chiltonville, *committee on the work of the churches.* Conference meets in April and October, for two-days' session each.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — Arlington. In Boston: 1st and Winthrop, Charlestown; Maverick, East Boston; Mt. Vernon and Seamen's; E. Boston, Baker. In Cambridge: 1st; 1st Cambridgeport; North Avenue; Pilgrim, Wood Memorial, and Hope, Cambridgeport. In Chelsea: 1st; Central; 3d. In Everett: 1st; Courtland st.; Mystic Side. In Revere: 1st; Beachmont. In Somerville: 1st; Broadway; West; Prospect Hill; Winter Hill; Highlands. Winthrop. Total: 28 churches.

Frank E. Hodgkins, 162 Congress Street, Boston, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Albert Watson, 214 Hancock Street, Everett, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the second Wednesdays of April and October.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — In Boston: Dorchester, 2d; Union; Phillips, South Boston; Dorchester Village; Eliot, Roxbury; West Roxbury; Central and Boylston, Jamaica Plain; Immanuel, Roxbury; Trinity, Neponset; Pilgrim, Dorchester; Highland and Walnut Avenue, Roxbury; Olivet; Harvard and Central, Dorchester; Roslindale; St. Marks. Canton. In Dedham: In Hyde Park: 1st; Clarendon. Norwood. In Quincy: Atlantic; Wollaston Heights. East Walpole. Westwood, Islington. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Neponset, *scribe.* E. S. Hathaway, Hyde Park, *treasurer.* Rev. Wm. H. Bolster, Dorchester, *statistical secretary and committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

20. SUFFOLK WEST CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 17, 1873.

CHURCHES. — In Belmont: Waverly. In Boston: Old South; Park st.; Berkeley Temple; Brighton; Central; Shawmut; Allston; *Norwegian* and *Swedish.* Brookline: Harvard; Leyden. Needham. In Newton: 1st, Newton Centre; 2d, West Newton; Eliot; Auburndale; Nonantum; Central, Newtonville; Highlands. Waltham: 1st; *Swedish.* Watertown. Wellesley Hills. Weston. Total: 25 churches.

Rev. John M. Dutton, Newtonville, *recording secretary.* Benjamin F. Dewing, 35 Hawley Street, Boston, *treasurer.* Rev. Charles E. Havens, Newton Highlands, *committee on the work of the churches.* Meetings, second Wednesdays of April and October.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Abington,	W. S. O'Brien,	244	118	155	41	$68	$5	$7	$58	$43	$15	$10	$40	$246	$ 0	$1,746
" North,	W. C. Brett,	110	60	90	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,550
Acton,	Horace F. Tuttle,	80	61	100	40	29	7	7	44	18	15	6	15	141	0	1,050
" South,	William F. Hale,	90	57	65	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,150
Adams,	William B. Plunkett,	556	425	300	135	264	22	25	175	0	14	0	0	500	0	6,500
Agawam,	Edward A. Kellogg,	72	40	55	30	42	10	12	15	14	14	0	40	147	0	950
"	Dea. W. H. Porter,	107	55	100	80	87	51	0	19	18	35	0	30	240	0	1,287
Amesbury,	Thomas Clark,	290	199	325	65	425	3	10	139	87	4	0	120	788	0	3,659
"	Mrs. Philip Bartlett,	139	82	133	46	83	8	4	20	60	2	4	67	248	0	1,371
Amherst, 1st,	Charles L. Nims,	210	147	250	109	710	25	43	724	71	63	30	0	1,666	0	3,750
" 2d,	Charles H. Hooker,	142	69	100	71	31	0	0	75	0	0	0	0	106	0	1,000
" College,		0	0	0	0	294	16	0	290	110	0	0	51	761	0	199
" North,	Howard A. Parsons,	200	124	120	88	244	34	7	143	48	15	3	6	500	0	1,525
" South,	George O. Hannum,	95	78	90	59	108	21	8	154	49	3	0	12	355	0	1,151
Andover, South,	Charles H. Gilbert,	354	204	264	119	502	120	96	620	380	57	0	537	2,402	0	3,800
" West,	Arthur T. Boutwell,	150	100	70	50	60	0	0	38	58	23	0	9	188	0	1,650
" Free,	J. Newton Cole,	268	197	200	76	84	38	39	203	106	39	0	153	662	0	3,142
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw,	138	94	65	100	119	16	27	119	136	18	0	122	557	0	1,102
" Seminary,	Matthew S. McCurdy,	60	45	64	0	705	174	85	561	326	0	0	17	1,868	3,000	568
Arlington,	E. L. Churchill,	309	175	275	96	193	55	55	126	88	55	27	288	887	0	4,600
Ashburnh'm, 1st,	F. D. Lane,	90	64	125	48	0	0	16	35	12	25	0	0	88	0	1,425
" North.		30	16	8	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ashby,	Fred E. Brooks,	123	86	80	56	15	16	7	17	15	50	0	38	158	0	1,340
Ashfield,	Dea. F. H. Smith, **Buckland**,	125	75	125	45	105	9	10	81	36	17	10	82	350	0	1,400
Ashland,	Rev. C. L. Tomblen,	104	66	100	36	89	0	12	26	12	15	0	15	169	0	1,260
Athol,	Dea. O. M. Lawton, **A Centre**	325	185	240	142	179	50	0	307	14	25	0	43	618	0	2,442
Attleboro',	Martin L. Chapman,	517	319	400	100	645	76	82	484	96	96	1	818	2,298	800	4,800
Auburn,	Mrs. Julia F. Bancroft,	130	79	86	48	68	0	0	59	42	9	0	20	198	0	13,185
Ayer,	Miss Rosa Smith,	117	48	64	46	41	0	0	29	40	9	0	10	129	0	1,200
Barnstable, W.,	Dea. P. H. Robinson,	85	35	70	26	5	0	5	10	5	0	0	117	142	0	450
" Centreville,	Mrs. Drusilla Whitford,	75	62	40	32	38	0	0	84	9	3	0	8	142	0	555
" Hyannis,	E. Field,	60	40	85	53	7	2	3	2	0	2	0	6	22	0	525
Barre,	James B. Colby,	120	63	114	44	293	29	0	274	98	54	0	102	850	0	1,600
Becket, Centre,	Francis Alderman,	35	31	25		0	0	0	0	0	2	0	30	32	0	378
" North,	Henry A. Jennings,	90	65	42	20	5	0	0	10	19	0	0	5	39	0	700
Bedford,	Wallace G. Webber,	230	130	164	51	253	0	5	117	21	27	0	145	568	0	1,800
Belchertown,	F. L. Stebbins,	246	109	80	63	80	0	9	35	29	0	0	47	200	0	1,326
Belmont,	H. E. Carpenter,	105	71	70	70	12	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	24	0	1,900

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Berkley,	1737	Dea. Rollin H. Babbitt,	Franklin K. Beem, *p.t.c.*	'95	'94	26	56	82	18	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Berlin,	1779	William S. Eager,	Henry F. Markham, *p.*	'80	'94	29	56	85	24	2	0	2	4	2	1	7	2	3
Barnardston,	1824	Dea. Henry Slate,	David H. Strong, *p.*	'85	'88	26	42	68	8	1	1	2	2	3	0	5	0	0
Beverly, North,	1715	Charles S. Brown,	[Raymond Semans, *Meth.*]	'96	'96	21	44	65	8	3	2	5	0	2	0	2	3	0
" Dane st.,	1809	Louis H. Bakeman,	Francis J. Van Horn, *p. c.*	'93	'95	135	310	445	28	29	12	41	12	7	1	20	14	6
" Washington st.,	1832	William A. Lefavour,	William A. Bacon *p. c.*	'95	'95	68	172	240	44	11	5	16	8	6	0	14	6	0
Billerica,	1827	Rev. Daniel W. Hardy,	Daniel W. Hardy, *p.*	'74	'93	32	53	85	0	7	1	8	3	3	0	6	1	1
Blackstone,	1849	Calvin H. Lee,				14	25	39	9	0	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blandford, 1st,	1731	Charles B. Hayden,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p. c.*	'96	'96	25	61	86	20	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	5	2
" **North,**	1895	Mrs. Julia C. Loveland,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p.*	'96	'96	11	32	43	4	9	1	10	0	0	0	0	9	0
Boston, Charlestown,	1633	Gardner Bates,	Charles H. Pope, *p.*	'65	'96	40	135	175	90	1	1	2	1	3	0	4	0	3
" Old South,	1662	J. Converse Gray,	George A. Gordon, *p. c.*	'77	'84	223	456	679	56	28	43	71	15	6		21	12	8
" 2d, **Dorchester,**	1809	William D. Brigham,	Arthur Little, *p. c.*	'63	'89	238	447	685	70	24	32	56	11	9	1	21	5	9
" Park st.,	1808	William E. Swift,				335	540	875	380	1	3	4	13	22	0	35	0	2
" Union,	1829	Charles W. Jones,	Samuel L. Loomis, *p. c.*	'80	'96	161	353	514	138	12	23	35	4	28	0	32	6	11
" Phillips, **South,**	1822	W. B. Bancroft,	Charles A. Dinsmore, *p. c.*	'85	'96	193	520	713	100	35	8	43	6	9	0	15	10	9
" Berkeley Temple,	1823	George R. King,	Charles A. Dickinson, *p.c.a*	'79	'88	423	781	1204	400	52	32	84	5	36	0	41	20	10
" **Brighton,**	1827	Elbra L. Barker,	Adolph A. Berle, *p. c.*	'87	'91	76	152	228	0	6	10	16	3	6	0	9	0	4
" Village, **Dorchester,**	'27	Frederick M. Swan,	George W. Brooks, *p.*	'77	'90	63	149	212	31	0	4	4	1	1	0	2	0	5
" Winth'p, **Charlest'n,**	'33	Norman Q. Stewart,	William B. Forbush, *p. c.*	'92	'98	93	309	402	90	3	2	5	9	9	4	22	1	1
" Eliot, **Roxbury,**	1834	James S. Barrows,	August's C. Thompson *p.c.*	'42	'42	120	258	378	84	6	3	9	5	6	0	11	1	3
" Central,	1835	Arthur G. Stanwood,	Edward L. Clark, *p. c.*	'61	'93	71	169	240	0	0	10	10	8	6	0	14	0	1
" **W. Roxbury,**	1835	Rev. F. W. Merrick,	Frank W. Merrick, *p. c.*	'91	'93	55	124	179	24	3	19	22	3	5	0	8	2	10
" Maverick, **East,**	1836	Dea. J. Willard Brown,	Smith Baker, *p. c.*	'60	'93	103	275	378	181	18	5	23	6	63	0	69	6	49
" Mt. Vernon,	1842	Sanford Keith,	Samuel E. Herrick, *p. c.*	'63	'71	129	240	369		4	11	15	8	10	14	32	3	6
" Shawmut,	1845	Charles P. Loring,	{ Edwin B. Webb, *p.c., em.* { William E. Barton, *p. c.*	'50 '85	'60 '93	132	291	423	0	11	29	40	12	26	0	38	8	2
" **Jamaica Plain,**	1853	James H. Dodge,	Charles L. Morgan, *p. c.*	'76	'94	191	417	608	104	40	16	56	3	17	0	20	17	21
" Immanuel, **Roxb'y,**	1857	T. Franklin Currier,	Charles H. Beale, *p. c.*	'80	'94	102	270	372	80	9	3	12	3	8	36	47	0	8
" **Neponset,**	1859	Herbert Tucker,	Eugene C. Webster, *p. c.*	'90	'93	38	78	116	32	2	1	3	7	1	0	8	2	11
" Pilgrim, **Dorche'r,**	1867	Charles H. Crockett,	William H. Allbright, *p.c.*	'79	'90	126	317	443	23	13	15	28	4	20	3	27	7	12
" Highland, **Roxb'y,**	1869	George W. Basford,	William R. Campbell, *p.c.*	'81	'81	142	322	464	120	22	9	31	4	10	0	14	5	38
" Walnut av., **Roxb'y,**	'70	C. H. W. Wood,	Albert H. Plumb, *p. c.*	'58	'72	136	282	418	32	38	33	71	8	11	0	19	14	4
" **Olivet,**	1876	Miss Susan C. Smith,				23	52	75	0	3	3	6	0	2	0	2	0	2
" **Boylston, Ja. Plain,**	1879	Sylvester R. Crocker,	Ellis Mendell, *p. c.*	'79	'88	78	181	259	70	5	5	10	0	11	0	11	3	11
" ***Swed.,***	1881	J. A. Gustafson,	Augustus Lilienberg, *p.*		'98	64	132	196	0	31	0	31	1	33	0	34	0	0
" ***Norwegian,***	1885	Ole M. Dahl,	Morten Olsen, *p.*	'95	'94	17	38	55	5	3	0	3	0	1	1	2	0	16
" **Allston,**	1886	J. H. Ball,	John O. Haarvig, *p. c.*	'83	'95	116	217	333	57	18	7	25	6	8	0	14	11	7
" **Harvard, Dorch'r,**	1888	Henry N. Marr,	William H. Bolster, *p. c.*	'72	'92	40	104	144	15	2	12	14	0	4	0	4	2	1
" **Central, Dorch'r,**	1888	James H. Landers,	Perley B. Davis, *p.*	'62	'92	46	72	118	17	7	9	16	2	4	0	6	4	8
" **Seamen's,**	1888	Amelia J. Derby,	Sylvester S. Nickerson, *p.c.*	'76	'88	71	17	88	0	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	6	2

a William H. Kelsey, '85, '91, and Charles H. Washburn, '88, '98, assoc. pastors.

Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	Total.	cies.	Exp.
Berkley,	**Caleb D. Babbitt,**	70	45	66	30	42	3	10	0	7	7	0	18	87	0	1,045
Berlin,	**Charles M. Sawyer,**	98	60	50	45	25	15	10	0	7	6	0	7	70	0	1,00
Bernardston,	Alonzo Alford,	98	40	50	21	55	28	18	41	8	7	5	9	171	0	850
Beverly, North,	Charles S. Brown,	178		90	103	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	43	0	0
" **Dane st.,**	James H Moulton,	592	361	425	260	637	125	105	275	275	42	20	700	2,179	0	4,500
" **Wash'ton st.,**	Samuel Cole,	316	168	260	67	142	10	10	125	25	10	0	450	772	0	2,570
Billerica,	John E. Bull,	110	66	52	35	76	9	0	37	28	21	4	10	185	0	1,228
Blackstone,	Calvin H. Lee,	84	54	75	67	25	14	10	51	8	16	0	0	124	0	967
Blandford. 1st,	Charles B. Hayden,	100	47	40	31	78	5	6	37	25	4	7	10	172	0	2,298
" North,	Harrison L. Pease,	65	54	58	32	2	0	2	2	0	4	0	7	17	0	500
Boston, Ch'st'n,	Henry Brower,	101	71	70	22	119	0	0	43	40	20	0	0	222	1,000	2,700
" Old South,	Nathan B. Day,	589	338			7,122	532	257	19,089	366	250	1,000	7,069	35,685	0	
" 2d, Dorch'r,	William Q. Wales,	1,078	523	540	218	2,405	1,876	285	2,806	813	190	20	1,750	10,145	0	9,600
" **Park st.,**	J. C. Gordon,	325	193		81	2,100	0	0	2,986	28	0	26	514	5,654	1,000	19,887
" Union,	George B. Haven,	325	214	0	147	1,180	55	108	1,038	830	85	20	200	3,516	0	11,560
" Phillips, South	Percy H. Epler,	979	520	600	391	464	36	36	1,234	39	36	0	130	1,975	0	6,415
" Berkeley Tem.	Ha ilton S. Conant,	536	319	600	200	132	0	0	50	10	0	0	800	992	0	10,817
" Brighton,	Wil iam F. Humphrey,	324	255	300	152	509	70	103	1,712	127	0	0	280	2,811	0	5,880
" Village, Dorc.	William G. Swan,	231	160	150	153	294	10	0	354	12	0	0	169	839	0	5,312
" Winth'p, C'n,	John F. Briry,	440	277		78	258	125	38	474	150	0	0	570	1,615	0	7,750
" Eliot, Roxb.,	Clarence T. Mooar,	371	219	210	145	625	48	30	978	0	15	0	74	1,770	0	4,358
" Central,	John A. Bennett	200	150			2,107	526	249	3,703	279	624	0	296	7,784	0	
" W. Roxbury,	George B Graff,	218	158	212	62	404	13	5	475	49	28	86	219	1,279	0	4,798
" Mave'k, East,	Dea. Elmer H. Allen,	425	273	350	171	36	30	20	342	0	12	15	70	525	0	9,280
" Mt. Vernon,	David R. Craig,	176	102	275	100	2,421	0	0	1 575	419	0	57	400	4,872	180	10,000
" Shawmut,	D. E. Curtis,	537	354			1,881	0	0	1,208	230	33	0	0	3,352	0	9,663
" Jamaica Pl.,	J Wesley Farmer,	802	568	450	214	849	194	73	989	355	159	36	166	2,821	0	9,128
" Imman'l, Rox.	A a H. Porter	510	331	250	49	778	128	0	1,209	133	0	0	808	3,056	0	15,000
" Neponset,	Charles H Horne,	184	105	150	78	69	12	10	236	26	16	0	12	381	0	1,486
" Pilg'm, Dorch.	Ernest L. Miller	536	355	438	215	346	60	59	387	31	17	0	720	1,620	0	10,576
" Highl'd, Rox.,	Char es I Zeigler,	695	330	300	150	334	25	10	405	25	10	0	263	1,072	0	5,092
" Walnut av., R.	Frank O. Whitney,	400	269	200	128	954	143	42	2,354	205	66	3	13	3,780	0	8,777
" Olivet,	A M Clement,	150	65	75	26	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	30	39	0	1,250
" Boylston, J. P.	Sylvester Crocker,	440	218	300	81	166	24	29	104	65	25	0	376	789	0	4,102
" *Swed.*,	J. E. Friberg,	200				260	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	310	0	3,300
" *Norw.*,	Morten Olsen,	25	12	40		0	2	0	5	0	0	0	54	61	0	966
" Allston,	Harvey W Walker,	380	184	300	130	928	10	78	933	12	15	109	75	2,160	0	6,468
" Harvard,	Rev. William I. Bolster,	250	155	180	60	115	0	0	30	270	0	47	262	724	0	4,200
" Central,	James H. Taylor,	236	130	78	35	69	0	16	144	0	15	5	107	356	0	1,900
" Seamen's,	George Marsters,				45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210	210	0	0

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Berkley,	1737	Dea. Rollin H. Babbitt,	Franklin K. Beem, *p.t.c.*	'95	'94	26	56	82	18	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Berlin,	1779	William S. Eager,	**Henry F.** Markham *p.*	'80	'94	29	56	85	24	2	0	2	4	2	1	7	2	3
Barnardston,	1824	Dea. Henry Slate,	**David H.** Strong *p*	'85	'88	26	42	68	8	1	1	2	2	3	0	5	0	0
Beverly, North,	1715	Charles S. Brown,	[Raymond Semans, *Meth*	'96	'96	21	44	65	8	3	2	5	0	2	0	2	3	0
" Dane st.,	1809	Louis H. Baker,	Franc J. Van Horn, *p. c.*	'93	'95	135	310	445	28	29	12	41	12	7	1	20	14	6
" Washington st.,	1832	William A. Lefavour,	William A. Bacon *p. c.*	'95	'95	68	172	240	44	11	5	16	8	6	0	14	6	0
Billerica,	1827	Rev Daniel W. Hardy,	Daniel W. Hardy, *p.*	'74	'93	32	53	85	0	7	1	8	3	3	0	6	1	1
Blackstone,	1849	Calvin H. Lee,				14	25	39	9	0	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blandford, 1st,	1731	Charles B. Hayden,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p. c.*	'96	'96	25	61	86	20	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	5	2
" North,	1895	Mrs. Julia C. Loveland,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p.*	'96	'96	11	32	43	4	9	1	10	0	0	0	0	9	0
Boston, **Charlestown,**	1633	Gardner Bates,	Charles H. Pope, *p.*	'65	'96	40	135	175	90	1	1	2	1	3	0	4	0	3
" Old South,	1662	J. Converse Gray,	George A. Gordon, *p. c.*	'77	'84	223	456	679	56	28	43	71	15	6		21	12	8
" **2d, Dorchester,**	1809	William D. Brigham,	Arthur Little, *p. c.*	'63	'89	238	447	685	70	24	32	56	11	9	1	21	5	9
" **Park st.,**	1808	William E. Swift,				335	540	875	380	1	3	4	13	22	0	35	0	2
" **Union,**	1829	Charles W. Jones,	Samuel L. Loomis, *p. c.*	'80	'96	161	353	514	138	12	23	35	4	28	0	32	6	11
" Phillips, **South,**	1822	W B. Bancroft	Charles A. Dinsmore, *p. c.*	'85	'96	193	520	713	100	35	8	43	6	9	0	15	10	9
" Berkeley Temple,	1823	George R. King,	Charles A. Dickinson, *p.c.a*	'79	'88	423	781	1204	400	52	32	84	5	36	0	41	20	10
" **Brighton,**	1827	Elbra L Barker	Adolph A. Berle, *p. c.*	'87	'91	76	152	228	0	6	10	16	3	6	0	9	0	4
" Village, **Dorchester,**	'27	Frederick M Swan,	George W. Brooks, *p.*	'77	'90	63	149	212	31	0	4	4	1	1	0	2	0	5
" Winth'p, **Charlest'n,**	'33	Norman Q. Stewart,	William B. Forbush, *p. c.*	'92	'98	93	309	402	90	3	2	5	9	9	4	22	1	1
" Eliot, **Roxbury,**	1834	James S. Barrows,	August'sC.Thompson *p.c.*	'42	'42	120	258	378	84	6	3	9	5	6	0	11	1	3
" Central	1835	Arthur G. Stanwood,	Edward L. Clark, *p. c.*	'61	'93	71	169	240	0	0	10	10	8	6	0	14	0	1
" **W Roxbury,**	1835	Rev. F. W. Merrick,	**Frank W.** Merrick, *p. c.*	'91	'93	55	124	179	24	3	19	22	3	5	0	8	2	10
" Maverick East,	1836	Dea. J. Willard Brown,	Smith Baker, *p. c.*	'60	'93	103	275	378	181	18	5	23	6	63	0	69	6	49
" Mt. Vernon,	1842	Sanford Keith,	Samuel E. Herrick, *p. c.*	'63	'71	129	240	369		4	11	15	8	10	14	32	3	6
" **Shawmut,**	1845	Charles P. Loring,	Edwin B. Webb, *p.c., em.* / William E. Barton, *p. c.*	'50 / '85	'60 / '93	132	291	423	0	11	29	40	12	26	0	38	8	2
" **Jamaica Plain,**	1853	James H. Dodge,	Charles L. Morgan, *p. c.*	'76	'94	191	417	608	104	40	16	56	3	17	0	20	17	21
" **Immanuel, Roxb'y,**	1857	T Franklin Currier,	Charles H. Beale, *p. c.*	'80	'94	102	270	372	80	9	3	12	3	8	36	47	0	8
" **Neponset,**	1859	Herbert Tucker,	Eugene C. Webster, *p. c.*	'90	'93	38	78	116	32	2	1	3	7	1	0	8	2	11
" Pilgrim, **Dorche'r,**	1867	Charles H Crockett,	William H. Allbright, *p.c.*	'79	'90	126	317	443	23	13	15	28	4	20	3	27	7	12
" Highland, **Roxb'y,**	1869	George W. Basford,	William R. Campbell, *p.c.*	'81	'81	142	322	464	120	22	9	31	4	10	0	14	5	38
" Walnut av., **Roxb'y,**	'70	C. H. W. Wood,	Albert H. Plumb, *p. c.*	'58	'72	136	282	418	32	38	33	71	8	11	0	19	14	4
" **Olivet,**	1876	Miss Susan C. Smith,				23	52	75	0	3	3	6	0	2	0	2	0	2
" **Boylston, Ja. Plain,**	1879	Sylvester R. Crocker,	Ellis Mendell, *p. c.*	'79	'88	78	181	259	70	5	5	10	0	11	0	11	3	11
" *Swed.,*	1881	J. A Gustafson,	Augustus Lilienberg, *p.*		'98	64	132	196	0	31	0	31	1	33	0	34	0	0
" *Norwegian,*	1885	Ole M Dahl	Morten Olsen, *p.*	'95	'94	17	38	55	5	3	0	3	0	1	1	2	0	16
" **Allston,**	1886	J Ball,	John O. Haarvig, *p. c.*	'83	'95	116	217	333	57	18	7	25	6	8	0	14	11	7
" **Harvard, Dorch'r,**	1888	Henry N. Marr,	William H Bolster, *p. c.*	'72	'92	40	104	144	15	2	12	14	0	4	0	4	2	1
" Central, **Dorch'r,**	1888	James H. Landers,	Perley B. Davis, *p.*	'62	'92	46	72	118	17	7	9	16	2	4	0	6	4	8
" **Seamen's,**	1888	Amelia J. Derby,	Sylvester S. Nickerson, *p.c.*	'76	'88	71	17	88	0	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	6	2

a William S. Kelsey, '85, '91, and Charles H. Washburn, '85, '98, assoc. pastors.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.			Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Berkley,	Caleb D. Babbitt,	70	45	66	30	42	3	10	0	7	7	0	18	87	0	1,045
Berlin,	Charles M. Sawyer,	98	60	50	45	25	15	10	0	7	6	0	7	70	0	1,000
Bernardston,	Alonzo Alford,	95	40	50	21	55	28	18	41	8	7	5	9	171	0	850
Beverly, North,	Charles S. Brown,	178		90	103	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	43	0	0
" Dane st.,	James H Moulton,	592	361	425	260	637	125	105	275	275	42	20	700	2,179	0	4,500
" Wash'ton st.,	Samuel Cole,	316	168	260	67	142	10	10	125	25	10	0	450	772	0	2,570
Billerica,	John E. Bull,	110	66	52	35	76	9	0	37	28	21	4	10	185	0	1,228
Blackstone,	Calvin H Lee,	84	54	75	67	25	14	10	51	8	16	0	0	124	0	967
Blandford. 1st,	Charles B. Hayden,	100	47	40	31	78	5	6	37	25	4	7	10	172	0	2,298
" North,	Harrison L. Pease,	65	54	58	32	2	0	2	2	0	4	0	7	17	0	500
Boston, Ch'st'n,	Henry Brower,	101	71	70	22	119	0	0	43	40	20	0	0	222	1,000	2,700
" Old South,	Nathan B Day,	589	338			7,122	532	257	19,089	366	250	1,000	7,069	35,685	0	
" 2d, Dorch'r,	William Q. Wales,	1,078	523	540	218	2,405	1,876	285	2,806	813	190	20	1,750	10,145	0	9,600
" Park st.,	J C Gordon	325	193		81	2,100	0	0	2,986	28	0	26	514	5,654	1,000	19,887
" Union,	George B. Haven,	325	214	0	147	1,180	55	108	1,038	830	85	20	200	3,516	0	11,560
" Phillips, South	Percy H. Epler	979	520	600	391	464	36	36	1,234	39	36	0	130	1,975	0	6,415
" Berkeley Tem.	Hamilton S. Conant,	536	319	600	200	132	0	0	50	10	0	0	800	992	0	10,817
" Brighton,	William F. Humphrey,	324	255	300	152	509	70	103	1,712	127	0	0	280	2,811	0	5,880
" Village, Dorc.	William G. Swan,	231	160	150	153	294	10	0	354	12	0	0	169	839	0	5,312
" Winth'p, C'n,	John F. Briry,	440	277		78	258	125	38	474	150	0	0	570	1,615	0	7,750
" Eliot, Roxb.,	Clarence T. Mooar,	371	219	210	145	625	48	30	978	0	15	0	74	1,770	0	4,358
" Central,	John A. Bennett	200	150			2,107	526	249	3,703	279	624	0	296	7,784	0	
" W. Roxbury,	George B Graff	218	158	212	62	404	13	5	475	49	28	86	219	1,279	0	4,798
" Mave'k, East,	Dea. Elmer H. Allen,	425	273	350	171	36	30	20	342	0	12	15	70	525	0	9,280
" Mt. Vernon,	David R Craig,	176	102	275	100	2,421	0	0	1 575	419	0	57	400	4,872	180	10,000
" Shawmut,	D. E. Curtis,	537	354			1,881	0	0	1,208	230	33	0	0	3,352	0	9,663
" Jamaica Pl.,	J Wesley Farmer,	802	568	450	214	849	194	73	989	355	159	36	166	2,821	0	9,128
" Imman'l, Rox.	Asa H. Porter,	510	331	250	49	778	128	0	1,209	133	0	0	808	3,056	0	15,000
" Neponset,	Charles H. Horne,	184	105	150	78	69	12	10	236	26	16	0	12	381	0	1,486
" Pilg'm, Dorch.	Ernest L. Mill r,	536	355	438	215	346	60	59	387	31	17	0	720	1,620	0	10,576
" Highl'd, Rox.,	Charles Zeigler,	695	330	300	150	334	25	10	405	25	10	0	263	1,072	0	5,092
" Walnut av., R.	Frank O. Whitney,	400	269	200	128	954	143	42	2,354	205	66	3	13	3,780	0	8,777
" Olivet,	A. M. Clement,	150	65	75	26	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	30	39	0	1,250
" Boylston, J. P.	Sy vester Crocker,	440	218	300	81	166	24	29	104	65	25	0	376	789	0	4,102
" *Swed.*,	J. E. Friberg,	200				260	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	310	0	3,300
" *Norw.*,	Morten Olsen,	25	12	40		0	2	0	5	0	0	0	54	61	0	966
" Allston,	Harvey W. Walker,	380	184	300	130	928	10	78	933	12	15	109	75	2,160	0	6,468
" Harvard,	Rev. William H. Bolster,	250	155	180	60	115	0	0	30	270	0	47	262	724	0	4,200
" Central,	James H. Taylor,	236	130	78	35	69	0	16	144	0	15	5	107	356	0	1,900
" Seamen's,	George Marsters,				45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210	210	0	0

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Boston, Roslindale,	1890	**Dea. H. H. Cole,**	**Richard B. Grover,** *p.*	'81	'91	61	133	194	20	1	6	7	7	8	1	16	0	12
" St. Mark's,	1895																	
" **Baker. E. Boston,**	1897	**Erskine Chown,**	**James C. Young,** *p. c.*	'91	'97	11	43	54		4	50	54	0	0	0	0	1	1
Boxboro', West Acton,	1784	A. W. Wetherbee,				22	33	55	20	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
Boxford,	1702	William W. Howe,	Emery L. Bradford, *p. c.*	'92	'92	32	91	123	50	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	2
" **West,**	1736	Walter I. Chadwick,	Charles L. Hubbard. *p. c.*	'68	'78	23	46	69	4	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0
Boylston,	1743	Mrs. C. Bray, **B. Cent.**				50	92	142	41	4	1	5	3	1	3	7	3	1
Braintree, 1st,	1707	Dea. Urza B. Keith,	A fred A. Ellsworth *p. c.*	'62	'85	44	130	174	30	1	2	3	6	0	0	6	1	9
" **South,**	1829	Frank A. Reed,	**Chas. F. H. Crathern,** *p.*	'86	'96	24	67	91		7	18	25	3	1	0	4	4	2
Bridgewater,	1821	Dea. L. A. Darling,	**Elbert S. Porter,** *p. c.*	'83	'89	83	168	251	67	6	3	9	2	14	0	16	2	2
" **Scotland,**	1836	Mrs. T. C. Wilbur, **B.,**	**Ira A. Smith,** *p.*	'82	'96	11	23	34	15	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1
Brimfield,	1724	Dea. Edward B. Brown,	**Robert J. Kyle,** *p. c.*	'85	'93	31	51	82	24	0	4	4	6	0	0	6	0	1
Brockton, 1st,	1740	Warren Tirrell,	Alan Hudson *p. c.*	'92	'96	98	254	352	18	21	21	42	7	6	0	13	12	0
" **South, Campello,**	1837	Rufus P. Keith,	**William T. Beale,** *p. c.*	'82	'94	141	275	416	0	42	10	52	4	1	0	5	23	2
" Porter,	1850	Minot W. Niles,	**Andrew W. Archibald,** *p.c.*	'76	'97	191	403	594	90	17	22	39	11	37	3	1	10	5
" *Swed.*, **Campello,**	1879	William Allen,	John E. Johnson, *p. c.*	'92	'97	125	170	295	0	33	2	35	3	4	0	7	0	29
" Waldo,	1896	James T. McCaughey,	Robert L. Rae, *p. c.*	'89	'96	25	42	67	0	6	5	11	0	1	0	1	0	0
" **Wendell av.,**	1897	Davis Kingman,	**Edwin L. Noble,** *p. c.*	'96	'97	23	49	72	1	29	43	72	0	0	0	0	21	2
" **Lincoln,**	1897	Earnest Parker,	[Sebastian D. Turner, *Meth.*]		'97	13	14	27	1	8	19	27	0	0	0	0	6	0
Brookfield,	1756	Miss M. Ella Gibson,	Edw. B. Blanchard, *p. c.*	'92	'95	35	98	133	37	1	5	6	3	4	0	7	0	1
Brookline, Harvard,	1844	Edward Sharp,	Reuen Thomas, *p. c. a*	'60	'75	206	455	661	75	8	16	24	6	10	0	16	0	0
" Leyden,	1806	Robert W. Hastings,	Harris G. Hale, *p. c.*	'91	'96	20	47	67	3	2	9	11	0	0	0	0	0	1
Buckland,	1785	Dea. H. L. Warfield,	Edward A. Robinson,	'83	'98	51	107	158	30	0	0	0	2	5	0	7	0	0
Burlington,	1735	Samuel Sewall,	Austin Dodge, *p.*	'66	'95	18	36	54	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Cambridge, 1st,	1636	Charles F. Stratton,	Alex'r McKenzie, *p. c. b*	'61	'67	249	590	839	0	16	14	30	17	7	0	24	0	9
" Prospect st.,	1827	E Sidney Berry,	Reuben A. Beard, *p. c.*	'79	'97	113	271	384	103	2	2	1	0	6	28	34	0	0
" North av.,	1857	John F. Eaton,				154	291	445	80	0	11	11	2	18	0	20	0	0
" Pilgrim,	1865	Dea. Daniel S. Coolidge,	**Frank E. Ramsdell,** *p. c.*	'91	'96	228	403	631	132	12	21	33	12	21	0	33	2	4
" Wood Memorial,	1872	Dea. Abijah R. Buck,	**Isaiah W. Sneath,** *p. c.*	'84	'87	99	195	294	59	29	13	42	2	8	0	10	10	40
" Hope,	1890	H. H. Abbott,	Charles M. Carpenter, *p.*	'90	'93	41	64	105	8	11	4	15	3	4	1	8	0	3
Canton,	1828	Abner Morse,	M Angelo Dougherty, *p.*	'69	'97	27	77	104	37	0	1	1	1	4	0	5	0	0
Carlisle,	1781	W. A. Prescott,	Lyman Mevis, *p.*	'91	'94	20	35	55	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	2
Carver, North,	1733	Theron M. Cole,	Washington H. Forbes, *p*	'81	'97	13	32	45	4	9	3	12	7	0	1	8	8	0
Charlemont, 1st,	1788	Dea. J. H. Smead,	William R. Joyslin, *p.*	'64	'96	31	55	86	9	0	2	2	2	5	0	7	0	0
" **East,**	1845	Mrs. Lyman Whiting,	**Lyman Whiting,** *p.*	'43	'89	17	38	55	11	1	2	3	4	6	0	10	1	0
Charlton,	1761	Mrs. E. Y. W. Spencer,	**George O. Jenness,** *p.*	'61	'96	14	45	59	24	1	0	1	3	1	0	4	0	1
Chatham,	1720	Mrs. Lorrilla Hardy,	**Daniel W. Richardson,** *p.*	'62	'96	24	54	78	17	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	0
Chelmsford, North,	1824	Dea. Charles H. Holt,				20	48	68	15	1	0	1	3	1	0	4	0	3
" Central,	1876	A. B. Woodworth,	**Ernest C. Bartlett,** *p. c.*	'96	'96	29	70	99	13	3	9	12	2	0	0	2	0	0
Chelsea, 1st,	1841	Waldo E. Pratt,	**Ross C. Houghton.** *p. c.*	'69	'95	98	287	385	60	20	2	22	4	7	0	11	13	9

a Oliver D. Sewall, asst. p., '92, '97. *b* Leonard S. Parker, asst. p., '88, '86.

Bradford *see* Haverhill. Byfield, *see* Newbury. Campello, *see* Brockton. Centreville, *see* Barnstable. Charlestown, *see* Boston.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.										
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.	Legacies.	Home Exp.
Boston, Roslind'e	William J. Wilson,	320	207	250	110	110	0	15	115	0	0	0	75	315	0	
" Garrison Mem.																
" Baker,	George Taylor,	300	175	300	90										0	
Boxboro,	Martin E. Wood,	68	40	26	21	44	0	0	34	5	4	0	7	94	0	505
Boxford,	H. N. Towne,	100	70	101		36	0	11	43	51	34	10	50	235	0	1,700
" West,	Nathan B. Sargent,	70	30	75	24	84	4	3	19	60	0	0	20	190	0	
Boylston,	C. H. Andrews, B. Centre,	m140		110	50	35	0	5	47	61	8	3	46	205	0	1,400
Braintree, 1st,	Charles S. Bates,	247	175	150	43	140	20	17	408	24	50	0	0	659	0	3,893
" South,	Dea. H. B. Whitman,	251	160	150	40	38	10	6	146	20	14	7	40	281	0	2,500
Bridgewater,	Wm. D. Jackson,	200	100	135	128	89	14	0	132	50	25	0	190	500	1,000	2,156
" Scotland,	W. H. H. Andrews,	40	30	40	37	3	0	0	2	3	0	0	16	24	0	700
Brimfield,	George H. Streeter,	105	66	51	40	59	34	12	21	21	15	0	0	162	500	1,200
Brockton, 1st,	Arthur N. Whitney,	370	251	515	175	77	0	0	176	0	13	0	556	822	0	92,000
" So. Campello,	Harold C. Childs,	m865	416	375	250	246	15	39	167	73	37	55	533	1,165	0	5,500
" Porter,	Charles H. Jenney,	835	490		227	393	14	90	712	125	84	0	896	2,314	0	8,431
" *Swed.*, Camp.	C. Norlinz,	237		110	74	168	0	0	0	485	0	0	320	973	0	2,550
" Waldo,	Charles E. Johnson,	236	143		150	10	0	0	0	6	0	0	140	156	0	1,700
" Wendell av.,	Charles Williamson,	184	112	150	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,325
" Lincoln,	Henry F. Chavis,	27	15	22		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	115
Brookfield,	Edward B. Hale,	140	95	92	70	53	261	5	10	17	10	0	70	426	0	1,500
Brookline, Har'd,	Rev. Oliver D. Sewall,	850	550	510	206	4,100	275	104	4,363	656	729	0	8,200	18,427	0	17,000
" Leyden.	Morris A. Hall,	65	42	75	26	162	45	55	366	66	0	0	0	694	0	5,100
Buckland,	Dea Edmund F. Smith,	115	65	124	45	38	5	5	22	12	0	0	19	111	0	850
Burlington,	Thomas I. Reed,	75	40	75	50	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	1,200
Cambridge, 1st,	Charles W. Spencer,	475	338		180	1,632	142	209	3,110	258	817	0	1,838	8,006	0	9,600
" Prospect st.,	Allyne L. Merrill,	330	180	240	130	595	40	46	929	110	150	0	111	1,981	75	4,620
" North av.,	James Morrison,	497	310	300	99	689	174	0	541	256	0	92	228	1,980	0	7,230
" Pilgrim,	George B. Caswell,	536	360	450	192	193	85	68	127	182	56	0	211	922	0	0
" Wood Mem.	A. Lawrence Ball,	480	317		125	85	37	2	36	12	1	2	160	335	0	5,506
" Hope,	William White,	180	106	30	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Canton,	Miss Jennie F. Ellis,	128	67	100	65	0	0	0	51	21	0	0	0	72	0	0
Carlisle,	Warren B. Chamberlin,	92	50	50	28	16	0	0	15	5	16	0	7	59	0	1,278
Carver, North,	Edgar S. Gardner,	60	38	54	14	30	0	0	30	0	6	0	22	88	60	509
Charlemont, 1st,	Dea. E. N. Hawkes,	95	63	107	20	32	0	0	40	0	15	0	7	94	0	850
" East,	Everett T. Packard,	65	43	49	43	28	10	18	39	13	25	4	127	264	0	450
Charlton,	M. Daniel Woodbury,	47	21	38	51	25	0	2	9	8	0	3	10	57	0	665
Chatham,	Dea. Levi Atwood,	83	40	60	63	12	0	0	12	0	0	0	7	31	0	865
Chelmsford, N ,	Dea. Arthur H. Sheldon,	95	60	0	59	4	0	1	15	6	0	0	0	26	0	1,430
Chelmsford, Cen'l	Samuel Hagerman,	153	114	87	87	73	0	18	23	0	11	11	0	136	0	1,277
Chelsea, 1st,	Arthur C. Stone, h m	669	364	406	107	201	0	7	234	27	5	0	560	1,034	3,000	6,558

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Chelsea, Central,	1854	Walter S Baldwin,	Rob't A. MacFadden, *p. c.*	'96	'98	171	558	729	103	72	31	103	11	28	10	49	35	15
" 3d,	1877	Jacob Pratt, jr.,	Samuel M. Cathcart, *p. c.*	'96	'96	44	113	157	0	4	10	14	4	9	0	13	2	9
Chester, 1st,	1769	Dea. A. S. Foote,	Edward C. Haynes, *p.*	'82	'93	13	15	28	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" 2d,	1844	Edward O. Redfield,	Thomas D. Murphy, *p.*	'68	'93	31	77	108	17	6	5	11	1	4	12	17	4	4
Chesterfield,	1764	Mrs. Wm. Baker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, *p.*	'87	'95	30	54	84	13	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	2	0
Chicopee, 1st,	1752	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	Collins G. Burnham, *p. c.*	'79	'98	25	52	77	20	2	0	2	0	3	0	3	0	1
" Falls,	1830	Arthur B. West,	Hervey G. Pillsbury, *p.c.*	'82	'95	66	115	181	20	1	1	2	4	2	0	6	0	0
" 3d,	1834	James L. Pease,				54	148	202	102	0	2	2	2	2	0	4	0	0
Clinton,	1844	Edward L. Greene,	William W. Jordan, *p. c.*	'84	'93	160	321	481	87	11	8	19	9	9	0	18	6	12
" *German*,	1897	Henry Wessels,	Frank C. F. Scherff, *p.*	'76	'87	21	30	51	1	0	51	51	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cohasset,	1824	Warren L. Tower,	E. Victor Bigelow *p. c.*	'91	'91	31	103	134	20	6	5	11	1	2	10	13	3	5
" Beechwood,	1863	Mrs. Clara Hyland,*b*	Frank Park.	'95	'98	6	29	35	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Coleraine,	1750	Dea. A. H. Temple,*a*	Charles M. Crooks, *p.*	'97	'96	12	32	44	12	0	7	7	1	1	1	3	0	0
Concord,	1826	Ole O. Thorpe,	George A. Tewksbury, *p.*	'63	'91	63	136	199		17	1	18	3	7	0	10	3	15
Conway,	1768	Henry W. Billings,	Eugene F. Hunt, *p.*	'84	'95	72	122	194	33	13	0	13	2	4	2	8	10	1
Cummington,	1839	Mrs. Julia Porter,	Joseph W. Strout, *p.*	'86	'94	36	70	106	12	2	2	4	2	6		8	2	
" West,	1840	Mrs S. D. Benjamin,	Joseph W. Strout, *p.*	'86	'94	7	26	33	8	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Dalton,	1785	Dea. Henry A. Barton,	George W. Andrews, *p.*	'82	'83	113	218	331	34	17	12	29	5	4	0	9	8	7
Dana,	1852	N I Johnson,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'93	5	14	19	8	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	2
Danvers Centre,	1689	Edward A. H. Grover,	Harry C. Adams, *p. c.*	'89	'97	51	139	190	29	0	2	2	1	5	0	6	0	2
" Maple st.,	1844	John S. Learoyd,	Edward C. Ewing, *p. c.*	'63	'83	112	273	385	37	4	1	5	15	2	0	17	4	6
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wauton H. Gray,	Simeon B. Dunn, *p.*	'75	'97	16	38	54	11	2	5	7	0	1	0	1	2	0
Dedham,	1638	Miss Sarah B. Baker,	Joseph B. Seabury, *p. c.*	'75	'85	83	196	279	48	3	0	3	3	7	0	10	1	0
Deerfield, South,	1818	Henry A. Field,	Edward O. Grisbrook,	'93	'98	54	105	159	22	2	1	3	3	5	0	8	1	1
"	1835	B Z. Stebbins, jr.,	Andrew Campbell, *p.*	'96	'96	20	49	69	12	0	5	5	1	0	0	1	0	2
Dennis, South,	1817	Miss E. H. Underwood,	Joseph S. Gove, *p.*	'93	'97	4	33	37	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Union,	1866	Nathan A. Howes,	[Lucius H. Bugbee, *Lic.*]		'97	7	33	40	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Dighton, North,	1710	George E. Gooding,	Granville Yager, *p.*	'78	'95	18	39	57	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Douglas,	1747	Mrs. Laura E. Balcom,	[George O. Crosby, *Meth.*]			5	27	32	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" East,	1834	Dea. Edwin Moore,	[Charles P. Pierce, *Lic.*]		'97	43	64	107	17	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
Dover,	1839	George L. Howe,	Edwin Leonard, *p.*	'52	'92	22	26	48	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dracut, 1st,	1721	Dea. Silas R. Coburn,	Ernest L. Baker, *p. c.*	'94	'94	14	47	61	10	2	2	4		3	0	3		2
" Central,	1847	William H. Stickney,	Frederick I. Kelley,	'89	'97	38	64	102	18	6	12	18	1	1	0	2	3	3
Dudley,	1732	Dea. Wm. H. Upham,				20	57	77	21	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	0
Dunstable,	1757	Lyman V. Parkhurst,	Bartlett H. Weston, *p.*	'90	'91	25	51	76	8	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	4	1
Duxbury,	1843	John H Haverstock,	Solomon G. Merrick, *p.*	'86	'95	14	62	76	13	3	3	6	3	0	0	3	3	0
East Bridgewater,	1826	James S. Allen,	Frank H. Palmer, *p.*	'80	'93	45	60	105	25	4	0	4	3	1	0	4	4	0
Easthampton, 1st,	1785	Henry L. Lyman,	Sumner G. Wood, *p. c.*	'80	'89	96	231	327	55	5	7	12	8	9	3	20	5	7
Easthampton, Payson,	1852	Charles H. Johnson,	Charles H. Hamlin, *p. c.*	'76	'85	126	333	459	75	8	4	12	7	13		20	3	10
East Longmeadow,	1829	Arthur G. Crane,	Harry C. McKnight, *p.*	'85	'98	36	59	95	26	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0

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Chelsea, Central,	George H. Buck,	h 1,104	504	900	162	600	109	71	1,045	34	55	27	424	2 365	0	6,397
" 3d,	Richard Burns,	275	171		42	33	0	5	22	24	0	5	390	479	0	2,225
Chester, 1st,	Edward C. Haynes,	35	21	22	0	0	2	0	6	0	7	0	0	15	0	250
" 2d,	Fred A. Mixer,	212	140	91	60	17	0	0	50	13	12	0	58	150	0	1,283
Chesterfield,	William H. Baker,	85	42	125	37	54	0	3	9	2	1	5	0	74	0	1,235
Chicopee, 1st,	Rev. Collins G. Burnham,	65	44	42	0	50	15	14	36	20	5	5	11	156	0	1,101
" Falls,	Fred M. Nichols,	203	125	145	40	151	136	44	269	88	29	7	272	996	0	3,440
" 3d,	C. O. Brodeur,	155	92	118	50	55	89	0	182	191	0	105	1,132	1,754	0	3,000
Clinton,	Thomas G. Mayberry,	626	431	350	126	317	118	26	228	162	16	14	1,145	2,026	0	4,279
" *German*,	Rev. F. C. F. Scherff,	115	85	50	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	420
Cohasset,	Philander Bates,	140	80	135	100	150	9	11	178	13	2	7	34	404	0	2,022
" Beechwood,	Rev. John Wriston,	90	45	60	55	0	0	5	7	0	2	0	5	19	0	510
Coleraine,	L. Griswold, **Griswoldville,**	60	24	80	25	16	0	3	18	5	1	0	15	58	0	1,356
Concord,	Charles H. Towle,	200	143	196	81	266	23	14	275	94	18	28	124	842	0	3,769
Conway,	Dea. E. W. Hamilton,	165	103	90	75	76	36	20	49	68	30	4	136	419	0	1,650
Cummington,	Mrs. Sarah Streeter		88	50		10	3	0	14	14	5	0	8	54	0	0
" West,	A. N. Hubbard,	30	20	30		0	0	0	17	0	1			18	0	180
Dalton,	Payson E. Little,	415	243	275	200	2,300	1,500	163	1,971	825	171	132	750	7,812	0	3,500
Dana,	Forest A. Hicks, **Nichewaug.**	25	20	30	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	0	290
Danvers Centre,	Edward A. H. Grover,	245	122	180	49	85	80	2	63	3	5	0	72	310	0	2,326
" Maple st.,	George W Fiske,	561	362	290	201	611	437	66	453	318	101	19	355	2,360	0	4,169
Dartmouth, So.,	E. B. Sturtevant,	65	32	100	80	8	0	0	5	0	0	0	20	33	0	4,225
Dedham,	James Y. Noyes,	218	159	180	84	1,021	110	52	1,263	135	125	58	266	3,030	0	4,044
Deerfield, South,	Arthur G. Clapp,	210	91	125	48	93	18	26	123	67	3	41	15	386	0	1,339
	John J. Greenough,	48	33	51	25											
Dennis, South,	William E. Baker,	60	40	60	0	18	0	0	4	2	6	0	0	30	0	800
" Union,	Nathan A Howes,	m155	55	50	50	16	0	0	3	6	0	0	12	37	0	825
Dighton, North,	George A. Clark,	76	46	40	24	72	0	0	12	37	5	9	251	386	0	1,005
Douglas,	Laura E. Balcom,	35	20	35	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	200
" East,	Walter A. Harris,	110	76	125	67	76	4	6	37	20	9	4	47	203	0	1,580
Dover,	George L. Howe,	58	35	43	42	10	0	3	14	3	0	0	7	37	0	400
Dracut, 1st,	Dea. Charles L. Hodge,	126	100	100	36	3	4	7	8	1	7	4	5	39	0	850
" Central,	Calvin Richardson,	201	160	92	34	15	0	0	7	10	0	0	0	32	0	12,195
Dudley,	Charles E. Bateman,	146	64	70	49	19	2	0	7	1	1	0	2	32	0	1,180
Dunstable,	George A. Glover	80	53	0	46	102	9	14	70	32	35	0	54	316	0	1,355
Duxbury,	Miss Sara B. Higgins,	75	55	105	50	20	0	0	38	0	0	0	56	114	0	1,171
E. Bridgewater,	James Sidney Allen,	h127	56		59	44	7	0	9	7	6	3	3	79	0	1,400
Easthampton, 1st,	H. J. Porter,	314	148	200	96	196	86	59	140	175	11	0	198	865	0	2,857
Easthamp'n, P'n,	Samuel Brown,	278	197	200	94	349	30	46	379	108	13	19	177	1,121	0	3,777
E. Longmeadow,	Dea. F. C. Davis,	110	76	70	74	46	3	2	24	0	9	0	0	84	0	800

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Easton,	1725	Dea. E. B. Hayward,*a*	Augustus H. Fuller, *p.*	'78	'92	53	106	159	18	10	3	13	5	2	1	8	9	1
" *Swedish*, **North,**	1883	William Borg,	Emil Holmblad, *p.*	'84	'92	19	14	33	2	0	0	0	0	3	6	9	0	19
Edgartown,	1642	Theo. S. Winpenny,				20	51	71	7	0	3	3	1	1	0	2	0	0
Egremont, South,	1816	Roscoe C. Taft,	Bruce W. Cronmiller, *p.*	'93	'96	28	64	92		2	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	4
Enfield,	1789	F. D. Thayer,	George H. Hubbard, *p.*	'84	'96	74	148	222	43	10	5	15	8	6	0	14	3	13
Erving,	1832	Rev. J. W. Brownville,	John W. Brownville, *p.*	'73	'92	20	43	63	14	1	1	2	0	1	0		0	0
Essex,	1683	Rufus Choate,	William J. Murray, *p.*	'79	'96	31	96	127	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
Everett, 1st,	1848	Franklin Pierce,	William I. Sweet, *p.*	'87	'97	137	239	376	0	9	9	18	14	7	0	31	3	12
" Courtland st.,	1891	Geo. R. F. Nichols,	Richard H. McGown, *p.*	'82	'95	20	26	46	3	6	4	10	1	2	0	3	2	1
" Mystic Side,	1893	George H. Wood,				47	89	136	12	8	7	15	0	10	1	11	5	7
Fairhaven,	1794	Tucker Damon,	William H. Brodhead, *p.*	'79	'97	30	86	116	12	0	0	0		8	0	9	0	0
Fall River, 1st,	1816		William W. Adams, *p. c.*	'60	'63	60	193	253	26	5	7	12		2	0	3	3	1
" Central,	1842	James W. Brigham,	William Knight, *p. c., c*	'86	'97	187	365	552	75	12	14	26	8	4	0	12	2	51
" Fowler,	1874	Walter E. Tripp,	Payson W. Lyman, *p. c.*	'71	'89	17	71	88	24	0	1	1	0	1	0		0	1
" *French*,	1886	Joseph M. Adam,	Samuel P. Rondeau, *p.*	'92	'96	28	35	63	2	17	0	17	0	2	1	3	12	21
" Broadway,	1894		Henry G. Megathlin, *p. c.*	'96	'96	14	62	76	8		6	7	0	5	4	9	0	1
Falmouth, 1st,	1708	Dea. George E. Clark,				43	110	153	35	3	0	3	6	1	0	7	3	3
" East,	1821	Dea. W. W. Eldridge,*b*				9	26	35	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1833	Dea. Jas. W. Witherell,	Ezra N. Smith, *p.*	'72	'90	18	37	55	13	0	1		3	0	0	3	0	0
" Waquoit,	1849	Jno. B. Fisher,				17	35	52	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Woods Holl,	1880	Mrs. W. Bowles,	George S. Dodge, *p.*	'92	'92	16	18	34	10	0	0	0	0		0	1	0	0
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	1768	George A. Hitchcock,	George R. Hewitt, *p.*	'86	'94	165	288	453	0	12	14	26	4	6	0	10	0	10
" Rollstone,	1868	Frank C. Hoyt,	William O. Conrad, *p. c.*	'90	'96	186	375	561	80	14	22	36	9		1	21	8	8
" *German*,	1889	Christian Moeckel,	S. Hermann Schwab, *p.*	89	'88	20	52	72	0	13	0	13	0	0	12	12		13
" *Swedish*,	1892	Evald Remgren,	[John Axelson],		'97	47	63	10	8	13	0	13	3	9	5	7	0	5
Foxboro',	1779	Dea. Horace Carpenter,	James W. Flagg, *p.*	'82	'93	71	197	268	52	13	7	20	3	2	2	7	8	2
Framingham,	1701	Rev. L. R. Eastman,	Lucius R. Eastman, *p. c.*	'62	'71	76	199	275	23	6	1	7	3	2	0	5	3	2
" Saxonville,	1833	Dea. J. B. Johnson,	George A. Brock, *p. c.*	'91	'91	37	121	158	37	5	2	7	1	0	0			5
" South,	1873	Fred L. Oakes,	Frederick E. Emrich, *p. c.*	'75	'89	137	258	395	48	7	9	16	3	8	1	12	5	11
Franklin, 1st,	1738	Dea. J. Herbert Baker,	Charles W. Longren, *p.*	'87	'94	90	242	332	75	3	19	22	5	5	0	10	3	7
Freetown, Assonet,	1807	Gilbert M. Nichols,	Franklin K. Beem, *p.*	'95	'95	7	13	20	5	0	0	0	2		1	4	0	0
Gardner,	1786	H. H. Smith, W. G.,	Burton S. Gilman, *p. c.*	'97	'97	133	256	389	46	2	10	12	3	10	0	13	2	0
Georgetown, 1st,	1732					33	101	134	32	3	2	5	1	1	0	2	0	1
" Memorial,	1864	Dea. Henry Hilliard,	C. Julian Tuthill, *p.*	'94	'95	33	82	115	23	3	0	3	4	3	0	7		0
Gill,	1796	Mrs. E. L. Moore,	William H. Dowden, *p.*	'63	'98	10	22	32	3	3	2	5		0	6	7		0
Gloucester, West,	1716	W. H. R. Rust,	Temple Cutler, *p.*	'61	'95	20	30	50	9	0		1		1	0	2	0	0
" Trinity,	1829	John J. Pew,	Rufus P. Hibbard, *p. c.*	'68	'88	85	246	331	32	9	9	18	2	6	1	9	3	6
Gloucester, Lanesville,	1830	Francis Reid,	Frank H. Reed, *p. c.*	'86	'85	38	81	19	36	3	0	3	0	2	0	2	2	3
" Magnolia,	1887	George A. Upton,	James E. Enman, *p. c.*	'95	'95	10	24	34	5	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	2	2
Goshen,	1780	C. Nelson Shaw,	Calvin Keyser,	'75	'98	23	33	56	19	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	3

a **Eastondale.** *b* **Hatchville.** *c* **Edwin A. Buck, asst. pastor, '54, '67. Feeding Hills,** *see* **Agawam. Florence,** *see* **Northampton. Gilbertville,** *see* **Hardwick.**

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Easton,	Edward B. Hayward,*a*	m325	180	250	102	152	24	13	158	38	30	8	60	483	0	1,400
" *S.* North,	William Borg,	110	85	50		20	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	47	0	505
Edgartown,	Mrs. H. R. F. Shepard,	75	40	50	20	18	0	0	10	5	2	0	5	40	0	775
Egremont, South,	C. G. Dalzell,	94	58	50	46	62	9	6	6	10	6	0	63	162	0	
Enfield,	R. L. Thayer,	234	143	150	45	303	34	17	219	274	13	17	275	1,152	0	2,095
Erving,	William W. Brown,	128	82	121	41	0	0	0	17	5	0	0	15	37	0	575
Essex,	Gardiner Burnham,	158	100	138	101	24	0	0	21	9	0	0	136	190	0	1,750
Everett, 1st,	George S. Marshall,	h970	413	400	243	141	15	2	121	65	13	24	58	439	0	4,118
" Courtland st.	John M. Finch,	153	100	125	59	3	0	0	8	0	0	0	2	13	0	951
" Mystic Side,	Fred H. Nowers,	273	175	183	46	55	10	13	29	12	12	5	22	158	100	2,703
Fairhaven,	Robert W Taber,	129	82		50	30	0	18	30	0	7	0	4	89	0	1,115
Fall River, 1st,	G Frank Allen	345	196	180	186	903	735	63	2,075	79	33	0	2,676	6,564	0	6,310
" Cen'l,	Clinton V. S. Remington,	849	537	450	78	1,340	95	112	2,494	414	107	0	430	4,992	0	10,000
" Fowler,	Frederick W Lawson,	160	106	80	35	89	0	0	98	23	31	0	230	471	0	1,520
" *French*,	Rev S P Rondeau,	78	48	33	0	0	6	0	55	0	0	0	0	61	0	190
" Broadway,	William H. ves,	88	68	30	47	8	0	0	12	4	0	0	0	24	0	450
Falmouth, 1st,	Dea. S. A. Holton,	152	82	125	69	121	14	23	147	29	33	6	44	417	200	1,750
" East,	William F Robinson,	22	4	12	22	12	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	19	0	400
" North,	Dea. Silas Hatch	50	35	50	20	50	0	0	33	4	8	0	15	110	0	840
" Waquoit,	Alexander Crocker,	22	15	33	0	12	0	0	10	0	3	0	0	25	0	300
" Woods Holl,	Willis C Gifford	40	27	25	48	4	0	0	13	3	0	0	22	42	0	
Fitchburg, Calv.	Albert C. Brown,	360	200		110	241	63	55	511	114	70	0	487	1,541	0	7,133
" Rollstone,	Charles A. Tilton,	595	347	500	157	254	15	27	626	144	8	21	204	1,299	0	5,535
" *German*,	S. H. Schwab,	125	84	70	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	41	0	570
" *Swedish*,	W Pellerson,	108	90	50	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	113	113	0	2,135
Foxboro',	Benjamin F. Boyden,	265	163	193	99	177	7	20	99	113	17	24	181	638	0	2,978
Framingham,	Harry D. Eastman,	140	72	140	48	493	27	34	763	223	37	0	208	1,785	2,000	2,506
" Saxonville,	Arthur C. Winch,	114	83	100	72	88	2	6	171	23	2	5	71	368	0	1,600
" South,	Alfred J. Heath,	514	279	325	101	325	29	47	355	134	57	20	1,051	2,018	0	5,715
Franklin, 1st,	William H. Colby,	258	155	175	92	121	8	14	40	39	28	0	129	379	0	2,500
Freetown, Ass't,	Miss Florence M. Dean,	15	10	15	20	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	7	0	215
Gardner,	C. C. Rathburn,	268	218	350	230	284	182	23	262	92	31	4	492	1,370	0	5,200
Georgetown, 1st,	E. S. Daniels,	120	76	150	21	38	0	0	60	20	11	0	0	129	0	2,100
" Memorial,	Lewis H. Giles,	176	115	147	45	82	73	9	88	35	0	0	76	363	0	1,662
Gill,	Lyman Hale,	35	25	22	28	24	0	0	0	15	2	0	0	41	0	600
Gloucester, West,	Walter Haskell,	60	33			27	0	0	10	0	0	0	11	48	0	
" Trinity,	John Cunningham,	605	401	380	100	266	56	91	1,647	146	50	41	1,603	3,900	11,900	4,945
Gloucester, L'v'le	Joseph H. Andrews,	183	93	115	65	57	0	0	10	0	8	0	60	135	0	975
" Magnolia,	Robert W. Boyd,	60	35	52	40	5	2	0	12	5	0	0	2	26	0	1,000
Goshen,	August D. Cordtsen,	50	30	30	26	2	0	0	5	2	5	0	15	29	0	875

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Grafton,	1731	Mrs.H.CatherineAllen,	Benjam n A. Robie, *p.*	'66	'84	40	102	142	35	5	4	9	4	2	0	6	0	1
" **Saundersville,**	1860	William E. Fowler,	Daniel Howie, *p.*	'89	'93	41	78	119	31	4	9	13	2	1	0	3	3	1
Granby,	1762	Simeon Kellogg,	Robert C. Bell *p.*	'69	'92	78	131	209	43	10	0	11	6	3	0	9	2	1
Granville, East,	1747	Mrs. J. W. Johnson,	Wallace H Steerns, *p. c.*	'97	'97	13	29	42	13	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
" **West,**	1781	Rev. S. B. Andrews,	Samuel B Andrews, *p.*	'68	'96	23	34	57	27	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Great Barrington,	1743	J. W. Curtiss	Leon D. Bliss, *p. c.*	'89	'96	83	203	286	57	15	10	25	4	3	0	7	6	11
" **Housatonic,**	1841	Thomas E. Brown,	Arthur J. Benedict, *p.*	'75	'92	60	122	182	28	7	0	7	2	2	3	7	1	1
Greenfield, 1st,	1754	Chas. W. Dinsmore,	Carey H. Watson, *p.*	'91	'90	30	52	82	25	1	2	3	1	1	0	2	1	5
" 2d,	1817	Solon L. Newton,	G. Glenn Atkins, *p.*	'95	'94	91	216	307	52	10	3	13	9	5	0	14	3	1
Greenwich,	1749	Walter H. Glazier,	Lawrence Perry, *p.*	'94	'94	24	73	97	18	1	1	2	3	4	0	7	1	0
Groton,	1664	Dea. D. P. Keyes,	Louis B. Voorhees, *p. c.*	'71	'93	59	132	191	37	12	2	14	8	0	0	8	6	5
" **West.**	1893	Mrs. M. E. Williams,	Alfred S. Hudson,	'67	'95	7	9	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groveland,	1727	Dea. W. B. Ladd,	Alexander Sloan, jr., *p.*	'97	'97	26	74	100	18	2	2	4	4	2	1	7	2	2
Hadley, 1st,	1659	Martin S Pierce,	Edward E. Keedy, *p.*	'94	'94	64	128	192	42	15	8	23	3	5	0	8	10	1
" 2d, **North,**	1831	O. W. Prouty,	John W Lane, *p c.*	'60	'77	58	81	139	43	4	3	7	0	1	0	1	1	2
Halifax,	1734	M ss M. J. Danforth,	Jesse H. Jones, *p.*	'61	'97	13	37	50	16	1	0	1	2	2	0	4	1	0
Hamilton,	1714	Joseph P. Lovering,	Jesse G. Nichols, *p. c.*	'94	'94	35	69	104	33	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Hampden,	1785	Dea. A. B. Newell,	James B. Sargent, *p. c.*	'97	'97	23	47	70	13	0	3	3	1	1	0	2	0	0
Hanover, West,	1728	Dea. Francis B. Ellis,	Edward D. Disbrow, *p.*	'92	'95	14	49	63	6	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	4
" Four Corners,	1854	Henry B. Barstow,	John Wild, *p.*	'92	'92	16	32	48	9	2	6	8	0	0	1	1	0	3
Hanson,	1748	George W. Severance,	Charles S. Bates, *p.*	'90	'96	10	30	40	4	0	4	4	0	0	2	2	0	0
Hardwick,	1736	Rev. H. Page,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'91	12	39	51	0	1	5	6	1	0	0	1	0	0
" **Gilbertville,**	1867	Alfred H. Richardson,	Dwight C. Stone, *p. c.*	'88	'95	46	73	119	41	0	4	4	3	6	0	9	0	8
Harvard,	1821	Dea. J. W. Bacon,	Charles C. Torrey, *p.*	'55	'86	26	44	70	11	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	1
Harwich,	1747	Dea.W. H. Underwood,	George Y. Washburn, *p.*	'82	'96	14	53	67	8	25	11	36	1	1	0	2	16	1
" **Port,**	1855	Mrs. Emulous Small,	Edward T. Ford, *p. c.*	'97	'97	5	38	43	5	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	3	0
Hatfield,	1671	Dea. James Porter	Robert M. Woods, *p. c.*	'77	'76	95	181	276	33	2	2	4	5	3		8	1	3
Haverhill, Bradford,	1682	Dea. S. W Carleton,	John D. Kingsbury, *p. c.*	'56	'66	142	303	445	43	3	1	4	7	2	0	9	2	5
" West,	1735	Edward Webster,	John N. Lowell, *p. c.*	'77	'80	57	88	145	33	7	2	9	3	1	1	5	6	1
" 4th,	1744	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	7	15	22	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
" Centre,	1833	Charles N. Dyer,	Calvin M. Clark, *p. c.*	'90	'93	116	321	437	43	4	5	9	5	4	0	9	4	5
" North,	1859	George C. How				132	368	500	0	8	9	17	10	13	0	23	6	0
" Riverside,	1884	H. W. Ford,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	22	58	80	9	4	2	6	1	0	0	1	4	0
" Union,	1891	Warren B. Chadwick,	Albert F. Newton,	'77	'98	25	70	95	3	3	1	4	1	2	0	3	1	1
" St. John's, *French*,	'93	Edward Thain	Eugene L. Raiche, *p.*	'97	'96	10	12	22	0	2	1	3	0	3	0	3	1	0
" **Ward Hill,**	1893	Dea. J Harlan Chase,	Charles Clark, *p. c.*	'94	'97	22	48	70	4	3	1	4	1	2	0	3	2	1
Hawley,	1778	Mrs F S. Bissell,	John A. Pogue, *p.*	'96	'96	20	36	56	11	4	0	4	1	2	0	3	3	0
" **West,**	1825	Willis Vincent,	Thomas S. Robie, *p.*	'59	'96	23	32	55	13	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
Hingham,	1847	Mrs. W. A. Vining,	Charles Olmstead, *p.*	'83	'97	36	64	100	15	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0	0
" **Bethany, Nantasket,**	1891	Mrs. Marcia P Beal,	Cecil Harper, *p.*	'79	'92	6	15	21	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Hinsdale,	1795	James Hosmer,	James H. Laird, *p. c.*	'64	'83	71	126	197	63	4	0	4	3	3	0	6	2	0
Holbrook,	1856	**Seth C. Sawyer,**	Warren Low, *p. c.*	'94	'94	78	170	248	35	4	3	7	8	3	0	11	3	1

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. Pol'y.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Grafton,	William Loynd,	134	101	109	62	177	16	20	79	36	31	221	0	580	0	2,297
" Saundersville,	William E. Fowler,	193	130	114	127	33	4	10	10	5	9	0	407	478	0	2,376
Granby,	George F. Eastman,	236	80	104	61	68	167	0	158	69	6	35	46	549	725	1,500
Granville, East,	Wallace H. Sterns,	25	15	45	19	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	917
" West,	Frank L. Ives,	28	18	42	10	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	11	0	385
Great Barrington	Edgar Baldwin,	217	132	210	90	110	62	0	35	108	42	29	716	1,102	0	3,935
" Housatonic,	Thomas E. Brown,	230	158	130	80	205	74	0	208	50	31	0	283	851	0	2,269
Greenfield, 1st,	Mary E. Arms,	86	48	70	27	62	10	0	40	33	10	0	68	223	0	743
" 2d,	George H. Kaulback,	283	234	300	85	219	187	54	316	135	54	0	280	1,275	0	4,800
Greenwich,	Walter H. Glazier,	60	48	50	35	15	0	0	50	0	31	0	63	159	0	700
Groton,	Henry H. Gay,	100	59	110	29	247	130	80	383	71	43	0	180	1,134	500	1,776
" West,	Charles Bixby,	70	40	30	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	314
Groveland,	Charles S. Huntress,	133	86	150	27	49	0	0	0	34	0	0	14	97	7,000	1,500
Hadley, 1st,	J. Archer Crosier,	125	85	98	75	178	18	9	105	41	12	4	15	382	0	1,250
" 2d, North,	Rev. J. W. Lane,	75	46	72	35	9	0	0	10	10	0	0	15	44	0	700
Halifax,	James I. Thomas,	56	25	70	36	42	0	0	7	0	5	0	17	71	0	378
Hamilton,	Joseph P. Lovering,	125	50	160	107	48	0	0	32	0	20	0	31	131	0	3,224
Hampden,	A. B. Newell,	52	26	45	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	676
Hanover, West,	James Richmond,	85	48	80	55	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	19	0	925
" Four Corners,	Israel Hatch,	56	35	50	30	26	3	2	3	4	8	6	3	55	0	738
Hanson,	Miss Malinda A. Carr,	125	49	120	40	24	6	5	10	5	5	5	43	103	0	856
Hardwick,	Frank W. Kimball,	57	25	80	26	19	0	0	5	0	3	0	6	33	0	1,000
" Gilbertville,	Elmer M. Marsh,	234	187	150	56	228	34	58	236	89	56	25	50	776	0	2,061
Harvard,	J. W. Bacon,	100	52	50	50	95	0	0	65	9	5	0	79	253	0	1,050
Harwich,	Cyrenus S. Hunt,	85	48	65	42	11	64	0	51	0	11	0	9	146	0	1,765
" Port,	Mrs. Jehiel Jordan,	103	60	100	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	1,150
Hatfield,	Samuel F. Billings,	183	123	135	81	326	90	34	358	166	79		159	1,212	0	2,109
Haverhill, B'fd,	Arthur W. Johnson,	500	250	475	65	212	15	0	428	47	67	0	80	849	0	3,500
" West,	Dea. F. A. Russell,	142	83	100	69	63	7	44	78	109	33	3	80	417	0	1,426
" 4th,	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	35	21	40	0	4	0	1	65	72	3	0	300	445	0	475
" Centre,	George W. W. Bartlett,	431	230	400	145	239	30	83	197	195	36	0	337	1,117	0	5,000
" North,	William H. Johnson,	329	199	500	144	508	0	0	227	91	0	0	1,257	2,083	0	7,246
" Riverside,	Dea. A. W. Brown,	255	140	212	104	11	0	3	15	36	0	0	25	90	0	1,253
" Union,	Dea. A. C. Brickett,	259	156	200		9	0	0	0	5	0	0	9	23	0	2,905
" St. John's, *Fr.*	Rev. Eugene L. Raiche,	27	15	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	20
" Ward Hill,	Charles Bisbee,	147	74	76	67	9	0	0	0	5	0	0	13	27	0	1,030
Hawley,	B. L. Holden,	60	37	40	17	23	0	0	12	7	10	3	31	86	0	340
" West,	C. C. Fuller,	40	26	37	32	10	2	3	9	3	7	0	0	34	0	350
Hingham,	Alonzo H. Kimball,	m130	70	84	131	61	0	0	15	10	8	0	0	94	0	
" Bethany,	H. O. Beale,	35	25	40		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Hinsdale,	Alden H. Pierce,	163	96	85	135	263	0	0	359	67	3	10	166	868	0	1,659
Holbrook,	Leonard Belcher,	241	126	180	51	140	23	19	130	51	58	4	22	447	61,210	2,530

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Holden,	1742	Miss Nancy Perry,	Thomas E. Babb, *p.*	'69	'92	40	65	105	24	2	1	3	1	1	0	2	2	0
Holland,	1765	Mrs. E. Y. Webber,	Josiah G. Willis, *p.*	'76	'96	8	24	32	15	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Holliston,	1728	Dea. Wm. Daniels,	Nicholas Vander Pyl, *p. c.*	'93	'95	80	182	262	50	8	2	10	9	11	0	20	6	0
Holyoke, 1st,	1799	John K. Judd,	George W. Winch, *p. c.*	'75	'88	89	176	265	13	6	14	20		5	1	7	4	5
" 2d,	1849	Jeremiah N. Hubbard,	Edward Allen Reed, *p. c.*	'71	'86	289	632	921	125	23	21	44	13	22	7	42	9	31
" *French*,	1886	Pierre Germain,	Charles H. Vessot, *p.*	'92	'93	15	13	28	3	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	5
Hopkinton,	1724	Dea. John C. Adams,	Theodore J. Holmes, *p. c.*	'59	'93	76	152	228	68	4	2	6	1	6	0	7	1	1
Hubbardston,	1770	Miss Lizzie N. Smart,				31	36	67	14	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Hudson,	1889	P. H. Ware,	Almon J. Rackliffe, *p.*	'82	'94	30	73	103	14		11	12	1	5	1	7	0	0
Huntington, 1st, Norwich,	1778	Dea. C. H. Kirkland,	Webster L. Hendrick, *p.*	'89	'98	26	43	69	6	3		4	1	2	2	5	3	0
" 2d,	1846	C. W. Jones,	Webster L. Hendrick, *p.*	'89	'94	38	88	126	26	0			0	6	2	8	0	0
Hyde Park,	1863	Arthur H. Burt,	Henry N. Hoyt, *p. c.*	'76	'98	224	459	683	98	3	6	9	8	19	1	28	0	15
" Clarendon Hills,	1880	George Jeffers,	Achilles L. Loder, *p.*	'77	'97	32	55	87	26	0	3	3	1	0	0		0	6
Ipswich, 1st,	1634	Dea. J. H. Cogswell,	Edward Constant, *p.*	'83	'92	33	122	155	22	9	4	13	2	0	0	2	0	0
" South,	1747	Joseph I. Horton,	T. Frank Waters, *p. c.*	'76	'79	32	135	167	25	12	7	19	0	1	0		8	0
" Linebrook,	1749	Dea. J. H. Tenney,	William P. Alcott, *p. c.*	'68	'86	26	28	54	16	1	0		0	1	0		0	0
Kingston,	1828	Mrs. E. R. LaPorte,	Zenas Crowell, *p. c.*	'77	'86	21	63	84	23	3	2	5		0	0	1	2	0
Lakeville,	1725	C. F. Paul, Myricks,	George H. Perry, *p.*	'87	'97	39	35	74	18	0	0	0		0	0	1	0	0
" Union Grove,	1877		Leslie B. Withee, *p.*	'89	'96	1	4	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lancaster,	1839	Horatio Bailey,	Charles S. Haynes, *p. c.*	'94	'96	39	64	103	26	0	2	2	2	1	3	6	0	3
Lanesboro',	1764	W. S. Royce,	[George W. Love, *Meth.*]		'94	3		14	2	0	0	0		0	0	1	0	0
Lawrence, Lawrence st.,	1847	Albert I. Couch,	William E. Wolcott, *p. c.*	'81	'85	125	307	432	100	16	14	30	8	6	0	14	10	14
" South,	1868	John H. Gilman,	Edward A. Chase, *p. c.*	'84	'89	37	90	127	16	1	6	7	1	9	14	24		0
" Riverside,	1878	Richard Shiers,	Henry E. Oxnard, *p. c.*	'94	'96	34	94	128	26	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	7
" Trinity,	1883	Edwin Fletcher,	Frederick H. Page, *p. c.*	'93	'96	126	280	406	64	8	9	7	6	8	0	14	10	4
" United,	1886	Christopher Warburton	Herbert G. Mank,	'89	'98	29	65	94	10		1	2	1	0	0	1	1	1
Lee,	1780	Chas. H. Sabin,	Lyman S. Rowland, *p. c.*	'64	'77	156	277	433	95	7	2	9	10	7	0	17	3	5
Leicester,	1719	J. C. Watson,	David C. Reid, *p. c.*	'84	'94	79	131	210	49	3	1	4	1	1	0	2	1	0
Lenox,	1769	Dea. Henry Sedgwick,	Edward Day, *p. c.*	'80	'90	38	71	109	24	2	0	2	1	5	0	6	2	3
Leominster,	1822	Dea. C. E. Woodward,	George R. W. Scott, *p.*	'68	'93	162	327	489	58	12	18	30	9	3	1	13	8	2
" North,	1874	Mrs. E. G. Hall,	James M. Bell, *p.*	'58	'93	20	51	71	6	4	3	7	1	2	0	3	3	0
Leverett,	1774	Cephas F. Frary,	Rollin L. Hartt, *p.*	'96	'97	61	76	137	45	5	0	5	0	1	0		3	0
" Moore's Corner,	1896	F. S. Colton, N. Lev.	[John C. Wightman, *Lic.*]		'95	20	19	39	1	9	0	9		0	0		8	0
Lexington,	1868	James P. Prince,	Charles F. Carter, *p. c.*	'83	'96	68	136	204	52	3	8	11	2	2	0	4	0	3
Lincoln,	1747	George L. Chapin,	Edward E. Bradley, *p. c*	'93	'93	32	49	81	23	4		5	2	1	0	3		0
Littleton,	1840	John M. Thacher,	Amelia A. Frost, *p. c.*	'94	'95	44	74	18	19	19	5	24		2	0	3	8	0
Longmeadow,	1716	Edward P. Tabor,	Stephen G. Barnes, *p. c.*	'81	'91	46	126	172	28	0	10	10	3	6	4	13	0	4
Lowell, Pawtucket,	1797	Dea. John J. Cotton,	Willis D. Leland, *p. c.*	'80	'93	50	106	156	19	2	4	6	4	1	0	5		3
" 1st,	1826	Dea. Andrew Liddell,				137	395	532	198	17	10	27	6	12	0	18	13	6
" Eliot,	1830	Frank W. Corey,	John M. Greene, *p. c.*	'57	'70	119	298	417	86	1	13	14	6	7	0	13	0	10

Housatonic, *see* Great Barrington. Hyannis, *see* Barnstable.

Indian Orchard, *see* Springfield. Islington, *see* Westwood. Jamaica Plain, *see* Boston. Lanesville, *see* Gloucester. Linden, *see* Malden. Linebrook, *see* Ipswich.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Holden,	T. Earle Babb,	90	65	130	42	98	0	9	30	20	13	0	0	140	0	1,770
Holland,	Dea. Freeman B. Blodgett,	36	20	26	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	18	0	275
Holliston,	George E. W. Brooks,	219	154	250	63	173	18	11	400	114	8	13	104	841	50	2,745
Holyoke, 1st,	Roland T. Oakes,	518	314	340	128	313	383	45	294	134	76	28	1,500	2,773	0	6,324
" 2d,	Alfred H. Morton,	906	647	530	163	1,126	578	1,033	3,608	121	51	57	11,609	18,183	9,548	11,149
" *French*,	Victor Lamoise,	25	15	27	0	0	5	0	25	0	1	0	10	41	0	42
Hopkinton,	J. David Stewart,	225	126	150	63	69	55	30	77	98	72	25	590	1,016	0	2,652
Hubbardston,	C. F. Wyman,	65	35	44	12	10	1	1	52	12	0	0	6	82	0	766
Hudson,	Milton T. Bailey,	200	103	85	43	21	0	0	11	2	0	0	0	34	0	1,100
Huntington, 1st,	James B. Lyman,	70	43	40	25	12	0	0	12	30	2	0	0	56	12	368
" 2d,	D. W. Stowell,	98	48	65	25	33	0	3	15	18	3	0	18	90	0	1,100
Hyde Park,	Joseph K. Knight,	826	413	0	224	263	40	92	241	95	7	30	432	1,200	0	5,198
" Cl. Hills,	Henry L. Johnson,	179	126	0	75	6	2	2	6	4	1	1	40	62	0	
Ipswich, 1st,	Rev. Edward Constant,	178	100	150	79	238	25	32	140	32	20	0	116	603	0	2,450
" South,	Frank T. Goodhue,	162	87	0	59	145	46	60	115	205	45	10	101	727	0	1,529
" Linebrook,	Albert F. Tenney,	40	31	37	27	17	0	6	21	13	5	0	22	84	0	1,250
Kingston,	Miss Fannie B. McLauthlin,	91	40	70	38	111	10	10	33	20	10	6	11	211	0	1,653
Lakeville,	T. P. Paull, Myricks,	70	40	60	12	43	0	0	27	6	8	0	8	92	0	800
" Un. Grove,				17	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Lancaster,	Charles S. Haynes,	125	64	98	31	96	25	25	71	120	30	0	26	393	0	1,525
Lanesboro',	Miss Laura Read,	35	30	9											0	350
Lawrence,	Lonzo S. Crosby,	379	211	350	130	96	13	12	1,133	125	15	30	100	1,524	0	4,800
" South,	Herbert B. Merrick,	274	164	221	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,872
" Riverside,	Rev. Henry E. Oxnard,	215	136	58	36	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	1,038
" Trinity,	Wilbur E. Rowell,	340	212	330	52	117	18	156	346	34	39	0	579	1,289	0	5,187
" United,	D. J. Freeman,	168	130	44	69	34	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	39	0	2,851
Lee,	Edward S. Rogers,	230	171	210	90	972	121	45	644	250	125	0	2,242	4,399	0	3,341
Leicester,	Corwin F. Palmer,	160	90	160	70	339	52	13	455	1,137	17	24	134	2,171	0	2,972
Lenox,	Edward C. Carter,	140	116	80	83	72	97	10	138	400	30	0	58	805	0	2,875
Leominster,	Walter N. Howe,	375	271	270	162	331	16	0	611	46	15	0	1,100	2,119	0	4,552
" North,	C. F. Burrage,	131	79	75	66	38	8	6	33	50	0	8	35	178	0	1,975
Leverett,	C. Hall Beaman,	127	78	80	26	9	0	0	21	5	0	0	24	59	0	665
" Moore's Cor.	F. W. Wrightman,	64	46	50	0	6	0	3	10	0	2	0	10	21	0	868
Lexington,	Allston M. Redman,	200	128	120	81	288	51	112	284	192	54	0	200	1,181	0	4,500
Lincoln,	George L. Chapin,	70	46	80	34	479	0	0	0	298	22	50	0	849	0	1,700
Littleton,	George W. Canney,	86	65	57	87	77	37	7	28	71	8	7	0	235	0	1,110
Longmeadow,	Frank B. Allen,	200	96	118	59	283	86	32	222	62	36	19	546	1,236	0	1,719
Lowell, Pt.,	Charles F. Miles,	187	143	180	93	74	0	14	113	35	13	0	139	388	0	2,200
" 1st,	Justin H. Kimball,	244	177	250	131	134	0	0	95	40	0	0	200	469	0	5,593
" Eliot,	Alvah Sturgess,	430	245	300	164	189	36	13	829	19	18	0	600	1,704	50	6,425

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Lowell, John st.,	1839	Wm. H. G. Wight,	George H. Johnson, *p. c.*	'77	'92	62	147	209	35	3	1	4	5	5	0	10	1	2
" Kirk st.,	1845	Albert L. Thompson,	William A. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'86	'96	163	388	551	175	21	19	40	6	2	0	8	6	5
" High st.,	1846	Francis N. Chase,	Chas. W. Huntington, *p. c.*	'81	'88	73	162	235	40	7	1	8	2	3	2	7	2	1
" *French*,	1877	Auguste Sarre,	Thomas G. A. Coté, *p.*	'71	'95	65	59	124	24	29	1	30	2		0	3	16	19
" Highland,	1884	Willard Everett,	Charles L. Merriam, *p. c.*	'82	'91	88	221	309	61	8	2	10	2	12	0	14	6	5
" *Swed.*,	1885	Alfred Swanson,	Andrew P. Nelson, *p. c.*	'94	'97	25	57	82	8	9	7	16	3		2	6	0	8
" 1st Trinitarian,	[?]	Dea. Daniel A. Eaton,	George F. Kenngott, *p.*	'89	'92	101	282	383	25	26	13	39	6	8	0	14	16	16
Ludlow, Centre,	1789	Rev. E. D. Francis,	Everett D. Francis, *p. c.*	'95	'95	45	85	130	19	6	0	6	3		2	6	2	2
" Union,	1867	Albert A. Gove,	William Thomas, *p.*	'82	'97	28	74	102	11	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0	8
Lunenburg,	1835	Edmund S. Francis,	David Wallace, *p.*	'94	'97	24	63	87	23	1	2	3	2	4	0	6	1	0
Lynn, 1st,	1632	Guilford S. Newhall,	William C. Merrill, *p.*	'84	'96	72	177	249	16	14	15	29	0	4	0	4	6	1
" Central,	1850	Edward A. Perkins,	Albert W. Moore, *p. c.*	'73	'82	109	238	347	51	13	8	21	1	0	16	17	6	2
" Chestnut st.,	1860	George E. Sargent,	George W. Osgood, *p.*	'78	'94	40	146	186	51	7	6	13	2	2	0	4	4	0
" North,	1869	W. Fred Haskell,	Arthur J. Covell, *p. c.*	'90	'98	42	144	186	25	6	2	8	0	11	66	77	6	3
" *Swed.*,	1888	Axel R. Bohlinder,	John A. Johnson, *p. c.*	'92	'88	35	58	93	10	14	2	16	0	2	2	4	0	19
Lynnfield, Centre,	1720	Charles E. Pearson,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'95	19	58	77	19	3	1	4	1		2	4	1	0
" 2d,	1854	Rev. G. E. Freeman,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'95	6	31	37	10	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	2
Malden,	1648	Percy E. Walbridge,	Henry H. French, *p. c.*	'81	'94	239	481	720	79	21	29	50	6	2		19	9	22
" Maplewood,	1874	Frank P. Dunlop,	Walter A. Evans, *p.*	'86	'94	55	123	178	0	17	5	22	4	5	6	15	9	7
" Linden,	1876	William W. Douglass,	J. Chris. Williams, *p.*	'90	'95	19	56	75		1	2	3	1	3		5	0	0
Manchester,	1716	George F. Allen,	Walter H. Ashley, *p.*	'78	'98	59	139	198	9	75	3	78	4	2	3	9	5	2
Mansfield,	1838					89	189	278	43	8	4	12	2	2	0	4	5	2
Marblehead,	1684	Daniel Appleton,	S. Linton Bell, *p. c.*	'77	'84	48	181	229	25	6	0	6	8	2	0	10	3	4
Marion,	1703	Rev. H. L. Brickett,	Harry L. Brickett, *p. c.*	'83	'94	21	61	82	7	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	9
Marlboro',	1656	F. L. Claflin,	Lincoln B. Goodrich, *p. c.*	'93	'96	115	246	361	31	10	3	13	6			18	8	6
" *French*,	1891	Rev. J. L. Loiselle,	Joseph L. Loiselle, *p.*	'95	'95	11	16	27	2	3	0	3	2	0	0	2		6
Marshfield, 1st,	1632	John H. Bourne,	{ Ebenezer Alden, *p. c. em.* / Fred'ic W. Manning, *p. c.*	'42 / '91	'50 / '91	31	65	96	21	0	3	3	2	0	3	5	0	2
" Hills,	1835	Israel H. Hatch,	Alfred De Barritt, *p.*	'95	'97	10	28	38	9	0	2	2	3	2	0	5	0	0
Mattapoisett,	1736	L. L. B. Dexter,	Robert Humphrey, *p.*	'83	'96	17	64	81	22	3	2	5	3		0	4	0	1
Maynard,	1852	John W. Flood,	Thomas C. Jackson, *p.*	'83	'97	55	54	209	65	5	1	6	4	4		9	2	3
Medfield,	1828	Dea. Francis S. Wight,	Leroy M. Pierce, *p.*	'70	'97	26	86	112	38	1	5	6	6	11		18	0	1
Medford, Mystic,	1847	N. A. Dyer,	John Barstow, *p. c.*	'87	'94	131	309	440	45	12	17	29	8	8	7	33	5	1
" West,	1872	Henry Newcomb,	Judson V. Clancy, *p. c.*	'77	'96	67	56	223	38	3	12	15	0	10	0	10	2	8
" Union,	1887	James Donovan,	Isaac Pierson, *p. c.*	'70	'95	24	48	72	7	14	9	23		0	8	9	3	3
Medway, West,	1750	Edgar Woodman,	John F. Crosby, *p.*	'92	'94	48	110	158	18	1	0		2	0	0	2	1	0
" Village,	1838	Rev. R. K. Harlow,	Rufus K. Harlow, *p. c.*	'68	'72	58	137	195	36	1	3	4	8	2	0	10		1
" 3d, West,	1886	A. M. B. Fuller,				8	23	31	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Melrose,	1848	Isaac A. Cochran,	Thomas Sims, *p.*	'75	'97	158	297	455	53	5	13	18	7	21		28	3	8
" Highlands,	1875	Henry Chisholm,	Burke F. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'93	98	222	320	21	21	24	45	2	8	3	13	7	3

Miller's Falls, *see* Montague. Mill River, *see* New Marlboro'.

CHURCHES.	SUND Y SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Lega-cies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Mem-bers.	For-eign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Lowell, John st.,	William H. G Wight,	167	92	175	76	96	0	21	126	42	4	0	72	361	0	4,208
" Kirk st ,	Louis Alexander	350	212	350	79	514	698	2,327	2.679	126	47	121	3,742	10,254	0	10,752
" High st.,	Francis N Chase,	326	162	225	64	259	35	126	722	157	35	81	2,021	3,436	0	5,455
" *French*,	Rev Thomas G. A. Cote,	80	55	50		0	0	0	100	0	0	0	50	150	0	150
" Highl'd,	William T Dole,	418	219	330	173	442	11	10	120	177	28	0	180	968	0	4,400
" *Swed.*,	Carl F. Pihl,	50	42	25	35	8	0	5	8	8	5	0	25	59	0	1,038
" 1st Trin.,	Orrin C. Frye,	636	371	625	250	87	40	46	417	28	16	0	150	784	4,514	6,555
Ludlow, Centre,	Gillen D. Atchinson,	145	84	70	0	60	11	0	50	23	50	0	0	194	0	1,044
" Union,	James Henderson,	109	97	118	40	28	10	0	10	0	40	0	6	94	0	1,350
Lunenburg,	Alphens K. Francis,	90	78	65	0	6	0	0	17	8	0	0	10	41	0	981
Lynn, 1st,	Alfred Crowther,	401	228	160	111	201	16	13	216	142	11	0	360	959	0	4,150
" Central,	Daniel B. Beard,	530	314	200	178	191	15	15	531	30	25	115	1,879	2,811	0	
" Chestnut st.,	J Sidney Stone,	200	131	140	97	83	4	4	89	0	3	3	239	425	0	1,848
" North,	Arthur W. Webber,	223	155	110	103	25	25	0	15	0	0	0	66	131	2,000	4,877
" *Swed.*,	John Lindberg,	55	43	55	40	37	0	6	0	27	0	7	80	157	0	630
Lynnfield, Cen ,	Charles E. Pearson,	102	54	75	34	9	0	10	22	40	0	0	44	125	0	1,185
" 2d,	Fred Jacobs,	100	67	65	35	18	3	0	15	13	0	0	5	54	0	522
Malden,	Clarence O. Walker,	910	520	800	400	428	69	37	724	98	62	12	1,056	2,486	0	9,600
" Maplewood,	Frederick J. Smith,	385	175	240	75	132	0	0	0	0	5	0	55	192	0	3,049
" Linden,	C. M. Plummer,	167	109	96	60	55	0	0	37	0	6	0	4	102	0	4,495
Manchester,	Oliver T. Roberts,	208	139	135	130	87	54	0	97	54	0	0	25	317	0	4,797
Mansfield,	William A. Copeland,	300	200	156	160	76	15	12	78	35	24	0	182	422	0	1,700
Marblehead,	John G. Broughton,	330	186	200	104	143	32	7	107	18	0	5	293	605	0	3,015
Marion,	Stephen D. Hadley,	128	66	115	53	140	292	8	117	89	5	0	78	729	0	2,414
Marlboro',	Elmer D. Howe,	352	220	280	115	376	135	53	462	150	64	40	735	2,015	150	4,072
" *French*,	N Cordeau	61	32	25	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshfield, 1st,	J. Fletcher Barnes,	131	72	110	45	127	29	61	0	125	50	0	4	396	0	1,032
" Hills,	Miss Agnes L. Sherman,	58	36	40	35	10	0	0	8	0	11	0	5	34	0	1,075
Mattapoisett,	J C Te Atzatt,	75	50	100	50	16	5	7	118	8	9	0	12	175	0	1,100
Maynard,	William A Gutteridge,	320	174	200	132	110	100	50	217	100	29	0	400	1,006	0	2,000
Medfield,	S Copeland	95	48	80	45	14	0	0	10	12	0	0	18	54	51	858
Medford, Mystic,	George F Chapin	470	268	376	149	680	39	49	688	148	39	0	280	1,923	0	5,868
" West,	Charles H Hanson,	294	167	225	147	215	14	26	67	51	15	13	472	873	0	3,638
" Union,	Percy H. Hodgman,	171	94	115	77	88	11	12	74	31	13	0	31	260	0	979
Medway, West,	Dea. Carlos Kelsey,	148	98	236	48	18	0	0	8	4	7	0	90	127	0	1,521
" Village,	Charles R. Adams,	123	64	136	26	40	10	0	61	37	11	0	80	239	0	2,128
" 3d, West,		0	0		0	44	0	0	18	150	0	0	0	212	0	
Melrose,	Frank G. Kellogg,	547	350	330	174	206	92	52	477	55	29	13	558	1,482	0	6,300
" Highlands,	Dea. W. W. Mason,	561	299	287	169	147	31	32	90	97	27	22	237	683	0	5,257

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Merrimac,	1726	Richard A. Sargent,	George L. Todd, *p. c.*	'87	'92	138	253	391	53	13	5	18	6	5	0	11	10	2
Methuen,	1729	Chas. H. T. Mann,	Charles H. Oliphant, *p. c.*	'76	'84	88	189	277	40	7	14	21	1	1	0	2	4	6
Middleboro', 1st,	1694	Augustus H. Soule,	George W. Stearns, *p.*	'83	'91	56	109	165	20	8	2	10	3	2	0	5	6	1
" North,	1748	Dea. Percy W Keith,	Herbert K. Job, *p. c.*	'91	'91	43	75	118	24	0	2	2	1	13	0	14	0	1
" Central,	1847	Henry W Sears,	Rich'd G.Woodbridge, *p.c.*	'81	'93	111	251	362	54	26	12	38	3	3	0	6	17	0
Middlefield,	1783	Dea. J McElwain	Herbert A. Yountz, *p.*	'97	'96	30	52	82	30	2	3	5	3	2	2	7	0	0
Middleton,	1729	Miss H S Thompson,				32	72	104	10	1	4	5	1	0	0	1	0	1
Milford,	1741	Willard S Wood,	Webster Woodbury, *p. c.*	'68	'88	65	222	287	61	2	14	16	6	8	0	14	0	1
Millbury,	1747	A. G. Hurd,	George A. Putnam, *p. c.*	'60	'71	40	143	183	56	0	0	0	5	2	0	7	0	6
" 2d,	1827	Ira N. Goddard,	George P. Eastman, *p. c.*	'91	'91	51	135	186	35	1	2	3	6	4	0	10	1	4
Millis,	1714	Dea. J.W. Clark, R'le,	Albert H. Wheelock, *p.*	'88	'93	30	77	107	27	2	2	4	1	2	0	3	2	5
Milton,	1678	A. H.Tucker, Blue Hill,	Henry S. Huntington, *p.*	'66	'88	36	66	102	18	5	4	9	1	2	0	3	0	2
" East,	1843	Dea. F. Kemp,	Albert S. Gilbert, *p.*	'97	'96	11	20	31	1	3	4	7	2	1	0	3	0	6
Monson,	1762	Mrs. C. C. Keep,	Franklin S. Hatch, *p. c.*	'76	'87	71	148	219	33	0	0	0	5	3	0	8	0	4
Montague,	1752	Sanford Marsh,	Martin L. Richardson, *p.*	'60	'91	39	94	133	20	2	1	3	2	2	0	4	2	0
" Miller's Falls,	1872	Mrs. Mary A King,	Dorr A. Hudson, *p.*	'91	'93	10	38	48	11	0	0	0	1	4	2	7	0	1
" Turner's Falls,	1875	Frank N Conant,	Frank N. Merriam, *p. c.*	'92	'97	35	70	105	17	21	6	27	1	5	0	6	8	11
Monterey,	1750	Miss J. A. Townsend,				38	71	109	24	2	0	2	1	5	0	6	2	3
Mt. Washington,	1874	Dea. H. D. Lamson,*a*				2	9	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nantucket,	1728	Miss Lydia M. Folger,	Walcott Fay, *p.*	'84	'97	9	98	107	24	0	2	2	4	8	0	12	1	0
Natick,	1802	Dea. G. L. Bartlett,	Frederick E. Sturgis, *p. c.*	'68	'84	187	455	642	61	3	6	9	7	7	43	57	2	0
South,	1859	Miss A. M. Caswell,	Irving A. Burnap, *p.*	'92	'97	25	43	68	22	0	2	2	3	3	0	6	0	1
Needham,	1857	Joseph Willett,				76	150	226	31	0	5	5	2	1	0	3	0	7
New Bedford, Acushnet,	1696	Frederic B. Hawes,	George W. C. Hill, *p. c.*	'95	'95	18	43	61	12	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	1	0
" North,	1807	William R. Chase,	John A. MacColl *p. c.*	'83	'90	137	372	509	49	5	4	9	7	10	0	17	5	5
" Trinitarian,	1831	James C. Briggs,	Matthew C. Julien, *p. c.*	'79	'72	51	153	204	35	2	2	4	7	5	0	12	2	0
New Braintree,	1754	Dea. George K. Tufts,	Francis H. Boynton *p.*	'63	'95	17	35	52	18	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Newbury,	1635	Dea. John C. Rolfe,	Charles S. Holton *p. c.*	'92	'97	36	90	126	14	0	0	0	2	5	0	7	0	1
" Byfield,	1706	Joseph N. Dummer,	David C. Torrey, *p. c.*	'92	'92	43	82	125	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	0
Newburyport, North,	1768		Charles P. Mills, *p. c.*	'80	'80	112	284	396	73	2	0	2	8	4	0	12	2	1
" Prospect st.,	1793	Charles N. Todd,	Myron O. Patton, *p. c.*	'94	'95	66	164	230	39	8	4	12	2	1	1	4	6	0
" Belleville,	1808	Charles A. Currier,	Daniel T Fiske, *p. c.* Albert W.Hitchcock, *p.c.*	'47 '91	'47 '91	111	239	350	40	15	12	27	5	7	6	18	6	5
" Whitefield,	1850	Arthur Reid,	Frank G. Alger, *p.*	'86	'98	62	166	228	40	6	2	8	0	3	0	3	3	0
New Marlboro', 1st,	1744	Rev. A. W. Field,	John B. Lewis, *p. c.*	'95	'97	11	22	33	0	10	4	14	1	0	0	1	9	0
" Southfield,	1794	H. A. Cook,	John B. Lewis, *p. c.*	'95	'97	20	30	50	4	10	1	11	0	0	0	0	8	0
" Mill River,	1871	Dea. E. W. Rhoades,	John B. Lewis, *p. c.*	'95	'97	19	30	49	10	6	0	6	1	3	3	7	8	0
New Salem,	1845	Mrs. H. S. Herrick, *b*	Albert V. House, *p.*	'94	'94	32	41	73	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Newton 1st, Centre,	1664	Edward L. Allen,	Dan'l L. Furber, *p.c. em.* Edward M. Noyes, *p.c.*	'47 '83	'47 '94	155	246	401	44	13	17	30	7	12	1	20	5	2
" 2d, West,	1781	Julius L. Clarke,	Henry J. Patrick, *p.c. em.* Theo. P. Prudden, *p. c.*	'54 '74	'60 '94	101	252	353	0	0	10	10	3	3	0	6	0	0

a Copake Iron Works, N. Y. *b* N. New Salem.

Neponset, *see* Boston. New Boston, *see* Sandisfield. Mittineague, *see* West Springfield.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Merrimac,	Rev. George L. Todd,	341	141	231	165	44	0	15	59	45	39	10	62	274	1,510	2,707
Methuen,	J. Frank Emerson,	197	115	175	25	582	92	14	254	157	16	2	55	1,172	0	3,000
Middleboro',	Augustus H. Soule,	160	138	130	80	143	12	19	107	15	10	8	51	365	0	1,275
" North,	N. Williams Keith,	124	54	100	47	47	0	23	120	18	0	0	8	216	0	1,566
" Central,	Alonzo F. Ryder,	330	183	350	89	334	40	27	203	44	6	76	185	915	0	4,737
Middlefield,	Henry B. Holmes,	75	39	65	25	4	2	2	5	3	3	0	5	24	1,000	919
Middleton,	H. Erskine Howe,	148	70	95	90	45	4	2	28	5	9	0	20	113	0	1,345
Milford,	W B. Whiting,	349	191	290	102	182	52	34	121	135	116	0	682	1,322	4,860	5,500
Millbury,	Clarence A. Fenner.	104	73	100	50	130	11	21	54	55	25	0	259	555	0	1,891
" 2d,	G. F. Chase,	200	115	135	53	384	124	14	131	27	27	0	500	1,207	0	2,100
Millis,	Evan F. Richardson,	151	64	150	46	27	4	4	60	5	5	0	11	116	0	2,000
Milton,	H. B. Tucker, **Blue Hill,**	h 167	71	110	50	160	47	0	45	65	18	0	0	335	0	1,588
" East,	Frank Kemp,	100	67	100	40	0	0	0	0	15	9	0	25	49	0	1,066
Monson,	Edward F. Morris,	230	140	215	89	366	82	48	338	101	29	16	63	1,043	0	3,400
Montague,	William C. Cummings,	107	58	125	50	40	7	19	94	18	7	0	27	212	2,638	1,240
" Miller's F'ls,	Charles H. Hall,	90	55	125	45	4	2	4	4	2	3	0	17	36	0	816
" Turner's F'ls,	Elmer D. Severance,	288	161	100	36	20	20	25	21	31	0	0	0	117	0	1,850
Monterey,	W. V. Thompson,	128	83	90	45	22	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	28	0	600
Mt. Washington,						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	97
Nantucket,	Mrs. Anna Hussey,	89	61	100	49	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	20	24	0	1,272
Natick,	Frank M. Forbush,	713	401	500	182	396	30	102	100	130	20	15	920	1,713	0	7,224
" South,	Dea. M. V. B. Bartlett,	62	39	45	25	15	0	1	15	0	3	0	0	34	0	1,005
Needham,	Dr. C. C. Patten,	165	103	114	84	40	0	0	28	0	3	0	0	71	0	2,055
New Bedford,	Rev. George W. C. Hill,	100	45	100	62	5	0	0	23	0	4	0	5	37	0	1,825
" North,	David A. Carey,	387	245	416	118	662	47	0	940	100	12	30	1,078	2,869	2,000	6,049
" Trin.,	William N. Bassett,	450	320	300	39	171	35	0	711	9	17	0	5,802	6,745	0	6,300
New Braintree,	Dea. Horatio Moore,	50	21	52	35	26	0	0	27	0	11	0	4	68	0	750
Newbury,	W P Humphreys,	224	118	210	65	84	23	20	148	724	18	0	130	547	0	2,200
" Byfield,	Joseph N Dummer,	110	80	100	70	12	7	8	40	10	7	0	10	94	0	0
Newburyport, N.	John T. Lunt,	323	139	262	95	76	7	0	452	43	0	17	443	1,038	3,600	3,100
" Prospect st.,	Charles A. Bliss,	251	141	150	69	146	2	4	304	28	4	12	255	755	0	2,310
" Belleville,	George A. Dickey,	526	320	440	91	477	33	57	792	123	40	0	300	1,822	0	5,600
" Whitefield,	N. D. Dodge,	150	90	150	65	80	0	0	100	0	0	0	200	380	0	2,400
New Marlboro',	Henry R. Stevens,	37	24	34	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	185
" Southfield,	H. A. Cook,	35	30	26	35	4	0	0	3	4	5	0	10	26	0	400
" Mill River,	E. W. Rhoades,	50	35	90	36	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	651	656	0	400
New Salem,	Rev. Albert V. House,	88	37	85	14	11	0	9	7	8	0	0	0	35	0	640
Newton, 1st, Cen.	Charles E. Kelsey,	280	207	245	140	1,896	1,604	216	2,531	605	227	355	714	8,148	0	8,177
" 2d, West,	Rev. Theodore L. Prudden,	267	200	224	65	1,188	125	94	2,138	441	112	37	659	4,794	0	6,924

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Newton, Eliot,	1845	George Agry, jr.,	William H. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'96	211	404	615	42	23	16	39	12	7	0	19	12	10
" Auburndale,	1850	Henry G. Hildreth,	{ Calvin Cutler, *p. c. em.* / Chas. M. Southgate, *p. c.*	'62 / '70	'67 / '95	127	246	373	80	2	21	23	3	14	0	17	0	2
" North,	1866	Charles A. Worth,	Daniel Greene, *p. c.*	'79	'92	63	113	176	74	5	2	7		2	0	3	2	8
" Newtonville,	1868	Wallace C. Boyden,	John M. Dutton, *p. c.*	'76	'92	106	236	342	62	10	13	23		4	0	11	5	10
" Highlands,	1872	William A. Wood,	Charles E. Havens, *p. c.*	'81	'93	77	153	230	47	10	7		5	3	0	8	2	2
Norfolk,	1839	Rev. Franklin C. Jones,	Edson J. Moore, *p.*	'61	'85	17	36	53	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
North Adams,	1827	Edwin Barnard,	William L. Tenney, *p. c.*	'88	'95	240	384	624	82	6	9	5	5	3	0	8	0	7
Northampton, 1st,	1661	William G. Bassett,	Henry T. Rose, *p. c.*	'70	'92	106	359	465	30	7	4		6	5	0		3	5
" Edwards,	1833	Dea. S. E. Bridgman,				128	323	451	92	9	16	25	6	21		27	3	14
" Florence,	1861	Dea. E. H. Barnard,	Elisha G. Cobb, *p. c.*	'60	'66	93	239	332	50	5	3	8	6	7		14	4	
North Andover,	1834	Daniel W. Carney,	Henry E. Barnes, *p. c.*	'62	'93	102	192	294	88	10	4	14	2	2	0	4	0	6
North Attleboro', Oldtown,	1712	Miss Mary A. Mathias,	John Whitehill, *p.*	'61	'69	21	44	65	14		2	3	3	1	0	4	0	3
" A. Falls,	1874	Miss Ada M. Perry,	Martin L. Williston, *p.*	'70	'97	20	61	81	8		5	6	1	6	5	2		0
" Trinity,	1892	D. Sanford Hall,	Charles A. Ratcliffe, *p.*	'91	'96	24	69	93	17		3	4	0	4	0	4	3	6
Northboro',	1832	Miss E. J. Yates,	Albert D. Smith, *p. c.*	'88	'96	28	74	102	28	0	3	3	3	1	0	4	0	0
Northbridge Centre,	1782	Joshua W. Morse,	James H. Childs, *p.*	'75	'84	26	59	85	22	0		1	0	1	0		0	0
" Whitinsville,	1834	William J. Lane,	John R. Thurston, *p. c.*	'59	'7	77	161	238	46	3	1	4	4	5	0	9	0	11
" Rockdale,	1879	Mrs. H. T. Whitin,	Ernest M. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'97	'97	14	17	31	5	3	2	5	0	0	3	3	2	1
North Brookfield, 1st,	1752	Dea. A. J. Goddard,	John L. Sewall, *p. c.*	'82	'96	118	265	383	67	12	9	21	9	6	0	15	4	4
" Union,	1854	Dea. James Miller,	Joseph J. Spencer, *p. c.*	'91	'91	29	84	113	20	3	0	3	0	7	0	7	0	0
Northfield, East,	1825	Miss Mary I. Dutton,	Cyrus I. Scofield, *p.*	'83	'96	148	237	385	135	30	23	53	2	25	0	27	15	0
North Reading,	1720	Isaac A. Flint,	Eugene E. Colburn, *p.*	'75	'96	29	65	94	16	5	0	5	4	1	0	5	4	0
Norton,	1832	Dea. N. S. Howard,				21	45	66	0	0	3	3		0	1	2	0	2
Norwood,	1736	Herbert M. Plimpton,	Charles F. Weeden, *p.*	'88	'95	98	151	249	31	12	13	25	2	6	0	8	6	8
Oakham,	1767	Dea. Jesse Allen,	Allen A. Bronsdon, *p. c.*	'97	'97	33	79	112	28	0	0	0			0	2	0	0
Orange, North,	1843	Rev. John H. Garman,				7	15	22	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" Central,	1846	F. D. Kellogg,				104	198	302	40	6	7	23	3	6	0	9	13	2
" *Swedish*,	1891	John G. Blanquist,	John M. Henrickson, *p.*	'96	'96	49	48	97	4	7	0	17	0	3	4	7	0	7
Orleans,	1646	Orville W. Crosby,	Everett I. Rackett, *p. c.*	'94	'93	28	110	138	0	0	2	2	5		0	6	0	0
Otis,	1779	Mrs. Mary J. Somes,	[Edward J. Ruliffson, *Lic.*]		'97	20	43	63	8	12	3	15		2	0	3	9	1
Oxford,	1721	Mrs. Emily J. Pratt,	Albert E. Bradstreet, *p.*	'88	'94	37	7	154	31	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
Palmer, Thorndike,	1730	Charles F. Smith,	George M. Gerrish, *p.*	'94	'95	25	47	72	17	0	0	0		0	0	1	0	3
" 2d,	1847	O. P. Allen,				60	133	193	16	5	5	10	3	12	12	27	4	7
" Three Rivers,	1876	Sullivan B. Barnes,	Gardner S. Butler, *p.*	'77	'92	98	106	204	64	5	16	21	0	13	6	19	2	3
Paxton,	1767	Dea. Chas. A. Streeter,				28	69	97	18		1	2	1		0	2	1	0
Peabody, South,	1713	Peter J. Frye,	George A. Hall, *p. c.*	'86	'86	89	223	312	57	3	7	10	9	8	0	17	2	0
" 2d,	1874	Miss Mary Tudbury,	Lewis J. Thomas, *p.*	'78	'98	23	66	89	10	0	4	4	1	4	0	5	0	0
" West,	1891	Frank K. McIntire,	James A. Anderson, *p.*	'89	'95	16	36	52	11	7	0	7		0	0		7	0
Pelham,	1837	Mrs. Lucy Tillson,	[Horace C. Broughton,]		'98	4	8	2		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Packardville, Enfield, '69		D. O. Chickering,	[Horace C. Broughton,]		'98	13	18	31	8	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0

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Newton, Eliot,	A. B. Cobb,	468	306	325	119	5,129	386	512	11,175	959	301	267	5,136	23,865	0	12,787
" Auburndale,	J. Franklin Ryder,	234	214	236	127	3,750	123	106	1,958	510	95	76	474	7,092	0	6,584
" North,	H. M. Lowry,	180	120	80	50	3	0	0	3	4	0	0	20	30	0	1,600
" Newtonville,	Chas. W. Davidson,	306	213	265	108	551	256	102	871	136	47	168	20	2,151	0	11,340
" Highlands,	Seward W. Jones,	303	209	193	90	852	38	0	648	280	57	23	138	2,036	0	4,127
Norfolk,	Dea. Nathan H. Rockwood,	70	30	70	29	14	0	0	30	0	0	0	25	69	500	645
North Adams,	R. A. Thompson,	m465	358	420	53	316	50	49	611	117	50	0	926	2,119	0	5,400
Northampton, 1st	William N. Doane,	252	178	300	89	1,015	104	160	736	517	55		654	3,241	0	6,020
" Edwards,	Rev. Robert H. Life,	300	228	400	64	604	0	94	743	158			391	1,990	0	14,526
" Florence	W. O. Sania,	250	160	200	92	35	46	10	16	9	12	8	248	384	0	1,854
North Andover,	George E. Hathorn,	340	207	125	80	35	288	120	202	58	20	0	709	1,432	0	3,200
North Attleboro'	John Whitehill,	101	73	108	41	21	2	5	7	0	3	0	0	38	0	1,450
" A. Falls,	Martin L. Williston,	183	111	110	34	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	47	55	0	1,362
" Trinity,	Robert G. Semple,	125	67	70	24	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	21	0	1,192
Northboro',	Dea. F. M. Harrington,	190	87	106	31	54	23	10	50	29	12	6	17	201	0	1,184
Northbridge C.,	Frank E. Taft,	78	54	83	54	110	15	11	47	15	5	6	17	226	0	850
" Whitinsville,	Arthur F. Whitin,	332	220	272	87	5,267	1,761	621	2,779	2,393	698	125	2,929	16,573	0	3,339
" Rockdale,	Benjamin W. Brown,	81	32	56	52	35	5	0	29	5	0	0	5	79	0	817
North Brookfield,	Frank S. Bartlett,	290	207	285	151	282	220	84	397	166	31	0	234	1,414	5,350	3,321
" Union,	Edgar H. Grout,	114	69	157	47	0	0	0	20	126	0	0	368	514	0	1,568
Northfield,	Ambert G. Moody,	600	207	150	50	167	20	42	70	0	0	0	0	299	1,000	4,281
North Reading,	T. Milton Robinson,	179	79	100	38	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	12	42	0	1,003
Norton,	Arthur E. Sweet,	65	39	67	31	12	0	52	143	82	0	0	10	299	0	1,575
Norwood,	William A. Williamson,	379	120	300	69	162	22	24	328	187	0	0	186	909	0	4,170
Oakham,	Dea. Horace W. Lincoln,	102	65	125	57	75	15	0	57	40	25	0	4	216	0	1,000
Orange, North,	Henry N. Frye,	63	24	22	12	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	127
Central,	Waldo E. French,	350	198	300	118	315	0	25	277	40	28	0	27	712	0	2,800
Swedish,	Karl Enguall,	118		40	17	70	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	73	73	1,360
Orleans,	Freeman E. Snow,	100	72	130	32	19	0	0	17	45	8	0	153	242	0	1,068
Otis,	Miles T. Whitney,	90	35	107	35	0	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	5	0	285
Oxford,	Dea. D. Milton Howe,	120	65	135	33	196	19	35	202	129	36	15	105	737	0	1,990
Palmer, Thorn'e,	Jason W. Miller,	84	48	80	50	21	7	0	17	0	0	0	29	74	0	1,391
" 2d,	L. H. Gager,	239	160	230	111	227	121	25	254	211	10	10	283	1,141	0	3,661
" Three Rivers,	James H. Trickett,	240	140	92	133	41	0	0	42	0	0	0	3	86	0	1,514
Paxton,	Charles F. Flint,	65	43	85	12	36	0	0	20	0	2	0	0	58	0	714
Peabody, South,	Arthur W. Poole,	300	180		82	650	68	44	408	93	38	0	427	1,728	0	4,072
"	William T. Wolloff,	115	61	150	55	0	0	5	0	0	6	0	22	33	500	1,200
"	A. W. Felt,	80	52	77	42	6	0	6	10	0	6	0	9	37	0	598
Pelham,		12	10	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87
Packardville,	John W. Knight,	40	34	20	15	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	120

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Pepperell,	1747	Walter L. Harrison,	J. Brainerd Thrall, *p.*	'78	'98	82	165	247	48	6	2	8	5	5	0	10	3	0
Peru,	1770	Dea. Jewett H. Geer,	Edson L. Clark, *p.*	'59	'93	24	37	61	21	6	3	9	3	1	0	4	5	1
Petersham,	1823	Dea. Chas. K. Wilder,	Preston R. Crowell, *p.*	'90	'97	3	22	25	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phillipston,	1785	Mrs. Lyman B. Smith,	Preston R. Crowell, *p.*	'90	'97	22	39	61	20	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
Pittsfield, 1st,	1764	Dea. H. A. Brewster,	Wm. V. W. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'93	166	383	549	53	54	15	69	15	31	0	46	18	11
" 2d,	1846	Mrs Leah Gardiner,	Samuel Harrison, *p.*	'50	'72	8	24	32	5	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	1
" South,	1850	Frank E. Pierson,	Isaac C. Smart, *p. c.*	'85	'85	174	291	465	20	30	7	37	3	19	0	22	5	8
" Pilgrim Mem.,	1897	Edwin R. Burdick,	Raymond Calkins, *p. c.*	'96	'97	52	63	115	1	68	51	119	0	4	0	4	10	30
Plainfield,	1786	Dea. Seth W. Clark,	George C. Bliss, *p.*	'95	'96	32	49	81	19	0	1	1	4	2	0	6	0	0
Plymouth, Manomet,	1738	Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,	Haig Adadourian, *p.*	'97	'97	18	38	56	8	0	4	4	3	4	0	7	0	0
" Pilgrimage,	1801	Charles F. Cole,				65	333	398	70	18	7	25	3	2	0	5	6	0
" **Chiltonville,**	1894	Miss L. B. Nickerson,	Frederick B. Noyes, *p.*	'90	'97	10	28	38	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Plympton,	1698	Miss B. W. Sherman,	Ernest C. Davis, *p.*	'94	'94	17	57	74	18	2	0	2	2	1	1	4	2	0
Prescott,	1823	Mrs. E. J. Paige,				16	16	32	4	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Princeton,	1764	Miss Susie A. Davis,	Charles A. White, *p.*	'73	'88	52	126	178	40	2	2	4	5	0	0	5	2	0
Provincetown,	1714	Mrs. Mary N. Lewis,	William F. Skerrye, *p.*	'96	'94	10	49	59	17	1	0	1	3	2	2	7	0	2
Quincy, Bethany,	1832	Ernest D. Gourd,	{ Edward Norton, *p. c. em.* '64 { Edwin N. Hardy, *p. c.* '90		'68 '95	125	225	350	0	23	13	36	3	2	1	6	2	2
" **Wollaston,**	1876	Edward L. Robbins,				49	93	142	0	1	7	8	3	7	0	10	1	3
" **Point, Wash. st.,**	1883	Thos. B. Pollard,				14	38	52	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
" **Atlantic,**	1885	W. T. Cummings,	John W. Whitaker, *p.*	'93	'97	14	38	52	5	1	6	7	0	2	0	2	1	0
" *Swedish,*	1889	Eric Carlson,	[Chas. A. Bjornborn, *Swed. M.*]		'95	53	84	137	5	15	1	16	2	1	10	13	0	28
" Park and Downs,	1897	Rev. Fred'k T. Knight,	Frederick T. Knight, *p.*	'97	'97	11	15	26	0	13	13	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
Randolph,	1731	William D. Leavitt,	Charles A. Hilton, *p. c.*	'71	'93	51	124	175	22	12	2	14	3	0	0	3	12	0
Raynham,	1731	Edward B. King,	Sidney K. B. Perkins, *p.*	'60	'87	13	34	47	0	1	1	2	3	0	1	4	1	0
" North,	1875	Willard M. Copeland,	Sidney K. B. Perkins, *p.*	'60	'87	6	20	26	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Reading,	1849	Frank W. B. Pratt,				126	331	457	76	11	9	20	10	1	6	17	9	2
Rehoboth,	1721	Miss E. B. Pierce,	Charles B. Wathen, *p.*	'83	'96	54	90	144	52	17	2	19	6	1	0	7	14	0
Revere, 1st,	1828	George A. Dalrymple,	Walter S. Eaton, *p. c.*	'92	'92	60	104	164	35	2	9	11	1	8	0	9	0	7
" Beachmont,	1881	R. T. Kimball,	E. S. J. McAllister, *p.*	'91	'96	16	37	53	0	3	21	24	3	7	11	21	1	3
Richmond,	1765	Henry L. Salmon,	T. Clair Luce, *p. c.*	'85	'91	39	72	111	4	15	2	17	1	1	0	2	13	0
Rochester, 1st,	1703	John S. Ryder,	John H. Quint,	'98	'98	14	41	55	16	7	3	10	1	0	0	1	3	0
" North,	1753	George H. Randall,	Leslie B. Withee, *p.*	'89	'96	11	15	26	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" E., W. Wareham,	1887	George P. Morse,	Alonzo T. Lamb, *p.*	'93	'96	31	46	77	18	6	3	9	1	2	0	3	4	0
Rockland,	1813	Joshua S. Smith,	Fred Allen, *p*	'74	'95	96	194	290	47	2	8	10	8	5	3	16	1	0
Rockport, 1st,	1755	Calvin W. Pool,	Israel Ainsworth, *p. c.*	'80	'91	51	167	218	20	14	0	4	7	2	7	16	6	4
" Pigeon Cove,	1874		Frank E. Drake, *p. c.*	'97	'97	7	30	37	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
" *Swedish,*	1892	John W. Landergren,	[Peter A. Johnson, *Lic.*]		'96	17	18	35	1	2		3	0	2	4	6	0	1
Rowley,	1639	Benjamin S. Mighill,	Samuel B. Cooper, *p.*	'87	'92	39	117	156	32	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0
Royalston,	1766	Dea. Frank W. Adams,	Francis J. Fairbanks, *p. c.*	'64	'93	35	71	106	30	2	3	5	3	1	0	4	2	0
" South,	1837	Dea. Jeremiah A. Rich,			'95	19	40	59	20	0	2	2	1	3	0	4	0	0
Rutland,	1727	Dea. Wm. C. Temple,	Sidney Crawford, *p.*	'70	'93	79	116	195	50	2	5	7	3	4	1	8	2	1

Rockdale, *see* Northbridge. Roxbury, *see* Boston. Saundersville, *see* Grafton.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Lega-cies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Mem-bers.	For-eign.	Ed'n.	Ch. Bd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Pepperell,	Lyman C Blood,	207	106	225	30	111	32	29	33	46	0	0	77	328	538	1,516
Peru,	Dea. Jewett H. Gew,	50	35	35	30	28	0	0	3	5	0	0	0	36	0	150
Petersham,	Dea. Clinton Bohanon,	30	20	17		15	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	20	0	198
Phillipston,	Lyman B. Smith,	37	25	33	21	7	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	18	0	414
Pittsfield, 1st,	Charles W. Power,	m475	313	475	101	807	814	1,985	1,098	358	84	50	2,461	7,657	3,000	9,285
" 2d,	Mrs. Leah Gardiner,	45	12	30	35	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	4	0	204
" South,	Edward Tolman,	289	139	175	144	74	15	15	40	20	13	20	1,500	1,697	0	3,500
" Pilgrim M.,	Rev. Raymond Calkins,	200	135	90	45	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	32	0	1,500
Plainfield,	Dea. James A. Winslow,	88	44	75	30	6	0	0	8	8	0	0	0	22	0	460
Plymouth, Man.,	Seth S. Bartlett,	60	30	86	26	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	600
" Pilgrimage,	William B. Welch,	340	175	400	154	275	12	16	202	66	34	0	175	780	0	3,300
" Chiltonville,	Mrs. Clark Finney,	31	20	50	11	40	5	7	50	10	11	6	0	129	0	1,027
Plympton,	Miss Alice C. Bisbee,	70	38	120	37	26	2	1	16	19	3	0	18	85	25	790
Prescott,	George F. Allen,	27	16	35	28	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	300
Princeton,	Wm. Roper, jr., E. Hubbardston	m145	76	180	36	407	0	10	107	84	8	55	135	806	0	1,500
Provincetown,	James E. Rich,	75	40	72	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	2	12	0	953
Quincy, Beth.,	Ernest W. Branch,	450	282	400	110	145	36	54	293	55	70	0	902	1,555	0	5,107
" Wollaston,	N. G. Nickerson,	209	121	0	76	270	0	56	497	72	0	0	713	1,608	0	4,000
" Wash'gton st.,	Charles H. Sherburne,	130	80	100	30	0	0	12	0	15	0	0	5	32	0	1,583
Atlantic,	Charles F. Merrick,	126	75	75	39	0	0	0	30	0	34	0	0	64	0	1,240
" *Swedish*,	Charles Leander,	108	100			15	0	10	99	0	0	0	65	189	0	1,035
" Pk. & Downs,	Levi H. Millbury,	133	120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Randolph,	M. W. Baker,	151	76	100	70	162	47	0	204	385	107	0	125	1,030	0	4,000
Raynham,	Rev. Sidney K. B. Perkins,	71	36	70	14	22	13	0	17	12	6	0	3	73	3,000	650
" North,	William Palmer,	41	23	71	14	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	6	0	350
Reading,	A. R. Shepardson,	475	294	325	210	294	171	65	522	117	0	32	702	1,903	0	4,240
Rehoboth,	Henry T. Horton,	130	60	80	38	14	0	3	5	8	6	0	10	46	0	1,100
Revere, 1st,		201	111	250	67	21	1	0	3	12	0	0	66	103	0	2,400
" Beachmont,	E. C. Anderson,	150	90	0	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	1,126
Richmond,	A. G. Kilts,	123	66	68	71	102	3	6	40	45	15	0	35	246	0	1,750
Rochester, 1st,	George B. Haskell,	39	25	75	26	66	11	0	36	0	0	0	10	123	500	950
" North,	Edward E. Reynolds,	30	25	22	20	2	0	0	12	0	0	0	1	15	0	440
" East,	Mrs. I. F. Barrows,	100	58	55	48	0	0	11	41	0	2	0	175	229	0	536
Rockland,	C. E. Rice,	425	263	270	75	75	10	11	50	30	7	62	118	363	200	3,800
Rockport, 1st,	Henry C. Davis,	200	138	225	88	41	9	16	92	8	27	9	221	423	0	
" Pig. Cove,	Thomas Whigham,	50	30	75	34	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	0	
Swedish,	Charles Anderson,	56	50	0	21	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	
Rowley,	Willard P. Smith,	116	71	89	50	81	0	0	46	19	0	9	0	155	0	1,625
Royalston,	Frank W. Adams,	113	69	85	46	54	8	0	50	9	0	0	70	191	0	1,348
" South,	Alfred R. Hale,	48	25	46	21	9	0	5	44	0	2	0	8	68	0	493
Rutland,	Walter A. Hunter,	180	89	120	75	55	0	0	68	0	0	0	7	130	0	1,350

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Salem, Tabernacle,	1735	Ezra L. Woodbury,	DeWitt S. Clark, *p. c.*	'68	'79	86	291	377	31	6	11	17	6	4	1	11	4	3
" South,	1735	Charles H. Haywood,	James F. Brodie, *p. c.*	'82	'89	62	197	259	50	5	4	9	4	6	0	10	1	2
" Crombie st.	1832	Henry J. Pratt,	John W. Buckham, *p. c.*	'88	'90	49	158	207	27	3	4	7	5	2	1	8	1	4
Sandisfield,	1756	Mrs. Sarah J. Hawley,				10	32	42	17	0	0	0	2	3	2	7	0	0
Sandisfield, New Boston,	1874	Hiram A. Ryder,				10	30	40	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Sandwich,	1638	Dea. S. R. Bourne,	William H. Woodwell, *p.*	'73	'89	1	92	133	10	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0
Saugus,	1732	John E. Stocker,	John C. Labaree, *p.*	'63	'93	1	42	53	13	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	3	1
" **Cliftondale,**	1888	Mrs. A. B. Smith,	W. Sherman Thompson, *p. c.*	'91	'96	15	67	82	8	9	5	14	1	9	0	10	6	5
Scituate,	1639	Miss M. F. Perry, S. Cen.	Seelye Bryant, *p. c.*	'90	'96	26	61	87	5	4	8	12	0	1	0	1	2	3
Seekonk,	1888	Mrs. James Knapp,	Hiram E. Johnson, *p.*	'59	'97	12	12	24	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sharon,	1741	Dea. S. W. Billings,	Almon J. Dyer, *p. c.*	'86	'97	39	81	120	19	0	11	11	6	2	0	8	0	0
Sheffield,	1735	Dea. D. Boardman,	Evarts W. Pond,	'95	'96	39	02	141	21	5	1	6	0	3	0	3	4	14
Shelburne,	1770	Dea. L. G. Alvord,	Joseph A. Goodrich, *p.*	'96	'96	70	22	192	26	5	0	5	6	0	0	6	5	1
" **Falls,**	1850	Charles H. Ball,				46	135	181	27	0	1	1	10	1	30	41	0	3
Sherborn,	1685	Dea. L. Coolidge,	Edmund Dowse, *p. c.*	'38	'38	33	80	113	37	2	2	4	7	1	0	8	0	2
Shirley,	1828	Rev. Joseph Torrey,	Joseph Torrey, *p.*	'60	'93	32	70	102	22	0	7	7	1	1	0	2	0	0
Shrewsbury,	1723	Charles O. Green,	Edward A. Lathrop, *p.*	'95	'95	26	78	104	8	3	2	5	4	0	0	4	3	0
Shutesbury,	1742	Dea. Nath'l A. Briggs,	[Arthur J. Wyman, *Lic.*]		'96	20	42	62	18	0		1	5	0	0	5	0	0
Somerset,	1861	William H. Marble,	Thomas F. Norris, *p.*	'79	'94	8	36	54	27	0		0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Somerville, 1st,	1855	G. A. Southworth,	Robert W. Wallace, *p. c.*	'72	'97	103	225	328	55	13	6	19	6	26	12	44	9	13
" Broadway,	1864	Frank E. Hodgkins,	Horace H. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'94	14	234	375	36	32	17	49	3	8	0	11	14	5
" West,	1874	Jacob H. Lowery,	Peter MacQueen, *p. c.*	'91	'93	101	205	306	0	15	13	28	1	9	0	0	5	5
" Prospect Hill,	1874	S. Gardner Higgins,	Edward S. Tead, *p. c.*	'78	'84	122	238	360	40	5	15	20	3	5	0	8	3	6
" Winter Hill,	1883	Edwin A. Stone,	Charles L. Noyes, *p. c.*	'81	'82	72	145	217	12	7	7	14	3	5	3	11	2	15
" Highland,	1894	George T. Failey,	George S. Anderson, *p.*	'91	'94	37	72	109	4	14		25	0	5	0	5	3	4
Southampton,	1743	Henry L. Parsons,	John Cowan, *p.*	'75	'97	59	107	166	27	8	8	16	3	10		3	0	0
Southboro',	1831	H. A. McMaster,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'93	26	65	91	32	0	6	6	3	3	0	6	0	0
" **Southville,**	1865	Miss Annie E. Pearl,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'95	5	29	44	8	2		3	2	0	0	2	2	0
Southbridge,	1801	F. C. Goulding,	Willis A. Hadley, *p. c.*	'78	'97	78	35	213	50	0	5	5	4	19	0	23	0	2
South Hadley,	1733	Calvin Preston,	Arthur B. Patten, *p. c.*	'94	'97	76	201	277	62		0	1	6	9	0	15	0	2
" **Falls,**	1824	Dea. Arthur N. Chapin,	Richard L. Swain, *p c.*	'84	'94	76	186	262	65	2	0	2	4	9	0	13	1	5
Southwick,	1773	Edward Gillette,	Harry O. Hannum, *p. c.*	'96	'96	28	5	79	10	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
Spencer,	1744	Dea. Geo. H. Marsh,	Sherman W. Brown, *p. c.*	'93	'93	124	244	368	51	5	1	6	5	11	0	16	2	9
Springfield, 1st,	1637	Erdman B. Foth,	Frank L. Goodspeed, *p. c.*	'87	'94	313	715	1028	144	32	66	98	18	24	2	44	13	12
" Olivet,	1833	James B. Roberts,	Luther Hart Cone, *p. c.*	'55	'67	75	233	308	62	5	2	7	3	12	16	31	3	7
" South,	1842	William A. Lincoln,	S. G. Buckingham, *p. c. em.* Philip S. Moxom, *p. c.*	'37 '71	'47 '94	151	328	479	80	17	16	33	6	2	0	8	7	5
" North,	1846	Ralph P. Alden,	F. Barrows Makepeace, *p. c.*	'73	'88	157	329	486	73	2	16	18		8	3	8	2	4
" Ind. Orchard,	1848	William Neild,	William T. Hutchins, *p. c.*	'76	'92	70	111	181	40	8	1	9	4	5	0	9	3	1
" Hope,	1876	William V. Gilman,				234	413	647	59	31	34	65	6	22	56	85	18	8
" *French*,	1886	J. W. Witty,	Thomas S. St. Aubin, *p. c.*	'93	'97	14	11	25	3	1	2	3		5	0	6		4
" Eastern av.,	1888	Fred B. Miller,	Richard H. Bosworth, *p. c.*	'82	'94	64	103	167	18	5	6	11		10	13	24	3	3
" Emmanuel,	1888	Rev. David L. Kebbe,	David L. Kebbe, *p. c.*	'91	'95	21	45	66	7	2	7	9	5	10	0	15		4

Saxonville, *see* **Framingham.** **Scotland,** *see* **Bridgewater.** **Southfield,** *see* **New Marlboro'.** **Southville,** *see* **Southboro'.**

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Salem, Tab'cle,	Frederick A. Fuller,	558	369	300	192	576	189	79	922	193	161	55	207	2,382	0	
" South,	Frank H. Sargent,	322	223	252	136	634	40	38	796	110	24	0	745	2,387	0	
" Crombie st.	Arthur F. Smith,	158	96	160	55	250	0	0	200	150	0	0	448	1,048	0	3,000
Sandisfield,	Burton J. Stratton,	25	25	32	10	0	0	0	6	0	3	0	0	9	0	150
Sandisfield,	John Northway,	30	20	18		0	0	5	10	0	0	0	0	15	0	263
Sandwich,	E. S. Talbott, M. D.,	103	54	59	37	75	0	0	23	12	5	5	20	140	0	950
Saugus,	John E. Stocker,	121	77	90	36	86	0	0	65	19	0	0	29	199	0	984
" Clift'd'e,	William F. Sawyer,	182	98	140	69	46	5	5	45	10	10	0	60	181	0	2,500
Scituate,	Dea. John H. Young,	90	57	99	40	75	0	0	15	5	0	0	0	95	0	2,167
Seekonk,	David S. Peck,	81	40	40	25	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	5	12	0	283
Sharon,	Dea. S. W. Billings,	150	83	90	50	60	28	0	189	69	0	0	20	366	0	1,100
Sheffield,	Dea. R. F. Little,	93	54	100	61	66	10	11	138	19	9	0	4	257	0	1,500
Shelburne,	Zerah H. Fiske,	160	104	85	76	168	5	22	109	80	41	5	51	481	0	1,288
" Falls,	E. J. Stockwell,	175	126	167	58	164	10	52	36	23	14	8	111	418	0	1,584
Sherborn,	E. C. Barber,	m120	67	100	60	30	0	7	75	12	3	0	75	202	0	1,250
Shirley,	Erwin H. Livermore,	118	47	65	90	19	0	8	40	13	10	0	3	93	0	1,200
Shrewsbury,	Rev. E. A. Lathrop,	144	65	117	65	91	0	0	26	28	0	33	171	349	0	2,400
Shutesbury,	Dea. N. A. Briggs,	34	23	47	14	0	8	0	31	0	0	0	0	39	0	260
Somerset,	Dea. Wm. H. Marble,	78	44	69	25	40	0	2	9	0	0	0	0	51	0	750
Somerville, 1st,	G. A. Southworth,	464	243	280	108	228	13	8	206	32	5	0	690	1,182	938	3,591
" Broadway,	Charles W. Colman,	463	282	300	125	340	18	21	472	21	18	9	1,248	2,147	0	12,000
" West,	E. R. Hubbard,	327	180	400	96	33	0	0	33	33	0	0	722	821	0	3,600
" Prospect Hill,	C. S. Clapham,	453	321	300	139	71	0	46	107	65	32	0	895	1,216	0	5,920
" Winter Hill,	John Herbert,	224	155	205	70	211	0	130	128	60	30	10	850	1,419	0	5,500
" Highland,	Herbert L. Jones,	265	146	200	67	8	0	0	11	0	4	0	251	274	0	3,986
Southampton,	Edward K. Parsons,	132	67	80	38	104	0	9	65	52	0	15	46	291	0	1,400
Southboro',	H. A. McMaster,	80	50	50	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	86	0	1,300
" Southville,	Dea. W. A. Ward,	27	15	29	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	271
Southbridge,	L. E. Sibley,	183	78	112	50	71	2	0	120	58	15	0	51	317	0	1,850
South Hadley,	J. Lyman Griswold,	205	116	170	76	492	0	19	282	229	0	0	429	1,451	0	2,300
" Falls,	Henry E. Judd,	292	214	275	120	194	1,213	24	73	242	19	11	518	2,294	0	3,404
Southwick,	W. B. Harding,	90	42	67	47	7	4	0	16	0	0	0	8	35	0	765
Spencer,	Dr. E. W. Norwood,	515	273	440	98	599	48	79	905	119	82	0	586	2,418	0	5,316
Springfield, 1st,	Milton A. Dixon,	1,018	484	780	97	1,400	3,000	60	1,600	128	23	0	4,000	10,211	2,700	11,000
" Olivet,	James W. Nourbourn,	278	179	225	92	585	45	50	372	46	19	24	115	1,256	0	2,792
" South,	Norman W. Carkhuff,	268	185	250	45	1,790	1,024	108	1,145	539	86	110	2,567	7,369	500	12,680
" North,	Walter A. Brown,	369	249	230	114	371	121	26	655	138	25	0	5,556	6,892	0	5,885
" Indian Orch.,	James Greenaway,	257	158	145	122	112	109	26	35	64	0	0	294	640	0	1,645
" Hope,	Z. W. Kemp, PH. D.	763	507	550	145	480	1,666	20	2,496	28	124	0	861	5,675	0	7,932
" *French*,	Gustave Michaud,	28	18	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	335
" Eastern av.,	D. F. Graham,	285	220	125	75	5	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	27	0	1,915
" Emmanuel,	Rev. David L. Kebbe,	198	147	100	58	13	0	0	21	3	3	2	18	60	0	1,058

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Springfield Park,	1889	John Woods,	Allen E Cross, *p. c.*	'92	'96	48	89	137	19	8	19	27	1	5	0	6	0	1
" St. John's,	1890	John H. Burr,	Frank W Sim *p.*	'91	'97	42	72	114	11	27	9	36	2	0	0	2	22	1
" *Swedish*,	1891	Fred Anderson,	John E. Thunberg, *p.*	'92	'97	17	33	50	1	7	0	7	0	0	3	3	0	0
" Faith,	1894	Arthur Parks Smith.	Harry C Meserve *p. c.*	'95	'93	35	96	131	5	7	15	22	1	0	0	1	4	3
Sterling,	1852	Rev George H. Pratt,	George H. Pratt, *p.*	'66	'93	18	56	74	7	0	0	0	4	0	4	8	0	0
Stockbridge,	1734	Charles A. Bidwell,	Charles S Rich *p*	'96	'96	72	139	211	35	2	6	8	3	1	0	4	2	4
" Curtisville,	1824	Dea. John W. Ford,	[Edward C Sedgwick, *Lic.*]		'97	35	50	85	12	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Stoneham,	1729	Dea. O. W. Richardson,	Charles E. Beals *p. c.*	'94	'97	95	203	298	69	38	12	50	5	10	0	15	27	2
Stoughton,	1799	Miss J. G. Carpenter,	Caleb L. Rotch *p.*	'79	'93	32	87	119	24	2	0	2	4	4	0	8	2	1
Sturbridge,	1736	Rev. A. Holbrook,	Augustus M Rice, *p.*	'73	'93	31	67	98	28	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Sudbury, South,	1640	Dea. F. F. Walker,	Clarence W Rouse, *p. c.*	'90	'94	55	103	158	25	1	2	3	6	2	0	8	0	1
Sunderland,	1718	Miss A. T. Montague,	Edward P Butler *p. c.*	'74	'89	96	140	236	27	16	1	17	0	4	1	5	5	2
Sutton,	1720	C.S.White, Wilkinsonv'e	John C. Hall *p. c.*	'90	'91	46	97	143	41	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	3
Swampscott,	1846	Barnet W. Redfern,	D. Emery Burtner,	'90	'98	19	94	113	13	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	2
Taunton, West,	1637	Mrs. W. Chase, jr.,				15	33	48	13	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	0
" Trinitarian,	1821	Chester E. Walker,	Francis A. Fate, *p. c.*	'94	'98	79	199	278	36	5	3	8	13	2	0	15	2	7
" Winslow,	1837	Dea. Geo. W. Andros,	{ S.Hopkins Emery, *p.c.em.* { T Clayton Welles, *p. c.*	'37 '72	'46 '92	92	212	304	26	4	6	10	1	2	0	3	3	6
" East,	1853	Charles W King,	Halah H. Loud, *p.*	'97	'97	16	37	53	14	5	0	5	0	0	6	6	5	0
" Union,	1868	Frank R. Knox,	Frank L. Luce, *p. c.*	'95	'97	53	152	205	26	7	3	10	5	8		13	3	1
Templeton,	1832	John M. Brown,	Gabriel B. Kambour, *p. c.*	'93	'93	28	60	88	22	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0
" Baldwinville,	1874	Miss M. B. Raymond,	John W Hurd, *p. c.*	'79	'89	45	77	122	18	8	4	12	4	1	0	5	7	2
Tewksbury,	1735	Mrs. C. J. Taylor,	Elbridge C. Whiting, *p.*	'91	'96	42	84	126	27	0	2	2	1	3	0	4	0	5
Tolland,	1797	Oliver E. Slocum,	Samuel B. Andrews, *p.*	'68	'96	16	25	41	5	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Topsfield,	1663	Miss A. F. Ferguson,	Francis A. Poole, *p. c.*	'93	'94	44	96	140	28	12	2	14	4	0	0	4	10	3
Townsend,	1734	Miss Emma F. Bates,				44	129	173	36	2	0	2	6	3	0	9	2	4
Truro,	1711	Dea. Daniel E. Paine,	William Harris, *p.*	'76	'95	10	22	32	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
" North,	1840	Mrs. Benj. Coan,	[Arthur H. Scudder, *Lic.*]		'96	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tyngsboro',	1868	Dea. John P. Coburn,	Sarah A. Dixon, *p.*	'97	'97	16	39	55	16	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	7
Upton,	1735	Miss Olive M. Johnson,	Alexander Wiswall, *p. c.*	'79	'92	45	169	214	43	2	4	6	8	2	0	10	1	0
Uxbridge,	1730	Dr. W. L. Johnson,	Frank Louis Bristol *p. c.*	'75	'81	30	108	138	27	2	4	6	3	2	0	5	3	2
Wakefield,	1645	John W White,	Albert P. Davis, *p. c.*	'94	'94	153	320	473	94	46	22	68	8	5	0	13	36	4
Walpole,	1826	S Eugene Bentley,	Frank C. Putnam, *p. c.*	'94	'94	51	148	199	40	3	2	5	5	1	0	6	2	8
" East,	1877	Miss Sarah Pettee,	Benjamin F. Perkins, *p.*	'65	'97	12	20	32	5	0	5	5	0	0	2	2	0	0
Waltham,	1820	C. W. Durgin,	Charles E. Harrington, *p.c.*	'74	'94	183	410	593	168	50	12	62	6	11	1	18	17	4
" *Swedish*,	1892	Alfred Anderson,	Carl A. Lundgren, *p.*	'93	'96	17	36	53	7	1	6	7	1	0	8	9	0	1
Ware,	1751	Miss M. R. Howard,	Edward L. Chute, *p.*	'80	'96	15	48	63	11	3	0	3	2	1	0	3	2	1
" East,	1826	Henry K. Hyde,	Austin B. Bassett, *p. c.*	'87	'91	132	323	455	66	5	9	14	1	10	0	11	2	14
" *French*,	1887																	
Wareham,	1739	Harriet E. Smith,	J. Herbert Yeoman, *p.*	'77	'95	19	47	66	17	1	0	1	3	1	0	4	0	0
Warren, 1st,	1743	E. F. Wood,				123	204	327	94	8	11	19	4	5	1	11	8	5
" West,	1866	Dea. Milton Dickson,				7	18	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warwick,	1839	Dea. Edw. C. Chase,	Edgar F. Blanchard, *p.*	'94	'94	19	34	53	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Springfield, Park,	Charles Jacobus,	245	92	120	94	165	24	29	207	59	39	2	49	574	0	5,694
" St. John's,	Edward A. Treadwell,	113	65	40	96	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	975
" *Swedish*,	Fred Anderson,	32	25	16	21	105	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	0	187
" Faith,	Enos E. Penney,	179	90	125	0	23	0	0	62	7	0	15	50	157	0	2,000
Sterling,	Arthur S. Wilder,	125	55	74	53	37	5	0	68	23	8	0	84	225	0	1,145
Stockbridge,	Clarence H. Perry,	173	103	90	62	119	76	10	57	159	22	22	345	810	0	3,289
" Cur.	Dea. Frank A. Palmer,	99	54	50	27	71	5	20	55	17	13	0	0	181	0	650
Stoneham,	Dr. Burleigh C. Gilbert,	386	175	300	122	79	11	16	271	26	12	3	261	679	0	3,090
Stoughton,	Emerson H. Wilkins,	200			60	5	0	0	3	0	0	0	35	43	0	
Sturbridge,	Dea. John F. Hebard,	91	49	72	37	117	0	0	20	15	5	0	28	185	0	1,338
Sudbury,	L. F. Richardson,	140	70	95	35	45	10	14	135	8	16	35	0	263	50	2,004
Sunderland,	Frank O. Williams,	204	112	102	83	172	40	31	198	88	44	0	83	656	0	1,645
Sutton,	C. S. White,	143	65	146	31	34	16	12	93	9	45	1	66	276	500	1,009
Swampscott,	Barnet W. Redfern,	167	88	182	40	74	5	8	68	8	20	3	37	223	0	1,762
Taunton, West,	Lewis P. Luther,	52	30	75	23	15	0	5	3	8	3	0	6	42	0	1,800
" Trin.,	Frederick E. Austin,	300	151	240	133	1 121	101	1,020	1 146	135	86	0	458	4,070	0	5,221
" Winslow,	Henry W Atkins,	431	247	275	121	202	143	212	591	185	45	7	500	1,885	0	12,233
" East,	Charles W King,	44	21	50	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	429
" Union,	William F Rose,	264	174	250	98	32	12	13	14	6	14	0	140	231	0	2,864
Templeton,	James O. Winch,	83	47	50	54	12	8	13	19	51	13	0	0	116	0	850
" Baldwinville,	H. H. Hall,	282	190	112	75	62	0	0	33	0	30	5	250	380	0	1,400
Tewksbury,	Dea. Enoch Foster,	121	75	135	51	105	13	13	36	17	25	0	38	247	0	1,400
Tolland,	Mrs. Watson I Hale,	45	27	30	0	0	0	0	25	0	3	0	0	28	792	216
Topsfield,	Albert M. Dodge,	110	74	125	60	54	0	4	39	25	6	0	74	202	0	
Townsend,	A. S. Howland,	176	21	150	71	103	12	5	58	40	26	0	72	316	0	1,420
Truro,	Jno. B. Dyer,	50	30	35	0	18	0	0	19	8	0	0	3	48	0	325
" North,	Mrs. Sarah F. Smith,	64	40	40	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	15	0	550
Tyngsboro',	Mrs. J. Louise Blanchard,	101	59	50	77	0	0	5	0	0	12	0	10	27	0	850
Upton,	A. P. W liams, W. Upton,	244	117	250	75	57	9	11	28	20	35	9	80	249	0	1,500
Uxbridge,	Rev. Frank L. Bristol,	268	159	184	90	197	20	20	79	19	16	7	22	380	0	1,710
Wakefield,	John W White,	519	321	325	189	422	135	40	329	100	101	0	166	1,293	0	5,600
Walpole,	Gilman F Allen,	215	138	150	80	96	12	19	315	55	57	15	0	569	0	2,347
" East,	J. Lewis Boyden,	121	30	75	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	781
Waltham,	Marshall J. Mosher,	564	308	430	158	175	62	60	192	90	38	75	210	902	0	6,000
" *Swedish*,	W. Landström	42	40	0	27	0	0	8	2	0	0	0	3	13	0	
Ware,	Edward L. Chute,	77	39	53	21	75	9	7	26	18	9	0	8	152	0	593
" East,	Henry E. Fisher,	382	277	310	130	994	263	71	918	339	92	0	431	3,108	0	4,900
" *French*,																
Wareham,	John Freeman,	163	65	80	70	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	8	64	0	1,653
Warren, 1st,	William H. Warren,	289	153	250	77	368	55	60	593	151	40	48	55	1,370	0	2,700
" West,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warwick,	Dea. W. E. Blackmer, No. Orange,	48	32	38	28	13	0	0	10	0	0	0	3	26	0	400

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Watertown,	1855	J. Henry Green,	Edward C. Porter, *p. c.*	'84	'89	106	197	303	44	7	9	16	1	10	0	11	3	7
Wayland,	1828	Frederick H. Fowler,	[T. A. Wilson, *Meth.*]	'89	'96	15	31	46	15	2	0	2	2	3	8	13	1	0
Webster,	1838	Edwin L. Spalding,	Henry A. Blake, *p.*	'76	'88	75	150	225	20	5	1	6	5	0	0	5	3	3
Wellesley,	1798	Wm. H. Blood, jr.,	Edward H. Chandler, *p. c.*	'92	'97	86	192	278	69	0	12	12	5	13	0	18	0	6
" **Hills,**	1847	T. Wallace Travis,	Parris T. Farwell, *p. c.*	'83	'95	38	81	119	14	2	6	8	4	0	0	4	2	3
Wellfleet,	1723	Dea. Simeon Atwood,	Dorrall Lee, *p.*	'74	'97	45	112	157	48	0	4	4	4	0	0	4	0	0
" **South,**	1833	Winslow Paine,				17	35	52	10	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Wendell,	1774	Mrs. Ellen L. Baker,	Edward P. Seymour, *p.*	'92	'96	16	20	36	9	2	7	9	1	1	0	2	1	0
Wenham,	1663	Benj. H. Conant,	[Morris H. Turk, *Lic.*]		'98	24	53	77	20	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Westboro,	1724	Otis K. Newton,	Merle A. Breed, *p.*	'93	'95	139	295	434	120	10	9	19	10	7	0	17	5	3
West Boylston,	1796	Dea. E. B. Rice, Greendale,	Samuel A. Harlow, *p.*	'82	'96	31	72	103	17	1	0	1	5	3	0	8	1	0
West Brookfield,	1717	Charles E. Smith,	Charles W. Loomis, *p.*	'88	'95	54	139	193	28	0	3	3	2	5	0	7	0	5
Westfield, 1st,	1679	Rev. J. H. Lockwood,	John H. Lockwood, *p. c.*	'71	'79	119	356	475	53	9	15	24	7	3	0	10	9	23
" 2d,	1856	Miss J. E. Strong,	Lyman H. Blake, *p. c.*	'67	'81	130	296	426	71	3	7	10	5	4	0	9	2	11
Westford,	1828	Leonard W. Wheeler,	Elijah H. Roper, *p.*	'97	'97	19	59	78	26	0	0	0	2	3	1	6	0	1
Westhampton,	1779	Frederick H. Judd,	Arthur C. Townsend, *p. c.*	'91	'91	91	127	218	33	2	2	4	3	3	1	7	1	8
Westminster,	1742	James B. Wood,	John W. Lees, *p.*	'70	'95	51	107	158	22	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	1	0
West Newbury, 1st,	1698	A. L. Moore,																
" 2d,	1731	Miss Emily A. Bailey,	Charles F. Clarke, *p.*	'92	'98	7	94	111	28	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Weston,	1891	Mrs. F. L. Fuller,	Robert F. Gordon, *p.*	'75	'91	9	17	26	6	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Westport,	1858	Mrs. S. E. Gammons,	John Graham, *p.*	'90	'94	1	32	43	13	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	3
West Springfield,	1698	Dea. J. M. Smith,	Sidney K. Perkins, *p.*	'80	'93	39	82	121	23	1	3	4	5	2	3	10	0	1
" **Mittineague,**	1850	E. H. Shepard,	Alpheus M. Spangler, *p. c.*	'88	88	93	138	231	48	42	13	55	2	5	0	7	29	13
" Park st.,	1871	Ethan Brooks,				55	117	172	20	5	8	13	2	1	0	3	0	1
West Stockbridge, Centre,	1789	Mrs. H. A. Roberts,	Walter W. Curtis,	'72	'90	5	16	21	7	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
" Village,	1833	Cyrus W. Sprague,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'83	28	69	97	18	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Tisbury,	1673	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Horace Parker, *p.*	'61	'92	32	74	106	21	3	3	6	1	0	0	1	3	0
Westwood, **Islington,**	1878	Marcus Haye,	Warren F. Bickford, *p.*	'76	'91	5	17	22	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weymouth, 1st, **Heights,**	1623	Wm. E. Humphrey,	Robert R. Kendall, *p. c.*	'78	91	25	71	96	23	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	0
" Old South, **South,**	1723	Alfred O. Crawford,	Henry C. Alvord, *p. c.*	'79	86	42	106	148	35	2	1	3	3	7	0	10	2	2
" and Braintree,	1811	Miss Jessie Macgregor, *a*	Henry S. Snyder, *p.*	'85	'97	28	122	150	0	0	0	0	5	0	3	8	0	0
" Union, **South,**	1842	S. A. Vining,	Frank E. Butler, *p.*	'87	'96	50	125	75	33	1	4	5	3	1	0	4	1	5
" Pilgrim, **North,**	1852	Dea. Wilson E. Beane,	Thomas H. Vincent, *p.*	'87	'97	46	93	139	0	2	4	6	2	1	0	3	0	0
" **East,**	1860	Charles B. Cushing,	Daniel Evans, *p. c.*	'91	'91	80	186	266	45	10	10	20	1	2	0	3	10	0
Whately,	1771	Charles H. Waite,	George L. Dickinson, *p. c.*	'76	'90	56	99	155	26	3	1	4	6	3	0	9	3	0
Whitman,	1807	B. F. Peterson,	Frank S. Hunnewell, *p. c.*	'88	'91	81	76	257	27	20	8	28	4	5	2	11	15	6
Wilbraham,	1741	Dea. Francis E. Clark,	Martin S. Howard, *p. c.*	'56	'68	50	79	129	47			2	3	3	0	6		0
" **North,**	1886	Edwin W. Wall,	Henry B. Mason, *p. c.*	'92	'96	24	45	69	14	4	2	6	0	2	0	2		2
Williamsburg,	1771	Dea. Henry W. Hill,	John Pierpont, *p.*	'88	'97	68	143	211	31	6	2	8	7	6	0	13	3	4
" **Haydenville,**	1851	Dea. H. C. Smith,	George H. Buck, *p.*	'94	'94	41	105	146	29	1	0		5	0	0	5		0
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	Carlton G. Smith,	R. A. Robinson,	'85	'97	103	223	326	95	4	0	4	3	5	0	8	0	0
" College,	1834	O. M. Fernald,				11	9	20	0	1		2	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	For. Miss.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Watertown,	Orlando W. Dimick,	238	133	175	65	215	203	0	631	169	0	0	907	2,125	0	3,491
Wayland,	William S. Lovell,	40	23	40	23	13	0	0	0	0	5	0	19	37	0	1,300
Webster,	J. Evarts Hitchcock,	242	158	162	78	213	30	40	256	60	25	57	100	781	0	2,400
Wellesley,	Charles E. Fuller,	240	155	110	119	172	11	10	108	100	0	75	41	517	0	8,582
" Hills,	T. Wallace Travis,	138	89	136	82	1,208	14	10	156	36	13	0	81	1,518	0	3,139
Wellfleet,	Fred. W. Snow,	100	59	94	40	12	0	0	0	0	10	0	15	37	0	1,300
" South,	Miss Nellie S. Paine,	45	22	30	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	8	13	0	300
Wendell,	Fred E. Davis,	63	33	55	61	10	1	1	15	2	4	0	9	42	0	469
Wenham,	Fred A. Williams,	125	60	120	39	25	10	20	32	47	40	0	44	218	125	990
Westboro,	Ira M. Beaman,	255	170	300	118	284	27	26	508	160	60	21	189	1,285	0	3,495
West Boylston,	Herbert A. Holmes,	74	43	120	36	76	4	3	133	130	12	0	130	488	0	1,824
West Brookfield,	Myron Richardson,	150	88	200	61	28	60	0	34	46	0	0	223	391	0	1,750
Westfield, 1st,	Herbert Lyman,	475	339	345	108	797	175	23	938	59	92	16	2,050	4,150	2,000	4,670
" 2d,	Frank C. Parker,	303	171	370	174	183	14	18	452	175	41	11	547	1,441	0	4,816
Westford,	Houghton G. Osgood,	100	59	82	38	38	0	0	11	17	0	0	6	72	0	1,420
Westhampton,	Henry A. Parsons,	174	83	105	58	191	49	10	167	90	25	6	49	587	0	1,200
Westminster,	Edward C. Damon,	130	88	90	37	74	0	5	25	80	0	0	50	234	0	1,400
W. Newbury, 1st,																
" 2d,	Robert L. Smith,	172	77	158	47	12	0	0	8	0	17	0	51	88	0	959
Weston,	John C. Macdonald,	40	17	29	18	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	35	42	0	620
Westport,	Mrs. N. A. Parris,	86	49	90	27	45	0	0	98	28	0	0	19	190	0	889
W. Springfield,	Harry L. Brown,	110	57	75	29	74	127	13	90	56	28	0	40	428	0	2,300
" Mittineague,	Frank O. Scott,	225	161	120	46	89	0	15	77	24	22	0	36	263	0	2,070
" Park st.,	Nelson Sherburne,	97	83	110	0	218	0	4	178	48	7	16	13	484	0	1,548
W. Stockbridge,	Mrs. N. S. Patterson,	18	30	35	0	0	0	0	10	0	4	0	0	14	0	175
" Village,	William N. Bartlett,	127	78	75	68	56	10	16	25	19	17	7	7	157	0	1,162
West Tisbury,	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	70	45	57	45	12	0	0	0	0	7	0	31	50	0	613
Westwood,	W. F. Bickford,	48	29	33	22	6	0	0	5	7	1	0	2	21	0	475
Weymouth, 1st,	Dea. B. F. Richards,	75	38	74	30	173	10	0	29	34	12	17	30	305	0	1,698
" Old South,	Matthew R. Loud,	163	96	130	49	83	14	15	100	32	0	6	50	300	2,485	2,030
" and Braint'e	Ralph W. Loud,	128	72	200	61	40	0	0	18	0	15	0	122	195	0	2,000
" Un., South,	Louis A. Cook,	220	130	175	43	361	70	36	61	31	12	101	100	772	0	3,675
" Pilgrim,	Charles L. Seabury,	180	78	170	25	99	0	12	21	14	0	0	7	153	0	2,360
" East,	Charles D. Canterbury,	260	159	220	128	150	25	30	85	30	0	117	186	623	0	3,255
Whately,	H. S. Higgins, East Whately,	140	69	150	38	38	0	0	0	0	29	0	31	98	6,000	1,000
Whitman,	J. Lewis Tilson,	597	261	300	142	34	11	11	57	62	7	38	305	525	25	3,987
Wilbraham,	Ethelburt Bliss,	97	73	75	22	25	0	13	39	10	0	0	20	107	300	1,346
" North,	Joseph M. Perry,	56	38	37	42	12	2	2	9	7	9	1	57	99	0	1,078
Williamsburg,	Frank C. Richards,	179	80	110	46	169	0	3	47	25	3	0	13	260	0	7,850
" Haydenville,	T. S. Purrington,	135	87	120	44	54	15	6	27	25	9	0	103	239	0	1,200
Williamsto'n, 1st,	George B. Waterman,	158	101	150	33	523	41	0	679	84	0	0	385	1,712	0	2,634
" College,						382	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	382	0	0

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Dl.	L.	Dc.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Williamstown, **South,**	1836	Kate L. Torrey,	[George P. Merritt, *Lic.*]		'96	14	37	51	11	6	4	10	2	0	0	2	4	0
" White Oaks,	1868	Mrs. Mary R. Hunter,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*]		'96	28	60	88	22	8	0	8	1	2	0	3	6	5
Wilmington,	1733	Chester W. Clark,	Elijah Harmon, *p. c.*	'67	'85	35	81	116	20	2	17	19	1	2	0	3	1	1
Winchendon, 1st,	1762	Mrs. L. E. Jones,	Gustavus W. Jones, *p. c.*	'69	'91	22	29	51	14	9	0	9	1	1	0	2	4	0
" North,	1843	Rev. Davis Foster,	Davis Foster, *p. c.*	'55	'67	72	173	245	40	1	1	2	2	1	0	3	1	2
Winchester,	1840	Rev. Edwin B. Palmer,	D. Augustine Newton, *p. c.*	'82	'89	208	365	573	84	2	15	17	5	6	0	11	2	13
Windsor,	1773	Howlett C. Cleveland,	George Sterling,	'74	'97	12	22	34	10	0	3	3	0	4	0	4	0	0
Winthrop,	1896	Chas. H. Goodwin, jr.,	Arthur Truslow, *p. c.*	'96	'96	11	34	45	4	4	18	22	1	0	0	1	2	7
Woburn,	1642	Dea. Jos. G. Pollard,	Daniel March, *p. c., em.* Doremus Scudder, *p. c.*	'45 '85	'76 '95	210	407	617	98	50	16	66	5	7	0	12	14	9
" **North,**	1849	Dr. J. P. Bixby,	George H. Tilton, *p.*	'73	'95	45	85	130	16	13	6	19	1	3	0	4	3	1
" *Scandinavian,*	1884	Barnard Peterson,	Carl J. Larson, *p. c.*	'95	'97	37	54	91	14	20	0	20	1	4	4	9	0	5
" **Montvale,**	1892	Dea. Wm. H. Huber,				10	19	29	0		3	3	1	0	1	2	0	0
Worcester, 1st,	1719	Munroe Murphy,	Arcturus Z. Conrad, *p. c.*	'85	'90	305	634	939	0	39	41	80	19	14	0	33	15	4
" Central,	1820	Clinton Alvord,	Daniel Merriman, *p. c.* Edw. M. Chapman, *p. c.*	'68 '90	'78 '93	135	296	431	26	2	9	11	14	4	12	30	1	2
" Union,	1836	Francis E. Kimball,	John E. Tuttle, *p. c.*	'83	'96	237	524	761	128	19	47	66	16	21	0	37	12	13
" Summer st.,	1865	Dea. Chas L. Crover,	Orange C. Bailey, *p*	'85	'94	42	76	118	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	1
" Plymouth,	1869	J. N. Greene,	Archibald McCullagh, *p.c.*	'71	'90	283	493	776	0	10	9	19	5	13	0	18	2	8
" Piedmont,	1872	Herbert L. Wheeler,	Willard Scott, *p. c.*	'78	'98	258	447	705	84	3	0	3	5	28	0	33	1	3
" *Swedish,* 1st,	1880	Victor Sohlberg,	August L. Anderson, *p.*	'86	'94	138	182	320	6	50	7	57	2	16	5	23	0	17
" Pilgrim,	1885	Horace Hobbs,	Alexander Lewis, *p. c.*	'90	'96	192	382	574	15	51	36	87	4	14	10	28	23	6
" Park,	1887	Charles M. Smith,	Iuman L. Willcox, *p. c.*	'89	'91	62	163	225	31	5	11	16	4	5	1	10	5	5
" Covenant,	1889	Miss E. Dewey,	John E. Hurlbut, *p.*	'75	'90	29	60	89	21	3	6	9	0	1	0	1	2	0
" Hope,	1889	Robert Hamill,	Ellsworth W. Phillips, *p. c.*	'91	'91	64	120	184	9	23	11	34	1	6	21	28	11	23
" Lake View,	1890	Dea. John G. Logan,	John H. Matthews, *p.*	'91	'97	25	45	70	15	5	8	13	1	2	0	3	4	0
" Belmont,	1890	Henry M. Brownell,	William B. Oleson, *p.*	'77	'94	49	89	138	0	2	4	6	3	2	1	6	2	0
" Bethany,	1891	Charles H. Hill,	Albert G. Todd, *p.*	'90	'93	28	66	94	31	1	3	4	0	1	0	1	1	0
" *Armenian,*	1892	Hachadoor Avakiar,	[Hachadoor Benneyan, *Lic.*]			17	9	26	0	3	6	9	0	0	0	0	0	1
" Immanuel,	1893	Dea. Chas. H. Putnam.	George S. Dodge, *p. c.*	'72	'94	51	67	118	35	3	5	8	1	7	0	8	1	0
" *Swedish,* 2d,	1894	A. J. Johnson,	John Udd, *p. c.*	'96	'96	68	80	148	3	29	2	31	2	7	0	9	0	3
Worthington,	1771	Miss Estelle Cole,	Edward C. Camp *p.*	'94	'94	42	101	143	32	4	3	7	5	4	1	10	2	2
Wrentham,	1692	Charles E. Brown,	Edward C. Hood, *p.*	'74	'92	43	120	163	24	20	2	22	5	1	0	6	16	0
Yarmouth,	1639	A. H. Eldridge, 2d, *a*	John J. Walker, *p. c.*	'94	'97	24	105	129	21	0	2	2	7	2	0	9	0	0
" **West,**	1840	Miss Abbie B. Crowell,	Andrew H. Mulnix,	'98	'97	7	8	15	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2

a **Yarmouth Port.** Whitinsville, *see* Northbridge. Wollaston, *see* Quincy. Woods Holl, *see* Falmouth.

CHANGES from last *Year-Book's* list of churches: *Added,* — Boston, Baker; Brockton, Wendell av. and Lincoln; Clinton, *German;* Lowell, 1st Trinitarian; Pittsfield, Pilgrim; Quincy, Park and Downs. *Omitted,* — Blackstone, Millville; Franklin, South. *Names changed,* — Baldwinville is restored to Templeton, from which it was transferred by an error; Bradford and Ward Hill are transferred to Haverhill; Islington, Dedham, is now in Westwood.

CHURCHES: 282 with pastors installed by council; 252 with pastors otherwise inducted; 8 with supplies; 56 vacant (including 24 supplied by licentiates or ministers of other denominations). Total, 598.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. Bd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Williamstown, So'h.	George P. Merritt,	55	47	70	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	350
" White Oaks,	Wm. R. Stocking,	134	72	98	48	22	0	0	14	9	14	0	13	72	0	278
Wilmington,	Maurice A. Buck,	140	88	100	45	25	3	5	0	99	15	0	13	160	0	1,523
Winchendon, 1st,	George B. Stone,	60	48	50	24	55	0	14	27	25	0	0	10	131	50	430
" North,	Dea. Henry S. Allen,	279	149	200	69	372	50	60	225	290	5	0	400	1,402	0	2,550
Winchester,	Clement W. Currier,	458	253	353	95	1,339	286	162	962	462	185	80	1,018	4,494	0	7,418
Windsor,	C. B. Goodell,	50	34	80	41	10	0	0	16	0	0	0	2	28	0	370
Winthrop,	George S. Freeman,	85	55	90	15	33	0	0	76	0	10	0	41	160	0	1,224
Woburn,	John R. Carter,	679	405	630	180	1,345	357	74	719	176	229	15	5,463	8,378	0	7,659
" North,	B. F. Kimball,	211	130	125	108	69	16	11	32	40	21	0	25	214	0	2,200
" *Scand.*,	A. J. Simonson,	90	52	40	30	42	0	9	25	10	5	0	9	100	0	1,447
" Montvale,	Dea. William H. Huber,	65	55	60	70	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	520
Worcester, 1st,	Charles D. Nye,	800	434	850	260	424	211	50	1,392	300	0	252	900	3,592	0	15,000
" Central,	U. W. Cutler,	573	341	425	76	516	39	82	2,013	156	44	51	4,636	7,537	1,000	8,750
" Union,	Daniel C. Turner,	579	284	518	98	3,943	3,550	73	3,404	447	75	52	2,353	13,879	0	14,307
" Summer st.,	Edward L. Smith,	130	83			0	0	0	30	0	0	0	46	76	0	1,839
" Plymouth,	John A. Tatman,	490	288	420	90	737	5,705	204	1,594	389	75	0	5,076	13,780	0	15,555
" Piedmont,	C. Henry Hutchins,	610	338	450	141	819	884	0	2,520	314	45	2	1,942	6,526	0	12,734
" *Swed.*, 1st,	Eric Ljungguist,	392	310		90	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	100	0	4,709
" Pilgrim,	Benjamin F. Joslin,	756	468	550	227	421	130	152	417	143	25	289	1,157	2,734	0	11,821
" Park,	Charles M. Smith,	291	169	250	120	90	44	0	288	0	0	0	0	422	0	4,608
" Covenant,	Henry L. Scribner,	236	114		33	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	50	60	400	1,528
" Hope,	Frank A. Thompson,	297	205	180	130	159	0	0	154	33	11	0	63	420	0	2,000
" LakeView,	Frank W. Barker,	m166	87	100	97	12	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	54	0	1,235
" Belmont,	John A. Sherman,	291	174	123	119	16	0	0	30	0	0	0	50	96	0	2,500
" Bethany,	Fred L. Moore,	125	76	75	70	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	40	0	1,721
" *Armenian*,	Yeahazar Sarkisian,	40	30	25	18	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	20	50	0	900
" Immanuel,	John G. Murdock,	175	128	125	92	100	0	0	64	14	11	0	74	263	0	1,324
" *Swed.*, 2d,	August Nordgren,				43	50	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	70	0	0
Worthington,	Milo R. Bates,	130	75	88	35	58	2	2	12	18	8	2	1	103	0	879
Wrentham,	Nathan H. Fales, Pondville,	206	105	150	131	43	0	8	41	10	10	7	108	227	0	1,871
Yarmouth,	Miss Martha W. Howes,	75	48	130	40	62	5	5	108	61	9	5	22	277	0	1,300
" West,	Isaiah Crowell,	28	20	25	0	2	0	0	3	3	0	0	4	12	0	285

MINISTERS: 291 pastors installed by council; 235 pastors otherwise inducted; 6 supplies; 256 others. Total, 788.

CHURCH MEMBERS: 35,828 males; 77,133 females. Total, 112,961, including 17,985 absent. Gain, 1,738.

ADDITIONS: 3,912 by confession; 3,180 by letter. Total, 7,092.

REMOVALS: 1,828 by death; 2,462 by dismissal; 748 by discipline. Total, 5,038.

BAPTISMS: 1,860 adult; 1,990 infant.

IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 124,247. Gain, 2,690. Average, 72,968.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Number, 544; 39,784 members.

FAMILIES: 500 churches reporting (560 last year), 86,379. Gain, 1,507.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: 581 churches reporting (581 last year): Foreign, $134,339; Education, $42,757; Church Building, $18,496; Home, $175,130; A. M. A., $40,603; Sunday School, $13,732; Ministerial Aid, $6,794; Other, $177,622. Total, $609,473. Decrease, $49,078.

BENEVOLENT LEGACIES: $161,474.

HOME EXPENDITURES: 568 churches reporting (566 last year), $1,629,399. Increase, $41,956.

ORGANIZATION: Twenty-five Conferences, united in THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

SUMMARIES.

THE CONFERENCES.		CHURCHES.					MEMBERS.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPTISMS.	
Name.	Year of Organization.	Churches.	With P. C.'s	With P.'s	With other Supplies.	Unsupplied.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.
Andover,	1859	28	19	6	1	2(1)	1,986	4,535	6,521	1,357	219	181	400	99	108	18	225	106	164
Barnstable,	1828	23	4	13	0	6(4)	384	1,179	1,563	285	41	30	71	50	20	2	72	28	9
Berkshire, N.,	1867	18	7	4	3	4(2)	1,262	2,336	3,598	507	236	132	368	53	82	2	137	75	70
" S.,	1860	19	4	7	2	6(2)	698	1,419	2,117	377	88	34	122	31	34	12	77	59	44
Brookfield,	1821	22	11	9	0	2	991	2,170	3,161	661	48	53	101	52	85	1	138	26	52
Essex, N.,	1828	27	17(+1)	8	0	2	1,527	3,631	5,158	657	168	71	239	70	64	9	143	112	26
" S.,	1827	37	26	7	0	4(2)	1,645	4,492	6,137	877	280	122	402	106	96	104	306	163	88
Franklin,	1843	29	4	23	0	2(2)	1,271	2,366	3,637	640	159	79	238	72	94	46	212	80	40
Hampden,	1850	47	31(+1)	16	0	0	3,098	6,386	9,484	1,568	292	328	620	131	229	142	502	162	189
Hampshire,	1865	17	7	10	0	0	1,099	2,524	3,623	564	62	57	119	72	94	8	174	31	48
" E.,	1860	16	2	11	0	3(1)	1,082	1,775	2,857	678	68	45	113	57	61	1	119	32	21
Mendon,	1858	12	4	7	0	1	596	1,587	2,183	424	54	58	112	43	34	3	80	38	28
Middlesex, S.,	1828	21	12	8	0	1(1)	1,169	2,613	3,782	687	63	66	129	73	83	55	211	33	44
" Union,	1853	23	7	14	1	1(1)	1,224	2,459	3,683	531	138	87	225	66	69	24	159	52	70
Norfolk,	1827	37	18	15	1	3(3)	1,934	4,125	6,059	706	295	229	524	115	124	40	279	145	139
Old Colony,	1856	17	5	11	0	1	596	1,487	2,083	323	67	42	109	34	35	0	69	44	19
Pilgrim,	1830	14	4(+1)	10	0	0	278	915	1,193	209	43	42	85	28	14	8	50	25	12
Suffolk, N.,	1861	28	20	6	0	2	2,588	5,610	8,198	1,134	324	326	650	120	300	84	504	128	243
" S.,	1860	28	15	11	0	2	2,498	5,275	7,773	1,215	255	255	510	86	199	44	329	87	217
" W.,	1873	25	19(+4)	4	0	2	2,977	5,863	8,840	1,611	282	292	574	122	222	11	355	100	108
Taunton,	1849	24	10	12(+1)	0	2	997	2,328	3,325	471	92	70	162	62	71	19	152	52	108
Woburn,	1848	23	12(+1)	9	0	2	1,939	4,008	5,947	838	296	222	518	78	117	50	245	140	99
Worcester,	1852	31	11(+1)	17	0	3(2)	2,676	5,136	7,812	842	279	278	557	124	166	60	350	103	108
" N.,	1827	16	6	8(−1)	0	2(1)	615	1,272	1,887	308	28	31	59	30	31	2	63	21	8
" S.,	1828	15	7	6	0	2(2)	686	1,630	2,316	515	35	45	80	54	30	3	87	18	35
Associated with R. I.,		1				1	12	12	24										
Total,		598	282	252	8	56 (24)	35,828	77,133	112,961	17,985	3,912	3,180	7,092	1,828	2,462	748	5,038	1,860	1,990

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Name.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. Association.	Sunday Schools.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Andover,	$4,427	$1,596	$3,155	$8,784	$2,046	$448	$249	$9,513	$30,218	$7,564	$99,988
Barnstable,	499	85	41	546	194	105	16	504	1,990	200	18,528
Berkshire, N.,	5,107	2,447	2,245	5,021	1,552	369	212	6,280	23,233	4,000	39,049
" S.,	1,764	464	125	1,336	1,036	316	58	4,411	9,510	0	21,954
Brookfield,	3,331	1,032	378	3,709	1,312	452	73	2,232	12,519	5,850	34,857
Essex, N.,	3,073	237	299	3,456	1,293	306	55	3,992	12,711	12,100	54,248
" S.,	5,364	1,235	637	6,618	2,029	701	297	8,948	25,829	15,025	66,493
Franklin,	2,016	422	391	1,692	691	353	80	1,171	6,816	9,711	36,714
Hampden,	9,692	9,068	1,697	14,038	2,610	960	462	32,488	71,015	16,040	125,892
Hampshire,	3,185	425	436	2,755	1,399	229	55	2,062	10,546	12	46,780
" E.,	2,541	315	112	2,276	935	145	89	983	7,396	725	18,668
Mendon,	852	108	111	881	595	275	46	1,506	4,374	5,411	24,048
Middlesex, S.,	2 958	440	392	2,979	1,438	365	284	4,339	13,195	2,250	49,870
" Union,	2,153	393	284	2,956	953	346	70	2,684	9,839	1,038	44,675
Norfolk,	3,361	439	398	3,579	1,785	601	435	4,960	15,558	66,820	172,508
Old Colony,	1,652	442	90	2,507	298	81	114	7,484	12,668	2,500	34,971
Pilgrim,	818	67	102	417	254	143	23	361	2,185	85	16,221
Suffolk, N.,	8,199	854	741	9,788	1,900	1,275	273	10,313	33,343	5,293	126,185
" S.,	10,884	2,798	944	15,279	3,379	830	306	7,023	41,443	0	123,462
" W.,	34,320	4,275	1,958	54,809	5,004	2,544	2,136	25,695	130,741	1,000	148,825
Taunton,	4,695	1,189	1,612	7,335	1,120	452	17	5,618	22,038	3,800	58,877
Woburn,	6,240	1,295	708	5,500	1,736	882	194	10,744	27,299	0	83,892
Worcester,	9,042	10,776	672	13,586	3,619	421	790	18,351	57,257	1,400	136,480
" N.,	1,144	299	146	1,102	593	132	9	1,329	4,754	50	19,683
" S..	7,022	2,056	822	4,181	2,832	1,001	451	4,631	22,996	600	26,531
Associated with R. I.,											
Total,	$134,339	$42,757	$18,496	$175,130	$40,603	$13,732	$6,794	$177,622	$609,473	$161,474	$1,629,387

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Name.	Members.	Av. Attendance.	Families.	Y. P. S. C. E.	
				No.	Mem's.
Andover	6,568	4,101	4,940	26	2,171
Barnstable	1,721	989	1,490	16	658
Berkshire, N.	3,560	2,333	2,467	16	1,156
" S.	1,851	1,237	1,452	15	828
Brookfield	3,153	1,880	2,707	18	1,100
Essex, N.	5,676	3,064	4,968	24	1,655
" S.	8,176	4,876	5,331	35	3,023
Franklin	4,051	2,213	2,925	28	1,251
Hampden	10,037	6,166	6,989	39	2,787
Hampshire	2,738	1,693	2,288	15	855
" E.	2,034	1,183	1,454	14	786
Mendon	2,180	1,256	1,786	11	858
Middlesex, S.	3,989	2,297	2,853	21	1,277
" Union	3,624	2,250	2,428	22	1,400
Norfolk	8,548	4,558	5,130	33	2,745
Old Colony	2,387	1,468	2,057	17	892
Pilgrim	1,328	718	1,454	14	611
Suffolk, N.	10,377	5,994	6,329	28	2,761
" S.	10,387	5,677	5,146	27	2,954
" W.	7,461	4,627	4,347	20	1,998
Taunton	4,277	2,545	2,989	22	1,175
Woburn	7,397	4,248	5,288	23	2,583
Worcester	8,163	4,775	5,858	30	2,412
" N.	1,981	1,240	1,557	15	805
" S.	2,513	1,544	2,146	15	1,043
Associated with Rhode Island	70	34			
Total	124,247	72,968	86,379	544	39,784

SUMMARIES OF CHANGES DURING THE YEARS MENTIONED.

YEARS.	Churches. Number		Members.		Ministers. The Pastorate					Deaths.			Sabbath Schools.		Benevolent Contributions.	
	New.	Dropped.	Gain.	Loss.	Ordained.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Died.	Ordained without Installation.	Pastors by C.	Pastors.	Others.	Gain.	Loss.	Increase.	Decrease.
1898.	7	2	1,738	—	6	21	12	2	15	2	2	11	2,690	—	—	$49,078
1897.	6	2	1,044	—	11	24	23	0	12	0	2	27	3,410	—	—	37,710
1896.	1	1	705	—	10	25	22	1	16	1	3	18	52	—	$65,015	—
1895.	5	3	1,950	—	8	21	17	1	26	1	3	22	422	—	—	44,638
1894.	8	0	1,581	—	15	35	30	2	15	2	1	15	1,429	—	—	176,171
1893.	8	2	629	—	9	22	20	0	12	0	1	7	—	995	194,507	—
1892.	9	1	1,655	—	21	24	24	2	8	2	1	11	—	1,404	—	17,737
1891.	6	2	1,999	—	11	24	17	2	9	2	0	10	1,914	—	17,206	—
1890.	5	1	1,190	—	17	29	24	2	5	2	3	13	1,849	—	16,902	—
1889.	17	0	2,461	—	4	32	20	2	12	2	4	11	934	—	20,449	—
1888.	6	2	1,295	—	10	24	25	2	2	2	2	16	2,410	—	—	28,871 35
1887.	1	2	1,425	—	12	22	39	3		3	0	7	1,048	—	110,514 49	—
1886.	4	2	1,262	—	11	18	22	0		0	1	7	588	—	—	4,394 72
1885.	3	1	3,375	—	8	33	31	2		2	0	11	3,355	—	100,919 45	—
1884.	3	2	—	1,945	9	28	26	3		3	1	12	1,816	—	23,341 82	—
1883.	0	1	957	—	15	26	27	5	3	5	1	13	2,941	—	137,601 71	—
1882.	4	0	1,276	—	6	14	11	6	3	1	0	5	—	10,999	—	41,877 74
1881.	2		—	1,477	15	31	26	3	4	3	3	14	5,232	—	45,231 77	—
1880.	2	4	—	348	12	28	32	7	3	7	0	12	655	—	22,000 27	—
1879.	1	2	319	—	15	28	36	2	9	2	1	18	—	349	15,170 77	—
1878.	4	1	3,995	—	13	35	43	2	6	2		10	3,723	—	—	75,297 55
1877.	7	2	2,519	—	7	25	48	5	7	5	2	8	754	—	—	16,274 77
1876.	4	0	787	—	9	29	47	4	14	4	1	10	—	1,119	—	15,929 92
1875.	11	2	1,688	—	11	19	37	2	4	2	*	8	4,514	—	22,705 17	—
1874.	3	2	1,015	—	10	33	34	11	6	11		11	2,150	—	—	42,248 88
1873.	6	2	11	—	21	33	36	6	4	6		13	—	687	—	2,119 87
1872.	2	0	870	—	10	43	39	7	3	7		13	332	—	98,649 52	—
1871.	2	3	517	—	9	43	53	3	5	3		5	—	2,293	2,010 21	—
1870.	6	4	9	—	16	25	46	9	5	9		14	—	700	37,726 82	—
1869.	7	3	531	—	17	42	50	2	3	2		15	404	—	Unk'n	
1868.	3	3	1,692	—	17	37	46	1	8	1		5	2,620	—	"	
1867.	5	2	2,879	—	12	33	49	2	10	2		15	3,713	—	"	
1866.	9	5	—	263	10	27	32	5		5		13	920	—	"	
1865.	8	8	1,099	—						1		6	—	775	"	
1860.	6	3	—	413						9		6	—	161		
1855.	5	1	532	—						6		6	940	—		
1851	2	2	2,467	—									2,249	—		

NOTE. — The "year" means what changes were comprised in the twelve months preceding January 1 of the year mentioned. The table was begun in 1866, all preceding years now given being compiled from past Minutes, — the number of churches in some years varying from the Minutes as they *were* to what they *should* have been.

The changes in list of churches, ordinations, installations, etc., for the past year, condensed in the above table, are given in detail in their proper place.

* Prior to 1876 "acting pastors" are included in "others" in columns of deaths of ministers

CONTINUED TABLE OF SUMMARIES.

Year.	Churches.					Ministers.					Church Members, Jan. 1.				Additions			Removals.				Baptisms.		In Sab. Schs.		Benevolent Contributions.
	With P. C.	With P.	With S.	Vacant.	Total.	P. C.	P.	S.	Others.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total	Ab'nt.	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death	Dism.	Disc.	Total.	Adult	Infant	Mem.	Av. Att.	
1898	282	252	8	56	598	291	235	6	256	788	35,828	77,133	112,961	17,985	3,912	3,180	7,092	1,828	2,462	748	5,038	1,860	1,990	124,247	72,968	$609,473
1897	274	241	10	68	593	280	226	10	271	787	35,331	75,892	111,223	17,453	3,382	3,050	6,432	1,848	2,590	915	5,353	1,633	1,616	121,557	70,571	658,551
1896	281	224	15	69	589	287	214	15	270	786	35,038	75,141	110,179	17,216	3,786	2,964	6,750	1,849	2,650	936	5,435	1,326	1,661	118,379	69,581	696,261
1895	273	215	22	79	589	280	210	21	267	778	34,461	75,013	109,474	17,014	4,106	3,282	7,388	1,843	2,653	952	5,448	1,964	1,802	118,327	70,262	631,246
1894	267	203	27	90	587	271	194	22	293	780	34,032	73,492	107,524	16,957	3,733	3,260	6,993	1,935	2,730	721	5,386	1,849	1,804	117,905	70,798	675,884
1893	267	198	16	98	579	276	184	16	342	818	33,598	72,345	105,943	17,125	3,324	3,005	6,329	2,074	2,506	850	5,430	1,654	1,452	116,476	69,323	852,055
1892	265	195	11	102	573	275	199	11	315	800	33,433	71,881	105,314	15,865	3,617	3,170	6,787	1,916	2,721	475	5,112	1,840	1,543	117,471	68,640	657,548
1891	272	176	16	101	565	283	181	15	286	765	32,596	71,063	103,659	17,208	3,530	3,043	6,573	1,757	2,604	479	4,840	1,883	1,674	118,875	72,041	675,285
1890	268	190	23	80	561	278	178	22	276	754	32,133	69,527	101,660	17,595	3,836	3,159	6,995	1,754	2,744	913	5,411	1,930	1,377	116,961	68,574	658,079
1889	264	177	45	93	557	264	177	45	220	706	31,592	68,878	100,470	15,838	3,718	2,760	6,478	1,780	2,513	337	4,630	1,838	1,258	115,112	66,899	641,177
1888	261	204		75	540	277	165		236	678	29,465	64,712	97,707	15,541	3,882	2,839	6,721	1,788	2,313	185	4,286	2,013	1,220	114,178		678,950
1887	258	178		99	535	282	157		259	698	29,029	63,967	96,412	15,838	3,733	2,688	6,421	1,537	2,114	189	3,856	1,905	901	111,768		707,821
1886	277	180		70	530	289	165		211	665	28,577	62,097	94,987	15,931	3,752	2,687	6,440	1,688	2,170	150	4,011	1,843	1,025	110,720		597,307
1885	283	166		85	534	297	178		186	661	28,857	63,423	93,725	15,239	3,013	2,503	5,519	1,603	1,979	168	3,752	1,414	1,008	110,182		601,702
1884	283	169		80	532	300	155		186	641	27,777	62,573	90,350	13,877	2,800	2,071	4,871	1,587	1,979	141	3,707	1,451	800	106,827		500,782
1883	278	160		93	531	265	153		202	620	30,957	61,338	92,295	14,872	2,371	2,180	4,551	1,585	1,861	148	3,594	1,051	837	105,011		477,440
1882	274	178		80	532	278	143		215	636	28,073	61,135	91,238	14,392	2,153	2,001	4,168	1,682	1,724	137	3,539	1,103	966	94,977		349,839
1881	269	164		95	528	264	119		228	611	28,494	61,468	89,962	14,399	1,631	1,940	3,571	1,410	1,592	145	3,147	874	842	105,976		391,716
1880	280	171		75	526	284	164		185	633	29,045	62,394	91,439	14,584	1,761	1,835	3,596	1,454	1,745	151	3,350	922	968	100,744		346,485
1879	282	180		66	528	286	174		195	655	29,212	62,575	91,787	14,764	2,421	1,869	4,290	1,401	1,669	116	3,186	1,235	954	10,089		324,484
1878	277	174		78	529	280	169		194	643	28,995	62,473	91,468	14,100	5,098	2,577	8,275	1,418	2,066	159	3,643	3,103	1,353	100,438	62,290	309,314
1877	269	174		83	526	275	171		196	642	27,479	59,994	87,473	12,833	4,407	2,085	6,492	1,517	1,807	178	3,502	2,480	1,078	96,715		384,611
1876	289	163		69	521	292	162		187	641	26,590	58,374	84,954	13,177	3,103	2,244	5,347	1,531	2,163	89	3,783	1,616	1,153	95,961	61,391	400,886
1875	301	136		80	517	305	134		167	606	26,346	57,821	84,167	12,777	3,809	2,730	6,608	1,391	2,295	94	3,780	2,137	1,111	97,160	62,295	416,816
1874	307	116		85	508	314	116		166	596	25,810	56,669	82,479	12,506	2,329	2,279	4,608	1,380	1,902	67	3,349	1,112	1,012	92,646	60,036	394,111
1873	307	127		73	507	316	127		173	616	25,481	55,983	81,464	13 305	2,713	2,438	5,151	1,483	2,159	60	3,702	1,287	915	90,496	58,405	436,350
1872	299	123		81	503	304	123		164	591	25,426	56,027	81,453	13,874	2,569	2,151	4,720	1,350	2,177	79	3,606	1,236	882	91,183	61,571	438,479
1871	292	134		75	501	297	134		166	597	25,152	55,431	80,583	12,517	2,164	2,009	4,173	1,348	2,049	73	3,470	1,126	1,005	90,851	61,443	439,830
1870	294	119		89	502	298	117		176	591	24,915	55,151	80,066	11,983	2,381	2,476	4,857	1,359	2,308	82	3,749	1,218	1,103	93,144	62,217	337,820
1869	311	116		73	500	314	115		172	601	25,050	55,007	80,057	11,970	2,975	2,492	5,467	1,267	2,337	79	3,683	1,610	1,030	93,844	61,149	300,093
1868	301	113		82	496	307	112		156	575	24,734	54,792	79,526	11,509	3,513	2,163	5,676	1,170	2,122	58	3,350	1,928	1,072	93,440	62,782	298,533
1867	295	114		87	496	300	113		154	567	24,082	53,752	77,834	11,698	4,644	2,316	6,960	1,220	2,051	114	4,385	2,314	1,168	90,820	61,407	315,322
1866	310	109		74	493	316	107		166	589	25,177	51,178	74,955	11,147	2,153	1,896	3,749	1,307	1,703	98	3,108	1,010	987	87,107	60,036	392,244
1865	313	100		76	489	318	101		147	566	23,488	51,730	75,218	11,706	3,030	1,790	4,820	1,454	1,675	124	3,253	1,407	1,023	86,187	58,284	
1860	325	81		82	488	333	78		176	587	24,217	51,302	76,371	10,114	1,741	1,734	3,475	1,154	1,768	188	3,110	780	1,293	80,124		
1855	351	54		62	467	306	55		135	556	20,999	45,218	69,509	8,756	1,713	1,618	3,331	1,119	1,674	97	2,890	737	1,254	66,147		
1850	347	58		56	461	356	56						64,830		1,185	1,510	2,695	1,054	1,456	108	2,618	429	1,239	64,178		
1845					440								65,467											62,108		
1840					406								62,513											62,305		
1835					387								49,089											44,040		
1830					347								37,987											34,787		

In the above table, the columns of "Additions," "Removals," "Baptisms," "Sabbath School Average," and "Benevolent Contributions" cover the twelve months next preceding January 1 of the year mentioned in a given line. The number of *churches*, *members*, and of *Sabbath schools* was enumerated January 1 of the year mentioned. The number of churches "Vacant" includes all churches supplied by licentiates, or ministers of other denominations.

THE ASSOCIATIONS OF MINISTERS.

1. ANDOVER, Organized July 5, 1763.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
S. Winchester Adriance,	'79, May 22.	'84, Dec. 2.	Winchester.	W. C.
Ernest L. Baker,	'94, Sept. 18.	'95, Feb. 26.	Dracut.	P. C.
Cecil F. P. Bancroft,	'67, May 1.	'90, Sept 23.	Andover.	Prof.
Henry E. Barnes,	'62, May 28.	'94, Feb. 27.	N. Andover.	P. C.
Ernest C. Bartlett,	'96, March 12.	'96, Dec. 8.	Chelmsford.	P. C.
William A. Bartlett,	'86, Jan. 4.	'96, Feb. 23.	Lowell.	P. C.
James M. Blue,	'96, July 14.	'96, Sept. 29.	Lawrence.	P.
Francis H. Boynton,	'64, Oct. 20.	'89, May 28.	Lawrence.	W. C.
Park A. Bradford,	'79, July 30.	'94, Sept. 25.	Tyngsboro.	W. C
S. Ingersoll Briant,	'68, April 22.	'90, April 8.	North Chelmsford.	P.
Charles C. Carpenter,	'60, May 9.	'91, May.	Andover.	W. C.
Clark Carter,	'68, Feb. 13.	'73, June 3.	Andover.	C. M.
Edward A. Chase,	'84, May 28.	'89, Sept. 24.	Lawrence.	P. C.
J. Wesley Churchill,	'69, April 30.	'82, April 11.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Thomas G. A. Coté,	'71, April 9.	'82, April 11.	Lowell.	W. C.
Charles A. Dickinson,	'79, Sept. 27.	'84, Dec. 2.	Boston.	P. C.
George R. Dickinson,	'95, Oct. 9.	'96, Sept. 29.	Andover.	W. C.
Sarah A. Dixon,	'97, June 16.	'97, Dec. 7.	Tyngsboro.	P. C.
Arthur L. Golder,	'91, Sept. 21.	'97, May 25.	Ballardvale.	P.
John M. Greene,	'57, Oct. 20.	'71, June 28.	Lowell.	P. C.
Daniel W. Hardy,	'74, Oct. 20.	'95, Dec. 3.	Billerica.	P.
Edward Y Hincks,	'70, Oct. 18.	'85, Dec. 15.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles W. Huntington,	'81, Sept. 6.	'88, June 5.	Lowell.	P. C.
Francis H. Johnson,	'61, Oct. 15.	'83, June 5.	Andover.	W. C.
George H. Johnson,	'77, July 6.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
George F. Kenngott,	'90, Oct. 8.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
David Kilburn,	'84, April 20.	'90, Sept. 23.	*N. Londonderry, N. H.*	P.
Willis D. Leland,	'80, Jan. 23.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	P. C.
Robert A. MacFadden,	'96, June 12.	'96, Sept. 29.	Andover.	P. C.
Charles L. Merriam,	'82, Sept. 13.	'92, June.	Lowell.	P. C.
Selah Merrill.	'64, Nov. 1.	'74, Oct. 20.	Andover.	W. C.
Charles L. Mitchell,	'71, June 28.	'84, June 19.	Winchester.	W. C.
George F. Moore,	'78, Feb. 2,	'95, May 28.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Lewis W. Morey,	'82, Sept. 6.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	W. C.
Andrew P. Nelson,	'94, Mar. 1.	'98, Feb. 22.	Lowell.	P. C.
Charles H. Oliphant,	'76, July 12.	'84, Oct. 28.	Methuen.	P. C.
Henry E. Oxnard,	'94, Nov. 13.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P.
Frederick H. Page,	'93, Nov. 23.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Edward W. Pride,	'69, June 10.	'92, June.	Andover.	W. C

1. ANDOVER (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Ryder,	'69, Dec. 14.	'88, Dec. 4.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Hovhannes Kevork Santikian,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Dec. 7.	Lowell.	M.
Frank R. Shipman,	'93, Dec. 27.	'94, June 5.	Andover.	P. C.
John Phelps Taylor,	'68, Nov. 12.	'85, Nov. 3.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Elbridge C. Whiting,	'91, Sept. 30.	'97, May 25.	Tewksbury.	P.
Charles H. Willcox,	'84, Nov. 6.	'84, Dec. 2.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Worcester Willey,	'44, Oct. 14.	'72, Oct. 4.	Andover.	W. C.
Frederick A. Wilson,	'82, Oct. 6.	'90, April 8.	Andover.	P C.
William E. Wolcott,	'81, Sept. 21.	'82, Feb. 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Frank E. Woodruff,	'83, Sept. 6.	'85, Nov. 3.	*Brunswick, Me.*	Prof.

Licentiates. — 1895: John C. Campbell, Morrison E. Meriam, Julian H. Olmstead. — 1896: George S. Ball, Albert V. Bliss, Pemberton H. Cressey, Frank W. Dean, Robert W. Dunbar, Leslie C. Greeley, Albert W. Howes, Benjamin E. Ray, Walter H. Rollins, Frank N. Saltmarsh, Alexander Sloan, Henry H. Walker, Gavin H. Wright.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesday in December, and fourth Tuesdays in February, May, and September.

Rev. Edward W. Pride, Andover, scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

George W. Andrews,	'82, June 7.	'84, Dec. 1.	Dalton.	P.
John Bascom,	'59, Dec. 18.	'61, Jan. 28.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Edson L. Clark,	'59, Nov. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
William V. W. Davis,	'77, Sept. 12.	'93, Dec. 19.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
John H. Denison,	'70, Jan. 30.	'85, Sept. 16.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Nathaniel H. Egleston,	'45, Feb. 19.	'77, Dec. 3.	*Washington, D. C.*	W. C.
Edward H. Griffin,	'68, Feb. 6.	'73, Dec. 1.	*Baltimore, Md.*	Dean Coll.
Samuel Harrison,	'50, Aug. 13.	'52, Nov. 8.	Pittsfield.	P.
James H. Laird,	'64, Dec. 21.	'85, Sept. 16,	Hinsdale.	P. C.
T. Claire Luce,	'85, Dec. 2.	'90, Dec. 2.	Richmond.	P.
William E. Morse,	'86, May 1.	'90, Dec. 2.	Dudley.	P.
Alford B. Penniman,	'83, Apr. 10.	'94, June 12.	Adams.	P. C.
James C. Seagrave,	'51, Dec. 1.	'87, Dec. 6.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
William Slade,	'88, Sept. 18.	'93, Feb. 21.	Hampton, Ct.	P.
Isaac C. Smart,	'85, June 9.	'85, Sept. 16.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
Edward Strong,	'42, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 7.	Pittsfield.	W. C.
William L. Tenney,	'88, Sept. 20.	'95, Dec. 20.	North Adams.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — In March, June, September, and December.

Rev. James H. Laird, Hinsdale, scribe and treasurer.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Arthur J. Benedict,	'75, May 25.	'93, Jan. 31.	Housatonic.	P.
Leon D. Bliss,	'89, Oct. 31.	'96, Oct. 27.	Great Barrington.	P. C.
Albert J. Chittenden,	'62, Sept. 28.	'94, April 24.	Mill River.	W. C.
Walter W. Curtis,	'72, Mar. 20.	'83, Oct. 29.	West Stockbridge.	P.
J. Jay Dana,	'35, Sept. 9.	'86, Jan. 26.	Housatonic.	W. C.
Edward Day,	'86, Sept. 15.	'91, Jan. 27.	Lenox.	P. C.
Samuel Hopley,	'55, Sept. 19.	'90, Jan. 28.	Lee.	W. C.
Alonzo T. Lamb,	'93, July 26.	'95, Oct. 29.	W. Wareham.	P.
Telesphore Levique,	'91, April 1.	'93, May 2.		W. C.
Stephen T. Livingston,	'91, July 8.	'91, Nov. 10.	Williamstown.	W. C.
R. DeWitt Mallary,	'76, Oct. 12.	'80, July 12.	Lenox.	W. C.
Frederick R. Marvin,	'78, April 18.	'87, Oct. 25.	*Troy, N. Y.*	W. C.
Evarts W. Pond,	'95, May 2.	'97, Oct. 26.	Sheffield.	P.
Charles S. Rich,	'96, Sept. 29.	'96, Oct. 27.	Stockbridge.	P. C.
Lyman S. Rowland,	'64, Nov. 16.	'77, Oct. 29.	Lee.	P. C.
George T. Washburn,	'59, Mar. 22.	'59, July 25.	*Madura.*	Missionary.

Licentiate. — Edward C. Sedgwick.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October.

Rev. Edward Day, Lenox, scribe and treasurer.

4. BROOKFIELD, Organized June 22, 1757.

Austin B. Bassett,	'87, Sept. 15.	'91, April 21.	Ware.	P. C.
Oscar Bissell,	'56, May 14.	'93, Oct. 24.	Brimfield.	W. C.
Edward B. Blanchard,	'92, June 29.	'96, Jan. 14.	Brookfield.	P. C.
Allen A. Bronsdon.	'98 Dec. 2.	'98 Jan. 11.	Oakham.	P. C.
Sidney A. Burnaby,	'81, Sept. 21.	'94, July 3.	*Canaan, Ct.*	P.
D. Olin Clark,	'78, June 11.	'86, Nov. 15.	Worcester.	W. C.
Wm. Byron Forbush,	'92, Feb. 17.	'97, July 27.	Warren.	P. C.
Benson M. Frink,	'63, Jan. 9.	'94, Jan. 16.	W. Brookfield.	W. C.
Sereno D. Gammell,	'68, Sept. 9.	'97, July 27.	N. Brookfield.	W. C.
Joseph F. Gaylord,	'67, Nov. 7.	'79, Oct. 15.	Barre.	P. C.
Silvanus Hayward,	'61, Oct. 9.	'81, April 19.	Globe Village.	P. C.
Amos. Holbrook,	'66, May 9.	'96, Oct. 13.	Sturbridge.	W. C.
Robert J. Kyle,	'85, Sept. 12.	'97, Jan. 22.	Brimfield.	P.
Charles W. Loomis.	'88, May 23.	'98, Jan 11.	W. Brookfield.	P.
Harlan Page,	'83, Feb. 6.	'95, July 2.	Hardwick.	P.
Augustus M. Rice,	'73, Dec. 17.	'94, July 3.	Sturbridge.	P.
Martin L. Richardson,	'60, Mar. 7.	'63, Sept. 13.	Montague.	P.
Laurent E. Rivard,	'94, June 19.	'95, April 16.	Ware.	W. C.
John L. Sewall.	'82, July 19.	'98, Jan. 11.	N. Brookfield.	P. C.
Uriel W. Small,	'59, Sept. 22.	'91, Jan. 13.		W. C.
Joseph J. Spencer,	'90, Oct. 1.	'91, Oct. 6.	N. Brookfield.	P. C.
Dwight C. Stone,	'88, May 22.	'96, April 14.	Gilbertville,	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October.

Rev. Edward B. Blanchard, Brookfield, scribe.

5. CAPE COD (BARNSTABLE, 1792; BREWSTER, 1832; VINEYARD SOUND, 1836), Organized by union, October 16, 1866.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment
Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	'63, Feb. 17.	'82, Jan. 31.	Hyannis.	W. C.
Charles A. Breck,	'94, Sept. 25	'97, Aug. 4.	Cotuit.	P.
Samuel W. Clarke,	'74, Jan. 16.	'92, July 19.	*Willington, Ct.*	W. C.
Daniel L. Crafts,	'76, July 19.	'94, July 17.	Lynn.	W. C.
Henry K. Craig,	'55, Jan. 24.	'73, April 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
George S. Dodge,	'93, June 6.	'94, Jan. 16.	Woods Holl.	P.
Edward T. Ford,	'97, May 25.	'97, Oct. 19.	Harwichport.	P.
Edgar B. French,	'97, Sept. 7.	'97, Oct. 19.	W. Barnstable.	P.
William Harris,	'76, June 10.	'96, Jan. 21.	Truro.	P.
John W. Hayley,	'64, Sept. 23.	'95, Jan. 15.	Lowell.	W. C.
Artemas J. Haynes,	'94, Oct. 2.	'94, Oct 16.	*Chicago, Ill.*	P.
Henry S. Kimball,	'66, May 31.	'95, Oct. 29.	Hyanuis.	W. C.
Dorrall Lee,	'74, Sept. 16.	'97, April 20.	Wellfleet.	P.
Andrew H. Mulnix,	'88, Feb. 3.	'88, April 26.	Hyannis.	P. C.
E. Irving Racket,	'94, May 9.	'94, July 17.	Orleans.	P. C.
John T. Rea,	'73, Aug. 8.	'79, Jan. 28.	*Exeter, N. H.*	W. C.
Daniel W. Richardson,	'62, Aug. 14.	'96, Aug. 4.	Chatham.	P.
Ezra J. Riggs,	'79, July 10.	'91, Nov. 10.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
Robert Samuel,	'59, Nov. 3.	'84, Oct. 28.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William F. Skerrye,	'96, Aug. 31.	'97, Jan. 19.	Provincetown.	P.
Ezra N. Smith,	'72, June 12.	'92, April 19.	N. Falmouth.	P.
Rufus B. Tobey,	'80, Nov. 30.	'81, Jan. 25.	Boston.	W. C.
John J. Walker,	'94, Dec. 11.	'97, April 20.	Yarmouth.	P. C.
Charles H. Washburn,	'85, Dec. 2.	'95, Aug 20.	Boston.	P. C.
Chas. H. Whitney,	'71, Aug. 31.	'72, Jan. 16.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William H. Woodwell,	'73, June 12.	'89, June 11.	Sandwich.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October. Rev. Ezra N. Smith, N. Falmouth, secretary.

6. ESSEX NORTH, Organized September 6, 1761.

Charles Beecher,	'44, Nov. 2.	'57, Dec. 22.	Georgetown.	W. C.
George Benedict,	'83, Oct. 9.	'92, Dec. 20.	N. Abington.	P. C.
Isaac N. Carleton,	*Licentiate.*	'87, April 19.	Bradford.	Teacher.
George W. Christie,	'73, Dec. 11.	'93, Feb. 21.	Amesbury.	P.
Calvin M. Clark,	'90, Dec. 30.	'93, Dec 19.	Haverhill	P. C.
Samuel B. Cooper,	'87, Jan. 19.	'93, Oct. 17.	Rowley.	P.
F. Lincoln Davis,	'93, Nov. 8.	'94, April 17.	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*	P. C.
John W. Dodge,	'60, Dec. 6.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Daniel T. Fiske,	'47, Aug. 18.	'47, Dec. 29.	Newburyport.	P. C.
George L. Gleason,	'66, Feb. 1.	'84, May 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Albert W. Hitchcock,	'91, Dec. 15.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Charles S. Holton,	'92, Nov. 30.	'97, Dec. 21.	Newbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Hubbard,	'68, Sept. 2.	'80, April 20.	West Boxford.	P. C.

6. Essex North (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Joseph Kimball,	'83, June 15.	'86, April 20.	*Hampton Falls, N. H.*	P.
John D. Kingsbury,	'56, Sept. 24.	'66, Oct. 17.	Bradford.	P. C.
George W. Lawrence,	'88, Feb 14.	'96, Dec. 15.	*Atkinson Dep't, N.H.*	P. C.
Charles E. Lord,	'44, May 8.	'90, Dec. 16.	Newburyport.	W. C.
John N. Lowell,	'77, Nov. 21.	'81, Feb 21.	Haverhill.	P.
Henry R. McCartney,	'87, Jan. 20.	'92, April 19.	Georgetown.	P. C.
Charles P. Mills,	'80, Sept. 23.	'80, Dec. 21.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Vincent Moses,	'87, Oct. 2.	'92, Dec. 20.	Bradford.	W. C.
Frederick B. Noyes,	'90, Oct. 28.	'92, April 19.	Chiltonville.	P.
Edwin B. Palmer,	'59, Sept. 20.	'76, June 20.	Winchester.	Tr. H. M.Soc.
Manasseh G. Papazian,	'90, May 28.	'90, Oct. 21.	*Aintab.*	Prof.
Myron O. Patton,	'94, May 29,	'95, Dec. 17.	Newburyport.	P. C.
John Pike,	'38, April 25.	'42, Oct. 31.	Rowley.	W. C.
George H. Reed,	'87, June 3.	'92, April 19	Haverhill.	P. C.
John H. Reid,	'90, Aug. 10.	'93, Feb. 21.	Newburyport.	P.
George L. Richmond,	'87, Oct. 10.	'90, April 15.	Amesbury.	P. C.
Francis W. Sanborn,	'78, Dec. 18.	'85, Dec. 16.		W. C.
George H. Scott,	'73, Sept. 8.	'88, Feb. 21.	*Atkinson, N. H.*	P.
Egbert C. Smyth,	'56, July 23.	'67, April 19.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
John Rounds Smith,	'92, Sept. 1.	'93, Feb. 21.	Salem.	W. C.
George L. Todd,	'87, April 13.	'93, April 18.	Merrimac.	P. C.
David C. Torrey,	'92, June 1.	'92, Dec. 20.	Byfield.	P. C.
C. Julian Tuthill,	'94, May 1.	'95, Dec. 17.	Georgetown.	P. C.

Stated Meetings. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Haverhill, scribe.

7. Essex South and Salem (Essex South, September 3, 1717; Salem, October 15, 1840), Organized by union, December 1, 1885.

Harry C. Adams,	'89, Oct. 22.	'98, Jan. 11.	Danvers.	P. C.
Israel Ainsworth,	'80, April 11.	'89, May 14.	Rockport.	P. C.
William P. Alcott,	'68, Feb. 18.	'81, Sept. 13.	Boxford P. C.	Linebrook.
James A. Anderson,	'89, Oct. 3.	'96, Mar. 10.	West Peabody.	P.
William A. Bacon,	'95, Oct. 1.	'95, Nov. 12.	Beverly.	P.
S. Linton Bell,	'76, Jan. 5.	'81, April 1.	Marblehead.	P. C.
Emery L. Bradford,	'92, July 1.	'94, Jan. 9.	Boxford.	P. C.
James F. Brodie,	'82, Feb. 21.	'89, Nov. 12.	Salem.	P. C.
John W. Buckham,	'88, Aug. 9.	'91, Jan. 13.	Salem.	P. C.
DeWitt S. Clark,	'68, Nov. 11.	'79, June 2.	Salem.	P. C.
Edward Constant,	'83, Aug. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Ipswich.	P.
Lyndon S. Crawford,	'79, Aug. 20.	'84, Jan. 8.	*Broosa, W. Turkey.*	F. M.
Temple Cutler,	'61, Feb. 20.	'86, Sept. 26.	W. Gloucester.	P.
Hugh Elder,	'68, Jan. 29.	'68, April 7.		W. C.

7. Essex South and Salem (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James E. Enman,	'95, Dec. 31.	'96, Mar. 10.	Magnolia.	P. C.
Edward C. Ewing,	'63, Nov. 5.	'83, Nov. 1.	Danvers Centre.	P. C.
Francis A. Fate,	'94, Nov. 1.	'95, Mar. 12.	Manchester.	P. C.
George E. Freeman,	'58, Oct. 6.	'96, Mar. 10.	Lynnfield.	P. C.
Curtis M. Geer,	'90, June 25.	'95, Mar. 12.	*Lewiston, Me.*	W. C.
Willis A. Hadley,	'78, Aug. 21.	'94, May 9.	Lynn.	P. C.
George A. Hall,	'86, April 13.	'86, Dec. 1.	Peabody.	P. C.
Rufus P. Hibbard,	'68, Aug. 4.	'88, Sept. 11.	Gloucester.	P. C.
Frederick A. Holden,	'85, Sept. 18.	'92, Nov. 15.	*Burlington, Ct.*	P.
George A. Jackson,	'72, Sept. 26.	'79, Jan. 14.	Swampscott.	W. C.
John A. Johnson,	'92, Aug. 6.	'95, Mar. 12.	Lynn.	P.
Frederic I. Kelley,	'89, Dec. 30.	'90, Mar. 11.	Dracut.	P.
John C. Labaree,	'62, Feb. 4.	'96, Nov. 10.	Saugus.	P.
Warren P. Landers,	'91, Dec. 2.	'92, Mar. 8.	Middleton.	P. C.
O. T. Lanphear,	'49, Oct. 25.	'68, Feb. 11.	Beverly.	W. C.
Carl A. Lundgren,	'93, Aug. 17.	'94, May 9.	Waltham.	P.
Hugh McLeod,	'55, June 25.	'85, Jan. 13.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William C. Merrill,	'84, May 17.	'97, Nov. 9.	Lynn.	P.
Albert W. Moore,	'73, Jan. 22.	'84, Mar. 11.	Lynn.	P. C.
William J. Murray,	'79, April 28.	'89, Mar. 12.	Essex.	P. C.
Jesse G. Nichols,	'94, Sept. 13.	'95, Jan. 8.	Hamilton.	P. C.
George W. Osgood,	'78, Jan. 26.	'96, May 26.	Lynn.	P.
Francis A. Poole,	'93, July 12.	'95, Jan. 8.	Topsfield.	P.
Aaron Porter,	'60, Nov. 20.	'88, Sept. 11.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank H. Reed,	'86, June 24.	'86, Dec. 1.	Lanesville.	P. C.
Charles B. Rice,	'59, Dec. 7.	'64, May 1.	Danvers Centre.	Sect.
Jotham B. Sewall,	'55, Feb. 28.	'95, Mar. 12.	Boston.	P.
J. Henry Thayer,	'59, Dec. 29.	'60, Mar. 6.	Cambridge.	Prof.
W. Sherman Thompson,	'91, Oct. 14.	'97, Mar. 9.	Cliftondale.	P.
Francis J. Van Horn,	'93, Oct. 5.	'96, Mar. 10.	Beverly.	P. C.
Arthur N. Ward,	'79, Feb. 25.	'92, Jan. 12.	Wenham.	P.
T. Frank Waters,	'76, Oct. 23.	'79, Feb. 4.	Ipswich.	P. C.
Charles C. Watson,	'67, July 2.	'94, Jan. 9.	Lynn.	W. C.
Will C. Wood,	'68, Oct. 15.	'69, Jan. 12.	Boston.	W. C.

Stated Meetings. — Second Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Licentiate. — Peter Johnson, Pigeon Cove.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, scribe.

8. Franklin, Organized September 20, 1803.

Walter H. Ashley,	'78, Mar. 19.	'89, Nov. 19.	Shelburne Falls.	P.
G. Glenn Atkins,	'95, Jan. 2.	'95, Feb. 12.	Greenfield.	P.
George H. Bailey,	'67, Nov. 26.	'94, July 10.	Ashfield.	P.
Edgar F. Blanchard,	'94, Nov. 15.	'96, Feb. 11.	Warwick.	P.

8. FRANKLIN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Edward P. Butler,	'74, Oct. 20.	'90, June 12.	Sunderland.	P. C.
Andrew Campbell,	'96, Sept. 24.	'97, Feb. 9.	Deerfield.	P.
Silas P. Cook,	'70, Mar. 23.	'94, July 10.	*Keene, N. H.*	W. C.
Charles M. Crooks,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Sept. 14.	Coleraine.	
George L. Dickinson,	'76, Sept. 20.	'92, April 11.	Whately.	P. C.
Joseph A. Goodrich,	'96, Sept. 9.	'96, Sept. 15.	Shelburne.	P.
Alpheus C. Hodges,	'81, Nov. 16.	'82, Feb. 14.	Buckland.	P. C.
Dorr A. Hudson,	'91, Sept. 9.	'94, May 8.	Millers Falls.	P.
Eugene F. Hunt,	'84, Nov. 18.	'96, Sept. 15.	Conway.	P.
William R. Joyslin,	'64, Feb. 4.	'97, Nov. 9.	Charlemont.	P.
George W. Judson,	'87, July 1.	'90, June 12.	Orange.	P. C.
Thomas C. Kinne,	'75, June 28.	'93, Dec. 12.	Montague.	W. C.
Caldwell Morrison,	'93, Nov. 2.	'93, Dec. 12.	*Orange, N. J.*	W. C.
John A. Pogue,	'96, Jan. 28.	'96, May 12.	Hawley.	P. C.
Stephen H. Robinson,	'78, Sept. 7.	'88, Aug. 14.	*Greenfield, N. H.*	P.
Edward P. Seymour,	'92, Oct. 25.	'97, Sept. 14.	Wendell.	
Ira A. Smith,	'82, Sept. 27.	'88, Feb. 4.	Scotland.	P.
David H. Strong,	'85, June 16.	'88, Nov. 13.	Bernardston.	P.
Carey H. Watson,	'91, Dec. 30.	'93, July 5.	Greenfield.	P.
Lyman Whiting,	'43, Jan. 11.	'90, May 13.	East Charlemont.	P.
John A. Woodhull,	'56, Jan. 1.	'90, Nov. 11.	Plainfield.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Charles C. Duncan, John C. Wightman.

STATED MEETINGS. — Annual, second Tuesday in May. Other meetings, second Tuesdays in September, November, and February.

Rev. Andrew Campbell, Deerfield, scribe.

9. HAMPDEN, Organized February 13, 1894, by the union of Hampden West and East, which were formed June 11 and 12, 1844.

Simeon O. Allen,	'70, Dec. 1.	'91, Feb. 10.	West Springfield.	W. C.
Edward P. Armstrong,	'81, Feb. 15.	'87, Feb. 8.	*New Haven, Ct.*	Assist. P.
Stephen G. Barnes,	'81, April 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Longmeadow.	P. C.
Harlan P. Beach,	'83, July 19.	'93, Feb. 14.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Albert G. Beebee,	'54, June 20.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	W. C.
Lyman H. Blake,	'67, Nov. 14.	'81, Dec. 6.	Westfield.	P. C.
Richard H. Bosworth,	'82, May 12.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	P. C.
Ralph W. Brokaw,	'77, July 18.	'89, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	P. C.
Henry J. Bruce,	'62, Sept. 11.	'62, Nov. 11.	*Rahuri, India.*	F. M.
S. G. Buckingham,	'37, May 24.	'47, Aug. 3.	Springfield.	P. C. Em.
Collins G. Burnham,	'79, Dec. 10.	'89, May 14.	Chicopee.	P. C.
Hanford M. Burr,	'88, Oct. 24.	'90, May 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Luther H. Cone,	'55, April 5.	'60, Feb. 7.	Springfield.	P. C.
Allen E. Cross,	'92, Dec. 29.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Henry A. Dickinson,	'63, Oct. 16.	'68, Feb. 11.	Huntington.	P

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Myron S. Dudley,	'71, Sept. 28.	'87, Feb. 8.	Nantucket.	P.
Allen C. Ferrin,	'96, June 30.	'97, July 13.	Blandford.	P. C.
Aaron W. Field,	'72, Nov. 13.	'81, Feb. 8.	New Marlboro.	P.
Albert E. Fitch,	'96, Nov. 11.	'97, Nov. 9.	West Springfield.	P. C.
Everett D. Francis,	'95, Nov. 20.	'97, Feb. 9.	Ludlow.	P. C.
Frank L. Garfield,	'93, Feb. 21.	'94, April 11.	Feeding Hills.	P. C.
Lewis F. Giroux,	'89 April 17.	'89, Nov. 12.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Frank L. Goodspeed,	'87, June 29.	'95, April 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Franklin S. Hatch,	'76, May 7.	'89, Feb. 12.	Monson.	P. C.
Theron H. Hawks,	'55, Mar. 5.	'88, July 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Edward C. Haynes,	'82, April 18.	'95, Nov. 12.	Huntington.	P.
Timothy A. Hazen,	'54, Oct. 11.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Martin S. Howard,	'56, Nov. 20.	'69, Feb. 2.	Wilbraham.	P. C.
George H. Hubbard,	'84, Sept. 13.	'97, July 13.	Enfield.	P. C.
John A. Hughes,	'93, June 8.	'97, July 13.		W. C.
William T. Hutchins,	'76, Dec. 20.	'92, Nov. 7.	Indian Orchard.	P. C.
Frank E. Jenkins,	'81, May 18.	'93, Nov. 14.	Atlanta. Ga.	P. C.
David L. Kebbe,	'91, June 17.	'91, July 14.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward H. Knight,	'83, July 25.	'83, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gerald Stanley Lee,	'88, Oct. 23.	'95, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	W. C.
Samuel H. Lee,	'62, Sept. 17.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	Pres. Coll.
John H. Lockwood,	'71, Nov. 5.	'79, Nov. 11.	Westfield.	P. C.
Clarence C. Lyon,	'90, Dec. 17.	'94, Nov. 13.	Marblehead.	W. C.
F. Barrows Makepeace,	'73, June 19.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Henry B. Mason,	'92, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	N. Wilbraham.	P. C.
Samuel L. Merrell,	'50, Jan. 8.	'82, Nov. 14.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry C. Meserve,	'94, Mar. 14.	'94, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	P. C.
Philip S. Moxom,	'71, Sept. 19.	'96, Feb. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Egbert N. Munroe,	'81, May 4.	'89, Nov. 12.	Stowe, Vt.	P.
Charles Pease,	'96, Oct. 20.	'97, Nov. 9.	Chicopee.	P.
Sidney K. Perkins,	'80, July 20.	'94, July 10.	W. Springfield.	P.
Hervey G. Pillsbury,	'82, Sept. 28.	'95, July 9.	Chicopee Falls.	P. C.
Paul H. Pitkin,	'66, Sept. 11.	'82, May 9.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Abram J. Quick,	'64, Mar. 7.	'91, Nov. 10.	*Baltimore, Md.*	W. C.
David A. Reed,	'81, June 7.	'81, June 12.	Springfield.	Pres. S.C.W.
Edward A. Reed,	'71, June 14.	'88, Feb. 14.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Walter Rice,	'65, July 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Agawam.	P. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	'59, Oct. 25.	'95, April 9.	West Hawley.	P.
A. Lincoln Shear,	'90, April 9.	'96, Nov. 10.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Alpheus M. Spangler,	'88, June 22.	'88, Nov. 13.	Mittineague.	P. C.
Frank M. Sprague,	'75, Sept. 22.	'82, May 9.	*Tampa, Fla.*	P.
Thomas S. St. Aubin,	'93, Oct. 1.	'98, Feb. 8.	Springfield.	P. C.
Richard L. Swain,	'84, Aug. 21.	'94, July 10.	S. Hadley Falls.	P. C.
Charles S. Sylvester,	'59, Oct. 20.	'66, Sept. 4.	Feeding Hills.	W. C.
William J. Tate,	'92, Nov. 16.	'93, April 11.	*Lockport, N. Y.*	P.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Arthur Titcomb,	'88, Oct. 31.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	
John L. R. Trask,	'67, Dec. 4.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	P. C.
James Tufts,	'44, Sept. 23.	'54, Feb. 2.	Monson.	Teacher.
Rufus S. Underwood,	'67, Nov. 19.	'98, Feb. 8.	Longmeadow.	Evan.
Josiah G. Willis,	'76, Oct. 10.	'88, Nov. 13.	Holland.	P.
George W. Winch,	'75, Oct. 6.	'91, Nov. 10.	Holyoke.	P. C.

Licentiate. — 1897, James C. Greenough

STATED MEETINGS. — In Springfield, second Tuesdays in February, April, July, and November.

Rev. Collins G. Burnham, Chicopee, scribe.

10. HAMPSHIRE, Organized before 1735.

John E. Bowman,	'95, Feb. 14.	'97, June 8.	Billerica.	W. C.
George H. Buck,	'94, July 5.	'94, Oct. 16.	Haydenville.	P.
Edward C. Camp,	'94, Oct. 10.	'95, June 11.	Worthington.	P.
Solomon Clark,	'41, June 13.	'61, Aug. 6.	Northampton.	P.
Elisha G. Cobb,	'60, June 20.	'67, Feb. 5.	Florence.	P. C.
John Cowan,	'75, May 25.	'98, Feb. 8.	Southampton.	P.
Harlan Creelman,	'89, Sept. 17.	'90, Feb. 11.	*New Haven, Ct.*	Prof.
Henry L. Edwards,	'57, July 12.	'85, Feb. 17.	Northampton.	W. C.
George M. Gerrish,	'94, June 8.	'94, Oct. 16.	Thorndike.	P.
Charles H. Hamlin,	'76, Sept. 19.	'85, Oct. 27.	Easthampton.	P. C.
Robert H. Life,	'95, Oct. 25.	'97, June 8.	Northampton.	Asso. P.
Wm. J. Parmelee, M.D.	'84, Feb. 26.	'92, Feb. 2.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
Cyrus Pickett,	'67, Feb. 28.	'96, Oct. 20.	Northampton.	W. C.
Harvey Porter,	'80, Aug. 3.	'80, June 1.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Prof. Coll.
Wilbur Rand,	'83, May 9.	'95, June 11.	Huntington.	P.
Henry T. Rose,	'70, May 29.	'95, Feb. 5.	Northampton.	P. C..
Joseph H. Sawyer,	'88, Sept. 3.	'80, June 1.	Easthampton.	Prof.
William C. Scofield,	'51, Oct. 15.	'95, June 11.	*Washington, D. C.*	W. C.
L. Clark Seelye,	'63, Jan. 20.	'75, Feb. 2.	Northampton.	Pres. Coll.
Samuel T. Seelye,	'46, June 17.	'64, Feb. 2.	Easthampton.	W. C.
Henry H. Smith,	'73, Sept. 7.	'94, June 5.	Huntington.	W. C.
Joseph W. Strout,	'86, June 29.	'95, Oct. 29.	Cummington.	P.
Hanson E. Thygeson,	'87, Nov. 2.	'95, Oct. 29.	Chesterfield.	P.
Arthur C. Townsend,	'91, June 10.	'92, Feb. 2.	Westhampton.	P. C.
Henry M. Tyler,	'72, May 6.	'84, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	Prof.
George N. Webber,	'55, Dec. 5.	'90, Oct. 28.	Northampton.	W. C.
Irving F. Wood,	'94, Mar. 6.	'95, June 2.	Northampton,	Prof. Coll.
Sumner G. Wood,	'80, Dec. 30.	'89, Feb. 9.	Easthampton.	P. C.

Licentiate. — George C. Richmond.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February and June, and third Tuesday of October.

Rev. E. G. Cobb, Florence, scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST, Organized November 16, 1841.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Warren H. Beaman,	'41, Sept. 15.	'41, Nov. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Robert C. Bell,	'69, Nov. 3.	'92, Dec. 6.	Granby.	P.
Daniel Bliss,	'55, Oct. 31.	'74, Sept. 22.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Pres. Coll.
Frederick H. Bodman,	'95, May 27.	'96, Dec. 1.	Amherst,	W. C.
Edward P. Crowell,	*Licentiate.*	'65, Sept. 19.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
William E. Dickinson,	'60, Dec. 19.	'97, Feb. 3.	Amherst,	W. C.
Levi H. Elwell,	*Licentiate.*	'80, Dec. 21.	Amherst.	Inst. in Coll.
Henry Fairbank,	'86, May 27.	'85, May 26.	*Ahmednagar, India.*	F. M.
George E. Fisher,	'50, Feb. 27.	'67, Dec. 17.	No. Amherst.	W. C.
Eber W. Gaylord,	'73, May 13.	'90, Dec. 2.	No. Amherst.	P. C.
John F. Gleason,	'73, Jan. 7.	'95, May 28.	S. Amherst.	P.
Edwin A. Grosvenor,	'72, July 30.	'96, Feb. 4.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
William D. Herrick,	'60, Jan. 18.	'84, Sept. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Charles E. Houghton,	'76, May 24.	'89, May 28.	Prescott.	P.
Oliver Huckel,	'90, Sept. 10.	'96, May 26.	*Baltimore, Md.*	P. C.
Newton I. Jones,	'75, July 15.	'94, May 29.	Boston.	W. C.
Edward E. Keedy,	'94, Oct. 16.	'94, Dec. 4.	Hadley.	P.
John W. Lane,	'60, Oct. 16.	'61, Jan. 9.	North Hadley.	P. C.
William D. Love,	'48, April 4.	'79, Sept. 16.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	W. C.
George Lyman,	'51, Nov. 12.	'70, Dec. 20.	*Riverside, Cal.*	W. C.
George J. Newton,	'97, July 22.	'98, Feb. 6.	Belchertown.	P.
Arthur B. Patten,	'94, Feb. 1.	'97, Dec. 7.	S. Hadley.	P.
Lawrence Perry,	'94, May 10.	'96, May 26.	Greenwich.	P.
Nelson Scott,	'46, Sept. 24.	'80, Feb. 17.	Amherst.	W. C.
Charles S. Walker,	'71, Aug. 1.	'81, Sept. 20.	Amherst.	Pr. of Ag. Coll.
Edward C. Winslow,	'81, Nov. 2,	'96, May 26.	Amherst.	Teacher.
Robert M. Woods,	'77, Nov. 21.	'77, Dec. 4.	Hatfield.	P. C.
Chas. L. Woodworth,	'49, Nov. 7.	'93, Dec. 5.	Amherst.	P.

Licentiates. — Edward P. Crowell, re-licensed Sept. 21, 1897; W. L. Montague, re-licensed Dec. 4, 1894; L. H. Elwell, re-licensed Dec. 1, 1896.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, June, and December, and third Tuesday of September.

Rev. Geo. E. Fisher, North Amherst, scribe.

12. MENDON, Organized November 8, 1751.

John F. Crosby,	'92, Mar. 30.	'94, Dec. 4.	W. Medway.	P.
Nathan T. Dyer,	'78, July 31.	'90, Dec. 9.	Ashburnham.	P.
Joseph M. R. Eaton,	'45, Jan. 9.	'71, Mar. 14.	*Redlands, Cal.*	W. C.
James W. Flagg,	'82, Oct. 25.	'93, June 13.	Foxboro.	P.
Rufus K. Harlow,	'68, Oct. 15.	'72, June 11.	Medway.	P. C.
Edward C. Hood,	'74, May 8,	'96, Dec. 1.	Wrentham.	P.
Alexis W. Ide,	'59, July 7.	'72, June 12.	West Medway.	W. C.
Ephraim O. Jameson,	'60, Mar. 1.	'72, June 11.	Boston.	W. C.
Franklin C. Jones,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, April 7.	Norfolk.	W. C.

12. MENDON (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles W. Longren,	'87, Aug. 24,	'95, Feb. 12,	Franklin.	P.
Francis J. Marsh,	'76, Mar. 26.	'82, Mar. 14.	Boston.	W. C.
Edson J. Moore,	'61, April 1.	'86, Sept. 21.	Norfolk.	P.
Leroy M. Pierce.	'70, Feb. 4.	'98, Apr. 5.	Medfield.	P.
Frank C. Putnam,	'94, Sept. 12.	'94, Oct. 2.	Walpole.	P. C.
William L. Ropes,	'53, Sept. 14.	'53, Oct. 11.	Andover.	Librarian.
William M. Thayer,	'49, June 20.	'72, Mar. 12.	Franklin.	W. C.
Horace Wellington,	'47, Oct.	'89, Dec. 10.	Roxbury.	W. C.
Albert H. Wheelock,	'88, July 3.	'94, Mar. 13.	Millis.	P.
Webster Woodbury,	'68, Sept. 29.	'88, June 13.	Milford.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, April, October, and December.

Rev. Rufus K. Harlow, Medway, scribe.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH, Organized June 7, 1830.

Daniel E. Adams,	'60, Dec. 5.	'86, Dec. 7.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
George M. Adams,	'51, Sept. 18.	'73, Sept. 9.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Edward E. Bradley,	'93, June 20.	'94, Dec. 4.	Lincoln.	P. C.
Merle A. Breed,	'93, Nov. 21.	'97, May 4.	Westboro.	P. C.
George A. Brock,	'91, June 29.	'92, May 3.	Saxonville.	P. C.
Irving A. Burnap,	'92, Sept. 15.	'97, Dec. 7.	S. Natick.	P.
Edward H. Chandler,	'92, Nov. 9.	'97, Sept. 21.	Wellesley.	P. C.
Edward L. Chute,	'80, July 20.	'85, Sept. 14.	Ware.	P.
Edmund Dowse,	'38, Oct. 10.	'39, Feb. 5.	Sherborn.	P. C.
Horace Dutton,	'68, Jan. 21.	'75, Sept. 21.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Lucius R. Eastman,	'62, May 1.	'71, Dec. 2.	Framingham.	P. C.
Fred E. Emrich,	'75, Sept. 16.	'90, Sept. 16.	So. Framingham.	P. C.
Prescott Fay,	'56, Feb. 27.	'96, Feb. 4.	Saxonville.	W. C.
Lincoln B. Goodrich,	'93, June 29.	'97, Sept. 21.	Marlboro.	P. C.
Robert F. Gordon,	'76, May 12.	'90, Feb. 4.	Weston.	P.
Theodore J. Holmes,	'59, Oct. 5.	'94, Sept. 18.	Hopkinton.	P. C.
Thomas C. Jackson,	'82, Aug.	'95, Sept. 17.	Maynard.	P.
Jesse H. Jones,	'61, May 19.	'69, Oct. 5.	Halifax.	P.
Truman A. Merrill,	'58, July 14.	'88, May 1.	Malden.	W. C.
Martin F. Mevis,	'93, Sept. 18.	'94, May 1.	Southboro.	P.
Francis N. Peloubet,	'57, Dec. 2.	'72, Feb. 6.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Clarence W. Rouse,	'90, Dec. 4.	'95, Dec. 3.	S. Sudbury.	P. C.
Albert D. Smith,	'88, Oct. 4.	'97, Feb. 2.	Northboro.	P.
Frederic E. Sturgis,	'68, Oct. 1.	'86, May 6.	Natick.	P. C.
Charles L. Tomblen,	'77, Aug. 30.	'95, Dec. 3.	Ashland.	P.
Nicholas Vander Pyl,	'93, Sept. 13.	'96, May 5.	Holliston.	P. C.
John Wood,	'40, April 8.	'71, Dec. 5.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
Granville Yager,	'76, June 20.	'92, Sept. 20.	Boston.	W. C.

Licentiate. — George W. Fiske, Holliston.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, May, and December, third Tuesday in September.

Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wellesley Hills scribe.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION, Organized January, 1827.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James M. Bell,	'58, July 21.	'93, Nov. 21.	N. Leominster.	P.
Henry E. Bray,	'89, Jan. 30.	'93, Jan. 17.	S. Framingham.	W. C.
Charles S. Brooks,	'69, Sept. 15.	'87, Sept. 20.	Hyde Park.	W. C.
Wilson R. Buxton,	'94, May 2.	'94, Nov. 20.	So. Acton.	P.
Walter W. Campbell,	'90, Nov. 12.	'90, Nov. 18.	Concord.	P.
Bernard Copping,	'79, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 17.	Acton.	P. C.
Amelia A. Frost,	'94, Feb. 14.	'94, Nov. 20.	Littleton.	P. C.
George B. Frost,	'83, June 7.	'94, May 22.	Littleton.	W. C.
Henry H. Gay,	'89, April 16.	'92, Mar. 15.	Groton.	W. C.
Edward L. Gulick,	'89, Dec. 3.	'91, Sept. 15.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Horace F. Hallett,	'91, July 7.	'96, Jan. 21.	Ayer.	P.
Charles S. Haynes,	'94, May 23.	'97, Sept. 21.	Lancaster.	P. C.
George R. Hewitt,	'86, June 4.	'95, Mar. 19.	Fitchburg.	P.
Edwin R. Hodgman,	'49, May 17.	'51, May 6.	Townsend.	W. C.
Henry M. Holmes,	'65, May 10.	'79, Jan. 7.	Provincetown.	W. C.
Alfred S. Hudson,	'67, Dec. 19.	'84, Dec. 30.	Ayer.	P.
John E. B. Jewett,	'51, Sept. 10.	'61, May 7.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Richard H. Kennedy,	'92, Sept. 29.	'96, Nov. 17.	*San Mateo, Cal.*	P.
Joel D. Miller,	'66, April.	'71, July 5.	Leominster.	Editor.
Frank E. Mills,	'78, Nov. 13.	'98, Mar. 15.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Horace Parker,	'61, May 31.	'64, Mar. 1.	W. Tisbury.	P.
Albert B. Peabody,	'60, May 24.	'92, Mar. 15.	Boxboro'.	P.
Charles H. Rowley,	'81, Feb. 23.	'86, Mar. 2.	Townsend.	P.
Geo. R. W. Scott,	'68, Sept. 17.	'81, Jan. 11.	Leominster.	P.
Charles H. Talmage,	'82, Sept. 17.	'98, May 24,	Cambridge.	W. C.
George A. Tewksbury,	'63, Dec. 21.	'95, Sept. 17.	Concord.	P.
Nathan Thompson,	'65, Sept. 13.	'77, Sept. 4.	*Baltimore, Md.*	W. C.
Ole O. Thorpe,	'94, Mar. 1.	'96, Jan. 21.	Concord.	P. C.
Charles C. Torrey,	'55, Sept. 7.	'86, Sept. 21.	Harvard.	P.
Joseph Torrey,	'60, May 30.	'94, Jan. 16.	Shirley.	P.
Louis B. Voorhees,	'71, Dec. 6.	'94, May 22.	Groton.	P. C.
David Wallace,	'94, Aug. 22.	'97, Sept. 21.	Lunenburg.	P.
Bartlett H. Weston,	'90, May 29.	'90, May 20.	Dunstable.	P.
Franklin P. Wood,	'71, July 24.	'73, May 6.	Acton.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. William J. Batt, scribe and treasurer.

15. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION, Organized May 11, 1811.

William H. Alexander,	'91, Oct. 29.	'96, April 21.	*England.*	W. C.
Henry Clay Alvord,	'79, Sept. 10.	'87, Feb. 15.	South Weymouth.	P. C.
Andrew W. Archibald,	'76, Aug. 24.	'97, June 15.	Brockton.	P. C.
William T. Beale,	'82, June 7.	'95, Dec. 17.	Campello.	P.
E. Victor Bigelow,	'91, Sept. 24.	'91, Dec. 15.	Cohasset.	P. C
Frank E. Butler,	'87, June 22.	'96, Dec. 15.	South Weymouth.	P.

15. Norfolk Association (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles F. Clarke,	'92, Dec. 7.	'97, Feb. 16.	West Newbury.	P.
Almon J. Dyer,	'86, June 4.	'98, Feb. 15.	Sharon.	P. C.
Daniel Evans,	'91, May 26.	'91, Dec. 15.	East Weymouth,	P. C.
Wilson S. Fritch,	'93, April 22.	'96, June 16.	Abington.	P. C.
Augustus A. Fuller,	'78, Oct. 17.	'95, Feb. 19.	South Easton.	P.
Edwin N. Hardy,	'90, Nov. 6.	'95, Dec. 17.	Quincy.	P. C.
Calvin G. Hill,	'72, Sept. 5.	'84, June 10.	Malden.	Ch. Miss.
Charles A. Hilton,	'73, June 9.	'94, Feb. 20.	Randolph.	P. C.
Alan Hudson,	'92, Dec. 28.	'93, April 18.	Brockton.	P.
Frank S. Hunnewell,	'88, June 27.	'92, Feb. 16.	Whitman.	P.
Henry S. Huntington,	'66, Jan. 31.	'91, Oct. 17.	Milton.	P.
Walter P. Hutchinson,	'93, April 19.	'94, April 17.	N. Abington.	P.
Robert R. Kendall,	'78, Jan. 30.	'92, Dec. 20.	Weymouth Heights.	P. C.
Joseph Kyte,	'62, Sept. 25.	'96, Feb. 18.	S. Braintree.	W. C.
John M. Lord,	'51, Dec. 21.	'93, Dec. 19.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Warren F. Low,	'94, Sept. 4.	'95, Feb. 19.	Holbrook.	P. C
Samuel Morrison,	'65, Oct. 24.	'90, Oct. 28.	Braintree.	W. C.
Edward Norton,	'64, Dec. 28.	'75, Jan. 26.	Quincy.	P.
Karl F. Ohlson,	'88, Dec. 6.	'95, June 11.	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*	P.
Frank H. Palmer,	'80, Sept. 28.	'86, April 20.	Matfield.	P.
Elbert S. Porter,	'83, Dec 19.	'89, Oct. 29.	Bridgewater.	P. C.
Caleb L. Rotch,	'79, Oct. 9.	'97, Oct. 26.	Stoughton.	P.
Henry S. Snyder,	'85, Oct. 28.	'98, Feb. 15.	Weymouth.	P.
Albert K Teele,	'45, July 15.	'52, April 27.	Milton.	P. Em.
Thomas H. Vincent,	'89, Feb. 6.	'97,Dec. 28.	N. Weymouth.	P.
Franke A. Warfield,	'71, June 10.	'82, June 13.	*Omaha, Neb.*	P. C.
Isaac C. White,	'50, Oct. 23.	'90, June 10.	Plymouth.	W. C.

Licentiates. — Edward O. Grover, Arlington, May 8, 1873; Morris H. Turk, Oct. 28, 1896.

Stated Meetings. — Last Tuesday in October, third Tuesdays in December, February, and April, and second Tuesday in June.

Rev. Robert R. Kendall, Weymouth Heights, scribe and treasurer.

16. Old Colony, Organized August 18, 1810.

Harry L. Brickett,	'83, May 23.	'96, Feb. 12.	Marion.	P. C.
William Carruthers,	'58, June 16.	'92, Feb. 10.	Holyoke.	C. M.
John Graham,	'90, Jan. 17.	'90, Feb. 12.	Westport.	P.
Henry M. Grant,	'63, Nov. 17.	'79, Oct. 22.	*Charleston, S. C.*	P.
Ivory H. B. Headley,	'77, Jan. 4.	'80, April 28.	Roslindale.	Evan.
Charles F. Hersey,	'93, Jan. 25.	'94, Nov. 14.	New Bedford.	W. C.
George W. C. Hill,	'95, Sept. 11.	'95, Nov. 13.	Acushnet.	P. C.
Robert Humphrey,	'83, July 17.	'97, Feb. 10.	Mattapoisett.	P.
Matthew C. Julien,	'72, Dec. 11.	'78, July 30.	New Bedford.	P. C.
John A. MacColl,	'83, Jan. 31.	'90, Feb. 12.	New Bedford.	P. C

16. OLD COLONY (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
George H. Perry,	'88, April 7.	'93, Nov. 15.	Lakeville.	P.
Robert L. Rae,	'89, Oct. 14.	'90, Feb. 12.	Brockton.	P.
George W. Stearns,	'83, Aug. 1.	'95, Nov. 13.	Middleboro.	P. C.
Richard G. Woodbridge,	'81, April 6.	'94, Nov. 14.	Middleboro.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in February, May, and November.
Rev. Robert L. Rae, 12 Argyle avenue, Brockton, scribe.

17. PLYMOUTH, Organized May 18, 1858.

Haig Adadourian,	'97, Nov. 3.	'97, Nov. 16.	Manomet.	P.
Ebenezer Alden,	'43, Nov. 3.	'58, May 18.	Marshfield.	P. Em.
Charles S. Bates,	'90, June 6.	'97, Nov. 16.	Hanson.	P.
John W. Brownville,	'73, Dec. 18.	'85, Nov. 17.	Erving.	P.
Seelye Bryant,	'90, Oct. 1.	'97, Nov. 16.	Scituate.	P. C.
Austin S. Chase,	'76, Dec. 14.	'93, May 8.	*E. Hartford, Ct.*	W. C.
Zenas Crowell,	'77, Dec. 19.	'86, Nov. 16.	Kingston.	P. C.
Ernest C. Davis,	'94, Dec. 5.	'95, Nov. 19.	Plympton.	P.
Oscar F. Davis,	'95, Jan. 16.	'95, Nov. 19.	*Neligh, Neb.*	W. C.
Vaola J. Hartshorne,	'65, Jan. 16.	'91, Nov. 17.	Halifax.	W. C.
Edward N. Kirby,	'85, Apr. 19.	'97, Nov. 16.	Hanover.	W. C.
Adoniram J. Leach,	'89, April 7.	'93, Nov. 21.	Marlboro.	W. C.
Frederic W. Manning,	'91, Dec. 31.	'92, Aug. 16.	Marshfield.	P. C.
Solomon G. Merrick,	'86, Sept. 2.	'96, Nov. 17.	Duxbury.	P.
Francis Moon,	'80, July 2.	'89, Nov. 19.	Chiltonville.	W. C.
George H. Morss,	'64, May 11.	'95, Feb. 19.	*Oakdale, Ct.*	P.
Ernest W. Shurtleff,	'89, Nov. 16.	'92, Aug. 16.	Plymouth.	P. C.
George Sterling,	'74, Dec. 8.	'95, Feb. 19.	Windsor.	P.
John Wild,	'92, April 20.	'92, Aug. 16.	Hanover.	P.
George W. Wright,	'77, Dec. 5.	'93, Nov. 21.	Boston.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, May, August, and November.
Rev. Zenas Crowell, Kingston, scribe.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH, Organized July 2, 1822.

Milan C. Ayres,	'74, May 30.	'85, Feb. 15.	Newton Centre.	Editor.
Smith Baker,	'60, July 30.	'94, April 4.	E. Boston.	P. C.
David N. Beach,	'76, June 15.	'85, Feb 17.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	P. C.
Reuben A. Beard,	'79, Sept. 10.	'98, Jan. 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Joseph P. Bixby,	'62, April 30.	'79, Sept. 16.	Revere.	W. C.
Howard A. Bridgman,	'90, Nov. 19.	'87, Dec. 13.	Boston.	Editor.
G. Wolcott Brooks,	'77, Oct. 10.	'85, April 21.	Dorchester.	P.
Samuel C. Bushnell,	'79, June 4.	'90, May 28.	Arlington.	P. C.
Charles M. Carpenter,	'90, April 22.	'95, Feb. 6.	Cambridge.	P.
Samuel M. Cathcart,	'96, Dec. 1.	'97, May 25.	Chelsea.	P. C.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles F. Crathern,	'86, Sept. 1.	'93, Dec. 6.	Braintree.	P.
George Darling,	'50, July 12.	'93, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William C. Detling,	'97, Mar. 3.		Centreville.	P.
M. Angelo Dougherty,	'69, June 15.	'87, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Walter S. Eaton,	'91, April 26.	'94, Feb. 7.	Revere.	P. C.
Robert E Ely,	'90, Dec. 11.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridgeport.	W. C.
George H. Gutterson,	'78, Dec. 3.	'95, June 10.	Winchester.	Sect.
Stephen H. Hayes,	'54, Aug. 20.	'71, Feb. 21.	Boston.	W. C.
Sam'l E. Herrick,	'63, Oct. 13.	'65, Feb. 21.	Boston.	P. C.
John V. Hilton,	'60, July.	'77, Dec. 18.	*Boulder, Col.*	W. C.
Elijah Horr,	'67, Apr. 21.	'97, Nov. 30.	Brookline.	W. C.
Ross C. Houghton,	'69, April 18.	'95, June 10.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Charles E. Jefferson,	'87, Sept. 29.	'87, Dec. 13.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Frank H. Kasson,	'79, Nov. 13.	'83, Sept. 18.	Boston.	Editor.
Horace H. Leavitt,	'73, June 19.	'95, Feb. 6.	Somerville.	P. C.
Duncan McDermid,	'86, Oct. 28.	'93, Feb. 8.	Edgartown.	P.
Richard H. McGown,	'82, Mar. 7.	'97, Mar. 30.	Everett.	P.
Alexander McKenzie,	'61, Aug. 28.	'67, April 16.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Peter McQueen,	'91, May 8.	'93, Oct. 4.	Somerville.	P. C.
Sylvester S. Nickerson,	'76, Dec. 26.	'89, Sept. 25.	Boston.	P.
Charles L. Noyes,	'80, Mar. 29.	'83, Feb. 20.	Somerville.	P. C.
Charles Olmstead,	'83, Sept. 27.	'90, Mar. 26.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Leonard S. Parker,	'38, Dec. 16.	'87, Feb. 8.	North Cambridge.	A. P.
Lawrence Phelps,	'78, Sept. 5.	'92, April 5.	Boston.	W. C.
Charles H. Pope,	'65, July 27.	'97, Mar. 30.	Charlestown.	P.
Edward G. Porter,	'68, Oct. 1.	'69, Dec. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Frank E. Ramsdell,	'91, June 30.	'97, May 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Edward K. Rawson,	'72, Oct. 9.	'83, April 10.	*Annapolis, Md.*	Chaplain.
James H. Ross,	'78, Feb. 22.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Isaiah W. Sneath,	'84, Feb. 27.	'89, Mar. 26.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Edward Sampson Tead,	'78, Sept. 17.	'86, Feb. 12.	Somerville.	P. C.
Calvin Terry,	'46, Dec. 20.	'61, June 18.	North Weymouth.	W. C.
Charles F. Thwing,	'79, Sept.	'79, Dec. 16.	*Cleveland, O.*	Pres.
Arthur Truslow,	'96, Sept. 30.	'98, Jan. 25.	Winthrop.	P. C.
Robert W. Wallace,	'72, Jan. 26.	'97, Nov. 30.	Somerville.	P. C.
George Washburn,	'63, July 29.	'78, Oct. 13.	*Constantinople.*	Pres. Coll.
Albert Watson,	'71, June 27.	'94, Feb. 7.	Everett.	P.
Albert E. Winship,	'75, Mar. 17.	'76, June 13.	Somerville.	Editor.
James C. Young,	'91, Aug. 25.	'97, Nov. 30.	E. Boston.	

Licentiates. — A. H. Coar; H. Oliver Hannum, 1896; F. J. Noyes, 1897; Charles R. Blood, 1898.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. Frank E. Ramsdell, Cambridge, scribe.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH, Organized January 27, 1829.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Allbright,	'79, June 6.	'91, Mar. 11.	Dorchester.	P.
Charles H. Beale,	'80, April 5.	'95, Jan. 16.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Warren F. Bickford,	'76, June 20.	'92, May 11.	Islington.	S.
William H. Bolster,	'72, June 13.	'93, Nov. 10.	Dorchester.	P.
George M. Boynton,	'63, Oct. 28.	'80, Nov. 10.	Newton Centre.	Sec.
Donald Brown,	'90, Sept. 9.	'96, Mar. 18.	Malden.	W. C.
William R. Campbell,	'81, Oct. 12.	'81, Nov. 9.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Francis E. Clark,	'76, Oct. 19.	'84, Jan. 16.	Auburndale.	Y. P. S. C. E.
Perley B. Davis,	'62, Jan. 29.	'63, July 7.	Dorchester.	P.
Morton Dexter,	'73, April 30.	'84, Mar. 12.	Boston.	Editor.
Charles A. Dinsmore,	'85, July 20.	'96, Mar. 18.	South Boston.	P. C.
Albert E. Dunning,	'70, Sept. 29.	'71, Jan. 2.	Boston.	Editor.
Solomon P. Fay,	'49, Sept. 6.	'82, Mar. 8.	Dorchester.	W. C.
George H. Flint,	'94, Oct. 22.	'96, Jan. 15.	Boston.	Assist. P.
Addison P. Foster	'66, Oct. 3.	'86, May 4.	Auburndale.	Sect. A. S. S. U.
William Gallagher	'74, Dec. 1.	'98, Jan. 12.	S. Braintree.	Prin.
Richard B. Grover,	'81, Oct. 4.	'92, May 11.	Roslindale.	P.
Benj. F. Hamilton,	'65, June 28.	'72, Mar. 12.	Roxbury.	W. C.
John A. Hamilton,	'61, Jan. 29.	'85, May 13.	Newton.	Sec. A. E. S.
Hiram Houston,	'50, Sept. 25.	'90, Mar. 12.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Henry N. Hoyt,	'76, May .	'98, .	Hyde Park.	P. C.
Albion H. Johnson,	'65, Oct. 13.	'83, May 9.	Clarendon Hills	P.
John L. Kilbon,	'89, June 28.	'92, Sept. 14.	Newton Centre.	Editor.
Frederick T. Knight,	'97, Oct. 5.	'97, Nov. 10.	Wollaston. .	P.
Arthur Little,	'63, Mar. 16.	'89, Sept. 18.	Dorchester.	P. C.
Achilles L. Loder,	'77, May 8.	'91, Nov. 5.	Hyde Park.	W. C.
Samuel L. Loomis,	'80, Oct. 14.	'97, Sept. 29.	Boston.	P. C.
Charles D. Lothrop,	'54, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Ellis Mendell,	'79, June 4.	'80, May 12.	Boston.	P. C.
Frank W. Merrick,	'91, Oct. 12.	'91, Nov. 5.	W. Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Morgan,	'76, Mar. 15.	'95, Jan. 16.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Charles A. Perry,	'82, Nov. 16.	'96, Jan. 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
Albert H. Plumb,	'58, Nov. 10.	'85, Jan. 14.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Joseph B. Seabury,	'75, Sept. 8.	'85, May 13.	Dedham.	P. C.
Charles B. Smith,	'48, Nov. 12.	'79, July 9.	West Medford.	P.
Judson Smith,	'66, Oct. 17.	'85, Mar. 11.	Auburndale.	A. B. C. F. M.
P. Thomas Stanford,	'78, Sept. 26.	'95, Nov. 13.	N. Cambridge.	P.
George F. Stanton,	'66, June 6.	'90, Jan. 15.	Boston.	P.
Herbert W. Stebbins,	'83, Aug. 28.	'97, Sept. 29.	Boston.	W. C.
A. C. Thompson,	'42, July 27.	'42, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Eugene C. Webster,	'90, May 28.	'94, Sept. 19.	Neponset.	P. C.
Charles F. Weeden,	'88, April 4.	'96, Jan. 15.	Norwood.	P. C.
John H. Whittaker.	'93.	'98, May 11.	Atlantic.	P.
Cyrus L. D. Younkin,	'93, April 8.	'92, Mar. 9.	Boston.	M.

Licentiates. — Albert H. Plumb, jr., William C. Fessenden, Arthur P. Pratt.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. George H. Flint, Boston, scribe and treasurer.

20. SUFFOLK WEST, Organized January 8, 1867.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James L. Barton,	'85, June 29.	'97, Feb. 8.	Newton Cen.	A.B.C.F.M.
William E. Barton,	'85, June 6.	'93, June 12.	Boston.	P. C.
Adolph A. Berle,	'87, Sept. 14.	'91, Dec. 14.	Brighton.	P. C.
Douglas P. Birnie,	'85, Aug. 12.	'91, Feb. 9.	*Honolulu.*	P. C.
Erastus Blakeslee,	'80, Feb. 17.	'94, Feb. 12.	Brookline.	W. C.
Ezra H. Byington,	'59, Feb. 23.	'91, Feb. 9.	Newton.	W. C.
Wolcott Calkins,	62', Oct. 22.	'80, Feb. 8.	*Kansas City, Mo.*	P.
George H. Cate,	'79, April 2.	'94, June 11.	Boston.	Assist. P.
Edward L. Clark,	'61, Aug. 8.	'93, April 11.	Boston.	P. C.
William H. Cobb,	'72, April 18.	'88, June 11.	Newton Cen.	Cong. Lib.
Calvin Cutler,	'62, Mar. 12.	'68, Feb. 4.	Auburndale.	P. C. Em.
Charles H. Daniels,	'73, Nov. 20.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton. Sec.	A.B.C.F.M.
William H. Davis,	'77, July 5.	'96, Oct. 12.	Newton.	P. C.
Samuel W. Dike,	'69, Feb. 8	'87, Oct. 11.	Auburndale,	Sec.N.D.R.L.
John M. Dutton,	'76, June 11.	'92, April 25.	Newtonville.	P. C.
Parris T. Farwell,	'83, Oct. 23.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	P. C.
Frank L. Ferguson,	'85, July 21.	'97, Oct. 11.	Claremont, Cal.	Pres.Coll.
Bradford M. Fullerton,	'68, Feb. 12.	'81, Dec. 18.	Brockton.	W. C.
Daniel L. Furber,	'67, Dec. 1.	'57, Jan. 16.	Newton Centre.	P. Em.
George P. Gilman,	'72, Aug. 28.	'85, Oct. 6.	Waverly.	P.
George A. Gordon,	'77, Jan. 20.	'86, April 20.	Boston.	P. C.
Daniel Green,	'79, Dec. 18.	'94, Feb. 12.	Newton.	P.
William E. Griffis,	'77, May 31.	'86, Dec. 14.	*Ithaca, N. Y.*	P. C.
John O. Haarvig,	'83, Oct. 13.	'95, Dec. 9.	Allston.	P. C.
Harris G. Hale,	'91, Sept. 3.	'97, April 12.	Brookline.	P. C.
Charles E. Harrington,	'74, Oct. 27.	'95, Dec. 9.	Waltham.	P. C.
Charles E. Havens,	'81, Sept. 15.	'94, April 9.	Newton Highlands.	P. C.
George A. Hood,	'69, Sept. 30.	'96, Feb. 10.	Newton. Sec. C. C.	B. S.
Edwin Leonard,	'52, Mar. 25.	'93, Dec. 11.	Dover.	P. C.
John L. Maile,	'72, July 14.	'92, Feb. 8.	*Fargo, N. D.*	Sect.
Darius A. Morehouse,	'65, June 18.	'90, Dec. 3.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Edward M. Noyes,	'83, Sept. 26.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton Centre.	P. C.
Henry J. Patrick,	'54, Nov. 16.	'67, Jan. 8.	Newtonville.	P. C. Em.
George G. Phipps,	'68, Jan. 23.	'78, Dec. 10.	Newton Highlands.	W. C.
Edward C. Porter,	'84, June 24.	'90, Feb. 10.	Watertown.	P. C.
Theodore P. Prudden,	'74, Dec. 22.	94, Dec. 10.	W. Newton.	P. C.
Isaac O. Rankin,	'80, July 21.	'96, June 8.	*Peekskill, N. Y.*	W. C.
Oliver D. Sewall,	'92, Sept. 27.	'97, Oct. 11.	Brookline.	Assist. P.
William S. Smith,	'54, April 27.	'74, Dec. 8.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Charles M. Southgate,	'70, Dec. 15.	'96, Feb. 10.	Auburndale.	P. C.
S. Lewis B. Speare,	'74, Jan. 30.	'96, Dec. 14.	Newton.	W. C.
E. Ellsworth Strong,	'59, April 10.	'67, April 8.	Auburndale.	Editor.
Reuen Thomas,	'58, Dec. 7.	'76, Feb. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Alexander S. Twombly,	'59, Feb. 10.	'93, April 11.	Newton.	W. C.
Avery S. Walker,	'57, June 15.	'95, Dec. 9.	Needham.	P. C.
Edwin B. Webb,	'50, Sept. 11.	'67, Jan. 8.	Wellesley.	P. Em.

Licentiates. — Arthur W. Kelley, Auburndale, renewed Feb. 12, 1894; Edward P. Kelley, Auburndale, April 15, 1895.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Mondays of February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. George G. Phipps, Newton Highlands, scribe.

21. TAUNTON, Organized November 21, 1826.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Wm. W. Adams,	'60, Jan. 26.	'64, Nov. 29.	Fall River.	P. C.
Franklin K. Beem,	'95, July 18.	'95, Nov. 13.	Berkley.	P. C.
Charles Clark,	'94, Dec. 12.	'95, Jan. 16.	Ward Hill.	P.
Samuel V. Cole,	'89, Oct. 29.	'89, Nov. 13.	Norton.	Pres. Sem.
S. Hopkins Emery,	'37, Nov. 23.	'75, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	W. C.
Vernon C. Harrington,	'94, Oct. 23.	'97, Mar. 10.	*Cleveland, O.*	P. C.
Elwin L. House,	'88, April 22.	'94, May 8.	Attleboro.	P. C.
Herbert K. Job,	'91, Oct. 28.	'92, Jan. 13.	N. Middleboro.	P. C.
Calvin Keyser,	'75, Dec. 28.	'91, Mar. 10.	*Goshen.*	W. C.
Josiah W. Kingsbury,	'66, June 28.	'89, May 8.	Braintree.	W. C.
Halah H. Loud,	'97, Dec. 16.	'98, Jan. 12.	E. Taunton.	P.
Payson W. Lyman,	'71, May 10.	'89, May 8.	Fall River.	P. C.
Henry G. Megathlin,	'96, Dec. 19.	'97, Jan. 13.	Fall River.	P. C.
Thomas F. Norris,	'79, April 13.	'97, Mar. 10.	Somerset.	P.
Frank Park,	'95, July 16.	'95, Nov. 13.		
Sidney K. B. Perkins,	'60, Jan. 11.	'88, Jan. 11.	Raynham.	P.
Edward N. Pomeroy,	'68, Nov. 11.	'82, May 10.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Charles A. Ratcliffe,	'91, April.	'97, Mar. 10.	N. Attleboro.	P.
T. Clayton Welles,	'72, Oct. 25.	'92, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
John Whitehill,	'61, Dec. 11.	'69, Nov. 10.	Oldtown.	P.
Martin L. Williston,	'70, Mar. 3.	'97, Nov. 10.	N. Attleboro.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, and November.

Rev. Payson W. Lyman, Fall River, scribe and treasurer.

22. WOBURN, Organized September, 1833.

Charles Anderson,	'74, Sept. 2.	74, Sept. 15.	*Constantinople.*	Robt. C.
William F. Bacon,	'67, Sept. 26.	'90, Feb. 4.	Medford.	W. C.
John Barstow,	'87, June. 29.	'95, Feb. 19.	Medford.	P. C.
William J. Batt,	'59, Sept. 29.	'75, Nov. 16.	Concord Junc.	Chaplain.
Theodore P. Berle,	'93, Oct. 3.	'93, Oct. 17.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Charles R. Bliss,	'59, April 28.	'62, Nov. 18.	*Chicago, Ill.*	W. C.
Charles F. Carter,	'83, Sept. 13.	'97, Feb. 17.	Lexington.	P. C.
Judson Van Clancy,	'87, Sept. 7.	'96, Mar. 17.	W. Medford.	P. C.
Joshua Coit,	'60, Nov. 13.	'89, Jan. 29.	Winchester.	H. M Sec.
Marshall M. Cutter,	'68, Dec. 29.	'74, Nov. 17.	Brookline.	W. C.
Albert P. Davis,	'94, Nov. 22.	'95, Feb. 19.	Wakefield	P. C.
Walter A. Evans,	'86, June 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	Maplewood.	P.
Cyrus Hamlin,	'38, Oct 3.	'91, Dec. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	'67, Oct. 17.	'86, Mar. 16.	Wilmington.	P. C.
Henry A. Hazen,	'58, Feb. 17.	'74, Sept. 15.	Auburndale.	Sec. N. C.
James L. Hill,	'75, Sept. 15.	'87, June 13.	Salem.	W. C.
Burke F. Leavitt,	'73, May 7.	'95, Jan. 29.	Melrose Highlands.	P. C.
George E. Lovejoy,	'73, July 16.	'94, May 9.	*Pittsfield, N. H.*	P. C.

22. WOBURN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Daniel March,	'45, April 25.	'77, May 15.	Woburn.	P. C. Em.
D. Augustine Newton,	'82, Sept. 21.	'85, Dec. 16.	Winchester.	P. C.
Isaac Pierson,	'70, Mar. 30.	'96, Oct. 8.	S. Medford.	P.
Doremus Scudder,	'85, June 17.	'95, Dec. 17.	Woburn.	P. C.
Edwin Smith,	'65, Jan. 11.	'88, May 1.	Bedford.	P.
Peter Vincentius,	'88, Aug. 19.	'89, Jan. 29.	East Boston.	P.
Joshua W. Wellman,	'51, June 18	'74, Mar. 17.	Malden.	W. C.
William H. Willcox,	'50, Mar. 5.	'58, Jan. 19.	Malden.	W. C.

Licentiate. — Henry F. Burdon.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, September, and November.

Rev. Albert P. Davis, Wakefield, scribe and treasurer.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL, Organized November 4, 1823.

August L. Anderson,	'86, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	Worcester.	P.
Thomas E. Babb,	'69, Jan. 19.	'94, April 3.	Holden.	P. C.
Orange C. Bailey,	'85, Oct. 13.	'94, Nov. 13.	Worcester.	P. C.
Albert E. Bradstreet,	'88, Aug. 30.	'95, Nov. 12.	Oxford.	P.
Sherman W. Brown,	'93, June 6.	'96, Nov. 10.	Spencer.	P. C.
Albert Bryant,	'65, Sept 20.	'86, Feb. 2.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Daniel E. Burtner,	'90, Sept. 25.	'94, Nov. 13.	Boylston.	P.
Edward M. Chapman,	'90, Sept. 9.	'93, Nov. 14.	Worcester.	P. C.
Arcturus Z. Conrad,	'85, June 2.	'90, Feb. 3.	Worcester.	P. C.
Amos H. Coolidge,	'57, April 21.	'67, July 7.	Worcester.	W. C.
Sidney Crawford,	'70, Dec. 8.	'93, Nov. 14.	Rutland.	P.
Joseph W. Cross,	'34, Oct. 1.	'41, Jan. 5.	Lawrence.	W. C.
William N. T. Dean,	'75, Feb. 3.	'89, Feb. 5.	*Middlebury, Vt.*	W. C.
Austin Dodge,	'66, Oct. 6.	'90, Feb. 4.	Burlington.	P.
George S. Dodge,	'72, Aug. 16.	'78, May 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Dodge,	'83, Sept. 25.	'84, Feb. 5.	Worcester.	P.
Henry C. Fay,	'58, Dec. 28.	'81, May 2.	Somerville.	W. C.
Walcott Fay,	'84, Feb. 20.	'90, Feb. 4.	Nantucket.	P.
George H Gould,	'62, Nov. 12.	'76, Feb 1.	Worcester.	W. C.
Samuel A. Harlow,	'82, Oct. 15.	'96, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Hurlbut,	'75, Mar. 24.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
William W. Jordan,	'84, Oct. 9.	'94, Nov. 13.	Clinton.	P. C.
Edward A. Lathrop,	'95, Nov. 26.	'97, April 6.	Shrewsbury.	P.
Alexander Lewis,	'90, May 28.	'96, April 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Joseph F. Lovering,	'60, June 17.	'88, April 3.	Somerville.	W. C.
Archibald McCullagh,	'71, May 2.	'91, April 27.	Worcester.	P. C.
Henry F. Markham,	'80, Sept.	'95, Nov. 12.	Berlin.	P.
John H. Matthews.	'91, May 5.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P.
Daniel Merriman,	'68, Sept. 30.	'78, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	P. C.
Eldridge Mix,	'60, Dec. 6.	'94, April 3.	Worcester.	C. M.

23. Worcester Central (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William B. Oleson,	'77, Dec. 4.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	P.
Ariel E. P. Perkins,	'44, Sept. 18.	'88, April 3.	Worcester.	W. C.
Ellsworth W. Phillips,	'91, Oct. 19.	'92, Feb. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles M. Pierce,	'63, Sept. 2.	'91, Feb 3.	Auburn.	P. C.
George H. Pratt,	'60, Oct. 11.	'94, Nov. 13.	Sterling.	P.
David C. Reid,	'84, July 29.	'96, April 7.	Leicester.	P. C.
Casper F. Scherff,	'76, April 9.	'90.	Clinton.	P.
William T. Sleeper,	'54, June 29.	'54, Sept. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.
Burritt A. Smith,	'65, Mar. 15.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	Teacher.
Rufus M. Taft,	'93, June 16.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	Evan.
Edwin S. Tingley,	'71, Feb. 1.	'85, May 5.	Milford.	W. C.
Albert G. Todd,	'90, June 10.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Tuttle,	'83, May 22.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P. C
J. Charles Villiers,	'86, May 31.	'95, Nov. 12.	*Old Lyme, Ct.*	P.
Charles A. White,	'73, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 10.	Princeton.	P.
Inman L. Willcox,	'89, Oct. 18.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P. C.

Stated Meetings. — First Tuesdays in February and April, and second Tuesday in November.

Rev. E. W. Phillips, Worcester, scribe.

24. Worcester North, Organized June 18, 1818.

Rolla G. Bugbee.	'76, Nov. 8.	'98, Jan. 25.	Athol.	P.
George E. Chapin,	'79, Aug. 20.	'94.		P.
Joseph S. Cogswell,	'68, Nov. 14.	'94, Jan. 23.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
Francis J. Fairbanks,	'64, Aug. 31.	'95, July 9.	Royalston.	P.
Davis Foster,	'55, Nov. 1.	'69, Nov. 27.	Winchendon.	P. C.
John H. Garman,	'47, Nov. 3.	'66, Oct. 2.	North Orange.	W. C.
Burton S. Gilman.	'97, May 16.	'97, April 26.	Gardner.	P. C.
Edwin S. Gould,	Oct. 1, '73,	'94, Jan. 23.	*Providence, R. I.*	W. C.
John W. Hird,	'79, Mar. 19.	'91, April 28.	Baldwinville.	P.
Milan H. Hitchcock,	'57, Aug. 25.	'63, April 28.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert V. House,	'94, June 20.	'95, April 23.	New Salem.	P.
Gustavus W. Jones,	'69, May 27.	'91, April 28.	Winchendon.	P.
Gabriel B. Kambour,	'93, April 5.	'93, April 25.	Templeton.	P. C.
Francis B. Knowlton,	'65, Aug. 29.	'86, Jan. 26.	Athol.	W. C.
John W. Lees,	'70, Nov. 16.	'96, April 28.	Westminster.	P.
William M. Parks,	'97, Nov. 30.	'98, Jan. 25.		
George J. Pierce,	'72, Aug. 8.	'82, April 25.	Phillipston.	W. C.

Stated Meetings. — Fourth Tuesdays in January, April, and October, and second Tuesday in July.

Rev. Francis B. Knowlton, Athol, scribe.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH, Organized in 1818.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Frank G. Alger,	'86, July 22.	'96, Dec. 10.	Blackstone.	P.
Frederic A. Balcom,	'82, Jan. 9.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Saylesville, R. I.*	P.
William A. Benedict,	'49, June 27.	'76, Oct. 10.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Henry A. Blake,	'76, Sept. 13.	'89, Oct. 8.	Webster.	P.
William T. Briggs,	'46, Nov. 4.	'66, July 10.	East Douglas.	P. Em.
Frank L. Bristol,	'75, Oct. 25.	'88, Oct. 9.	Uxbridge.	P.
James H. Childs,	'75, Oct. 7.	'85, Jan. 13.	Northbridge.	P.
David M. Didriksen,	'92, July 13.	'92, Oct. 11.	Millville.	P. C.
George P. Eastman,	'91, May 12.	'92, Jan. 12.	Millbury.	P. C.
John C. Hall,	'90, May 20.	'92, Jan. 12.	Sutton.	P. C.
David Howie,	'89, Feb. 27.	'94, Oct. 9.	Saundersville.	P.
Lyman Mevis,	'91, Oct. 1.	'92, Jan. 12.	Carlisle.	P.
Aaron B. Peffers,	'55, May 29.	'93, April 11.	Douglas.	P.
George A. Putnam,	'60, Nov. 14.	'71, Oct. 17.	Millbury.	P. C.
Benjamin A. Robie,	'66, Mar. 22.	'84, Oct. 14.	Grafton.	P.
John R. Thurston,	'59, Jan. 20.	'72, Jan. 9.	Whitinsville.	P. C.
Alexander Wiswall,	'79, Sept. 24.	'94, Jan. 9.	Upton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in March, June, September, and December.

Rev. James H. Childs, Northbridge, scribe.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.[1]

REV. HENRY A. HAZEN.

The General Association comes to the beautiful valley of the Connecticut, and to this fine town of Greenfield, for its ninety-sixth Annual Meeting. We represent six hundred churches. We should have reported this number in the Year-Book, but for the omission of two names of churches, which have ceased; but it is safe to assume that as many have been organized since the year came in.

One of these churches is associated with Rhode Island; the others are united in twenty-five Conferences, of which Hampden is the largest, with its forty-six churches, and Mendon the smallest, with its thirteen churches. When Mendon has been mentioned, as it has been for several years, with the credit of making the first and very prompt report, brethren from other Conferences have been heard to suggest, that, if they had no larger number of churches, they could do as well. But it is only fair to remind them, that the promptness of Mendon is due to other causes, as well as its number of churches. The pastors and members of the Mendon churches have organized the matter of reporting effectively. They take interest in securing prompt reports, and make it their own business to see that there is no unnecessary delay. When other Conferences will take like interest, and bring like energy to bear, the results will surprise them.

It is time for Massachusetts to take a forward step in this matter. New Hampshire calls for every report in January, and, unless the circumstances are exceptional, admits no reports received later. The result is that New Hampshire's two hundred churches were reported to the Year-Book in excellent shape, on Feb. 5th, a date at which only nine of our Conferences had been heard from.

Is there any good reason why the rule of our conferences should not be as advanced as that of the State of New Hampshire, — all church reports to be made in January, and all Conference reports to be ready for the State Secretary as soon as the compilation can be made up after? Massachusetts has always been a pioneer in her statistics and the matter of their improvement. I believe she is ready to hold that place by farther improvements, and I suggest the completion of her tables for the Year-Book by Feb. 15th, or before, as the next step due. The last form of the Year-Book will be printed this week, a small gain over other years. It might have been ready May 1st, if a half dozen tardy States had reported by March 20th.

To our roll of churches we add seven this year, but with two omitted the gain is only five. We add 7,092 to our membership, of whom 3,912 joined on confession of faith; and 5,038 are removed, 1,828 by death.

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But our gain of members, which should be. according to these figures, 2,026, is reduced by discrepancies in reports to 1,788.

In the Sunday Schools we have gained more, 2,690; and we may take what added satisfaction we can in this gain, in view of the fact that in the whole country there is reported not a gain but a loss of 1,871. In this connection I ought to advise you, as I do with regret, that an error of 5,000 found its way into the Massachusetts summary, and has failed of correction in the Year-Book summary for the State. It is duly corrected in the general summary tables of the Year-Book.

Our benevolent contributions reach a total of $609,473, $49,078 less than last year. Our home expenditures have increased almost as much. Add the two together, and the total of $2,238,872 shows a falling off of $7,122. We have not yet reached the gain, so much needed, and prayed for, in the current of our benevolent offerings,' which should lift the cloud from the treasurers of our benevolent societies, and give them the glad command to go forward in enlargement of their work at home and abroad.

In this connection we cannot forget that we meet today under the cloud of war. We have prayed long that it might be averted, but the God, whose wonder working providence makes no mistakes, has willed otherwise. We believe that our cause is just, the cause of humanity; and we can appeal confidently to God, for his favor, a favor which we reverently think that he has already and wonderfully shown us. We trust that peace may soon come, but whatever confidence we feel of this issue, we must not disguise the gravity of the situation, and the great responsibility which it brings to our churches, if our various benevolent activities are not to suffer contraction and grievous loss. God is putting our consecration to his service to the test. Let us labor and pray that we may be found faithful, and come forth as gold tried by fire.

And in such an hour we need, if possible, more than ever, a gracious baptism of the Holy Spirit to save us from the always demoralizing influences of war, added to worldliness, and to prepare us for the enlarged opportunities of service which the war and its issues must bring. If our session in Greenfield can be used to these ends it will be a blessing to us and to the churches.

I may remind you, that the tenth session of the National Council is near It will be held in Portland, Or., beginning July 7. It will be our duty and privilege to name twelve delegates, from Massachusetts, to the Council; and it is important that such delegates be named, as can and will discharge this service. It is believed that we shall have a full attendance, and an important session of the Council, at this first meeting, on the Pacific.

The plans for the Second International Council, to be held in Boston in 1899, are making good progress, and we have every reason to look for a great and inspiring assembly. The Congregational Club, of Boston, asks the privilege of representing our churches in the matter of the hospitality due to the coming Council; and I have a communication from their committee, to present to you.

TREASURER'S REPORT.[1]

WILLIAM A. PAINE, *Treasurer, in account with the* GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 10, 1898.

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1897.		
May 10.	To balance from last report	$4,063 05
	" assessment on 110,644 members at three and one half cents	3,872 53
	" Essex South Conference arrears for 1896	19 16
	" Pilgrim " " " 1896	40 00
	" Norfolk " " " 1896	38 82
		$8,033 56

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1897.		
By Samuel B. Forbes, treasurer National Congregational Council, year 1897		$2,203 58
" " " " " " " 1898		2,224 46
" Alfred Mudge & Son, printing Minutes		636 31
" " " " miscellaneous printing		166 19
" Committee on Gambling, expense		5 50
" " " Labor, "		52 42
" Rev. H. A. Hazen, salary		500 00
" " " " stationery, postage, etc.		88 90
" James W. Flagg, expense, attendance at meeting		5 54
" amount due from Barnstable Conference, 1897 account		10 05
" " " " Middlesex Union Conference, 1897 account		127 51
" " " " Norfolk Conference, 1897 account		26 46
" " " " Old Colony Conference, 1897 account, No. Ch., New Bedford,		18 10
" " " " Pilgrim Conference, 1897 account		40 57
" profit and loss, Berkshire North Conference, Lanesboro Church		28
" " " " " South " Alford Church		64
" " " " Brookfield Association, Ware, French Church		94
" " " " Mendon, South Franklin		56
" " " " Suffolk South Conference, over assessment		28
" " " " Taunton, F. R. French Church		2 03
" " " " Worcester Central, over-charge		1 75
" " " " " South, "		27
" cash on hand, May 10, 1898		1,921 22
		$8,033 56

There is also due the General Association from the Barnstable Conference, for the year 1896, $10.39.

WM. A. PAINE, *Treas.*

This certifies that we have audited the accounts of Wm. A. Paine, Treasurer of the General Association of Massachusetts, for the year ending May 10, 1898, and find them accurately cast and properly vouched. The balance in the treasury, per statement of the Beacon Trust Company, is $1,921.22.

H. N. ACKERMAN.
THOMAS TODD.
HOWARD A. BRIDGMAN.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES.[1]

REV. T. CLAYTON WELLES.

The Redemptive Work of the Church outside the Individual Parish.

Your committee on the work of the churches have planned this year in direct connection with the provisional committee to bring before this meeting as clear and vivid a view as possible of the great redemptive ministry, appointed of Christ for all his disciples.

That work for us may be thought of as in two main divisions, viz., that which we ought to do ourselves, and that which we ought to get done.

The responsibility for either division is equally direct and inevitable, and it rests upon every church and every disciple truly loyal to Jesus Christ. Because a servant of the world's Redeemer may be so situated that he cannot regard it as his personal duty to go himself into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, that special commission and command is by no means deprived of pertinence to him. He may be able to say in full persuasion, "My Lord has appointed other duties for me; he does not ask of me to go from home." But that persuasion should not release him from the obligation to send, or help to send, some one else to do the thing the Lord would like to have done. Jesus looked upon the *world* as his field, and to the collective company of his followers he gave the most imperative instruction to go forth and cultivate that world-field for spiritual results. He excepted no part of the field, and he excused no individual friend from participation in that effort. THE REDEMPTIVE WORK OF THE CHURCH outside the individual parish is as truly a part of the proper concern of each church and each member as the ministry within the limits of the immediate locality. The *work is all one* as well as the field, and all the divisions of it are to be prosecuted from the same motives of love and loyalty to the one Lord. Every part of it is dear to the heart of him who loved the whole world, and sent his Son, that whosoever believeth should not perish, but have everlasting life.

It is as honorable, and as true to Christian principles, for a member to shirk paying his part of the running expenses of his own church, as it is for him to refuse to meet his share of the broader ministry in our city, home, and foreign missions. Whatever may be our fair share in the salvation of Salt Lake City or Ahmednagar (India) rests with the same quality of obligation upon us as our share of the prosperity of the home parish in any city or town in the State of Massachusetts. I do not say that the obligation is of the same magnitude, but it certainly is of the

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same quality. If, in the mind of the Master, a Massachusetts servant ought to give one hundred dollars for the vigorous support of his own local church, and one hundred dollars to carry on all the various forms and branches of Christian work outside the individual parish, the second hundred dollars is to be considered as on precisely the same plane of obligation as the first, and paid with the same fidelity and fulness.

The loyal citizen of the United States is not only interested to have the stars and stripes wave in honor and glory over his own door, but he is vitally concerned also to have that flag carried aloft, and defended with valor and greeted with respect around the globe.

It is not only the business of the Christian soldier to maintain the interests of Jesus Christ in his own parish, but also to support and magnify and defend those interests under the banner of the cross unto the ends of the earth.

And so your committee have turned this year to view, we trust it may be from even a higher standpoint of privilege and consecration, the wider responsibilities and efficiencies which, because they are more remote in their application, have possibly seemed not so near to our hearts' devotion, our earnest prayers, our sympathetic consideration, and our self-sacrificing support as they should.

The first inquiry upon the circular sent to each one of our almost six hundred churches in the Commonwealth was as to

THE WORKERS SENT OUT AND THE FUNDS CONTRIBUTED

for this larger field during the past year.

Perhaps it is fair to consider it as one significant feature of the condition which confronts us, that although the committee took the additional trouble to make their circular an issue by itself, unconnected with the annual statistical reports, and sent an urgent and fraternal letter requesting sympathetic co-operation from pastors and clerks, and gave ample time for returns, yet three hundred and eighty-eight out of five hundred and ninety-three churches — almost two thirds of the entire number — were so intent, it is to be hoped, upon the work of redemption inside their own parishes, that neither pastor nor clerk made the slightest response to the overtures of the committee. If the inquiries had concerned an increase in the pastor's salary, instead of a better support for our workers on missionary ground, do you suppose responses would have been any more general? A few who did respond sent their apologies instead of their reports, and so we have statistics on approximately two hundred churches, interested in the general work and in the special theme enough to send in their figures and experiences.

From these two hundred churches twenty-six members have been sent out or sustained in purely missionary fields, three ministers have been ordained, and many laborers have been furnished for adjacent places to scatter the good seed and gather fruit unto eternal life.

These churches have contributed $231,116 to sustain and advance the cause of Christ beyond their own borders, an average of over $1,100 per

church, $4.30 per member. If the large gifts of a few in some of the churches were counted out the average would be reduced to $3 per member. The Elliott Church, Newton, has given the largest amount, $23,627, an average of $40 for every member of the church. The church at Whitinsville has reached the greatest average, $69 per member, and $16,573 in the aggregate; and this is not the unusual record of a single year, for last year they gave $80 per member, and for the last ten years they have averaged over $60 apiece. Four more churches have attained an average of over $15. The First, in Fall River, gave $30 per member, $6,564 in all. The Fourth, in Haverhill, $27 per member, $550 in all. The First Church, Newton Centre, gave $21 per member, $8,148 in all, and the Second Church, Dorchester, $16 per member, and $10,473 for the entire church. Sixteen churches reach an average of over $10 per member, but a still greater number fall below $1 per member.

Recognizing the fact that people must know about the work in order to give intelligently and largely the second question was,—

"WHAT HAS BEEN DONE TO INFORM AND INTEREST THE PEOPLE IN THE SEVERAL BRANCHES OF THE MISSIONARY WORK?"

The responses show that the general rule is, to have the special cause, for which a collection is taken, presented at the morning service, before the offering, by the pastor, or some representative of the society whose work is to be aided. This does not always take the whole time of the sermon. In many cases only a brief statement is made; but in one hundred and sixty-four this much is done, and in many of them this seems to be all that is done to "inform and interest the people in the several branches of our missionary work" from January to December. Thirty-nine of these churches often give a Sunday evening, several of them as often as once a month, which is their way of observing the Monthly Concert, to a missionary topic, and in not a few of these cases this meeting is under the auspices of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

Seventy-six of the two hundred reporting churches have given an occasional mid-week prayer-meeting to the consideration of our missionary work. In all sixty-four, either in the midst of the week or on Sunday evening regularly observe the Monthly Missionary Concert.

More than half of these churches bring the missionary causes into the Sunday school, reading letters from the fields, listening to missionaries and agents, and making contributions.

One hopeful aspect of the situation is that one hundred and forty-four of these two hundred churches have Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, and the missionary work is a prominent and constituent part of that organization, and very practical methods of coming into living touch with the wide field, both in information and contribution, are in constant operation. One hundred and twenty-seven of these churches have their women organized, auxiliary to the Women's Board, and not a few have Children's Bands of various names, and occasionally even a Cradle Roll is reported. It appears, however, that in many of the churches

the women and the children are organized and instructed only in the Foreign Missionary department of the work. We do not think that the various forms of Christian effort *in the homeland* should be lost sight of by any part of the constituency.

In the matter of scattering information and awakening interest by distributing literature, a good beginning has been made.

Seventy-seven churches have made a distinct effort to get "Congregational Work" into their families, and a few report that it is sent at the general expense into every home. A score of churches have put the leaflets of the societies within reach of the people, and seventeen have given some attention to the circulation of the missionary magazines.

IMPROVEMENTS IN THE METHODS OF INFORMING AND INTERESTING PEOPLE in the various branches of our common work are numerously suggested. As you will see, some *valuable hints* are offered, for I shall let twenty reporters in the most condensed form speak for themselves.

"Enlargement, illustration, and wide improvement of attractiveness in Congregational work." "More interesting, timely, and inexpensive leaflets by the various boards for free distribution." "Our church has a Missionary Library of more than sixty volumes, and the books are read."

One says, out of the depths of his own experience, "I believe most heartily in the Monthly Concert." "Make members of the church honorary and life members of the various societies so that they will receive their publications." "We find it easier to keep up an interest because an honored son and member of our church in India is heard from occasionally. Let each church have a foreign representative." "Engage some wide-awake man whose duty shall be to visit every church once a year in the interest of missions." "More personal contact of the living missionary with the people. Not much, if any, begging by the pastors." "The living voice is better than the cold type. Let the secretaries get out more among the churches, and not hammer away at the ministers so much with appeals and circulars." "A deeper interest and a higher aspiration on the pastor's part. The congregation will ultimately reflect his light." "Make the entire missionary work more of the business of the church, recognized, systematized, and placed on an established basis." "Stereopticon exhibition of views. Round the world with the missionary." "Assign missionary topics and essays to people not interested and give them material to study. Every such essay means one more missionary enthusiast." "We are trying to secure improvement along two lines, — more general knowledge of the individual work of each society, and something from every member, to every collection." "Make sections for special study, as the Asia section, the A. M. A. section, and have reports from these once a month." "Not so much separate women's work. Not that the women should do less, but that the men and boys should be worked in more." "Organize stewardship leagues and tenth legions." "The missionary tea is a great inducement to people to come out, also to give." "Children's mission circles are the most promising. Train the little ones."

There are many others, but these seem to be the most practical and pertinent and there are some of them mentioned repeatedly. Some have no improvements to suggest, but would have such zeal and fidelity put into the methods commonly in use that they will surely bring forth fruit, and others urge variety because any methods will in time grow old. With many churches there is doubtless great room for improvement in the methods, but no method should be expected to walk alone, much less to carry a whole church upon its back.

The question with regard to the MISSIONARY OFFERINGS FOR THE DECADE was answered by so few, and in such merely approximate terms, that it was found to be impossible to base any legitimate conclusions upon them. On this point, however, I have done a little independent figuring from data at hand. I find that the benevolent contributions reported for the entire State of Massachusetts for the last ten years amount to $6,875,036, or more than $687,500 per year, and an average of $6.44 per member each year, or fifty-three cents a member per month, or less than two cents a day on the average for all the Congregational Christians of this Commonwealth, to furnish to the needy in the remainder of our own country, and in all the world the knowledge and the institutions of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

On the average more money is spent for candy and ice cream by the members of our churches than for the combined cause of all Christian missions. I find also that about twenty-five per cent of all our benevolent contributions can *not* be classified as given to our own missionary causes, of which our six denominational societies are the almoners, but is ranged under the head of "other," which must be recognized as an extremely indefinite term and not serving to cheer or sustain so much as *one* of *our* workers upon the wide field.

I find further that the benevolent contributions of the year 1887 are almost $50,000 more than for the year 1897. While the demands and the opportunities have greatly increased, and the church membership very considerably, the contributions have been comparatively going the other way. From all this it is very evident that the Congregational ministers and churches of this State need to realize more vividly that they have a wider work as well as the more immediate, and that there is a deep urgency upon them to rally to the support of their own enterprises carried on by their own agents only a little beyond the limits of their own parish.

THE METHODS OF SECURING THESE FUNDS show considerable variety. Most usual has been a regular offering in the church, announced before, or regularly appointed, on a Sunday morning, after a more or less extended presentation of the work toward which the contribution was to be applied. The weekly envelope system, often including the pledge cards, has been used most satisfactorily in many cases.

The personal and house-to-house canvas has been tried in many churches with excellent results. Some churches have found that a special offering, with an attractive speaker for the occasion to work up an enthusiasm, has brought in large responses. In a few, envelopes, sometimes accompanied

with leaflets setting forth the cause and its needs, have been sent out and have given a good account of themselves afterwards.

A very few use the Harris system, but they praise it highly. In some, "Extra cent a day" or "Two cents a week" bands, and "Stewardship Leagues," have been organized helpfully. In one case a lady of abundant means came to the pastor with a beaming face and announced that she had determined to join the ranks of the systematic givers in the church, and would henceforth give *one cent every day* to the great missionary work.

In a very few cases, missionary money has been raised by fairs and festivals, this especially by the ladies, the young people, and the children in their organizations, which are frequently mentioned as contributing a large portion of all the funds secured.

Nearly all of these are commended in the IMPROVEMENTS SUGGESTED IN METHODS FOR RAISING MONEY FOR MISSIONS.

The pledged, systematic, and regular offering from every member of the entire parish is the favorite method urged. The personal house-to-house canvas and district visitation in the interests of the more important causes finds many strong advocates. A collection every Sunday, to be divided *pro rata* among the different objects (practically the Harris system), is strongly advocated. "Enroll all the church in the 'Tenth Legion,'" expresses the idea of quite a number. "Issue circular letters, and tell the people the needs, and let them know just how far the money goes, and how each field is being supplied and worked," expresses the thought of others. "Apportion all missionary needs to the different States, then to the conferences, then to the local churches, and then expect every church to do its duty," is a repeated suggestion. Another says, "No one plan works well all the time," and he might have added, in every place.

The committee suggest that if results are not satisfactory any reasonable change may be tried for an improvement, in hopes of greater interest and contributions. And yet the main reliance of the committee is in the thought of the concluding question, HOW CAN WE RAISE THE ENTIRE MISSIONARY WORK TO THE PLANE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION AND ON TO THE LEVEL OF PRIVILEGE? As the committee hoped, the best thought of the reporters was centred upon this problem, and while some said, "I cannot tell," "I look to you to answer that question," many wise and helpful hints have been presented. I wish there were time to quote a hundred of these replies from men who are in daily and practical touch with the peculiarities of the situation. I must content myself with giving you a few, and condensing and classifying many.

It is conceded on all sides that something ought to be done to magnify our missionary work. In no report is there any satisfaction indicated with the present status of missionary interest or offerings. No one denies the obligation, no one belittles the privilege, of helping these larger activities to a more vigorous and fruitful development. How to do this is the chief question of our study and experiment. One pastor, who answers no

other inquiry on the list and gives no figures of actual offerings for missions from his church, proposes this ready and reliable specific for the low beating of the missionary pulse. He will raise the temperature "by placing a more definite, a more extensive, a more practical, a more enthusiastic *creed* at the head of Congregationalism. Get the doctrine of evolution into dogmatic creedal shape, not failing to connect it with missions." He does not suggest just how the connection should be made. The very next report on the list singularly declares, "Modern views have paralyzed, if not cut, the nerve of missions." There is an unmistakable call on the part of several intelligent and earnest pastors for a better systematizing of our missionary agencies as well as more systematic giving by the churches. Five separate and independent boards to supervise the work on the home field is held to be excessive, expensive, and unwise. There is a strong wish expressed that some of the annual meetings might also be consolidated. One puts it in this way: "Reform the administration, combine the societies, reduce the number of high salaried officers. The present lack comes from multiplying causes." But another urges "less criticism of the boards and societies on the part of pastors and especially the religious press." One wise pastor states four points so briefly and strongly that I will quote him entire. "(1) More prayer in public and in private. (2) More frequent and wiser preaching upon missionary themes. (3) Continued improvement of the quality of our missionary literature, and increased effort to have it read. (4) Study our Lord's way of looking at the world's need." And now more briefly: first, as to the man who by his position must be usually the link to connect the worker beyond with the workers and givers at home: "The hiding of the power is with the pastor." "If he will lead the way judiciously the result will be measurably reached." "By consecrated activity on the part of all the ministers." "Pastors should set the example in giving." "Nine tenths of it rests upon the pastor. The theological seminaries must give a prominent place to missions in their curriculum, and equip men for the great business of the church." "This missionary work ought to begin in the seminaries, ought to be taught and recited like Hebrew."

Then as looking toward the church: "By praying for it publicly, by talking for it in the pastoral work and setting a good example." "Talk, report, pray. Set a mark for each collection, watch machinery, bear on, and cultivate generosity and method." "Persuade them that they are not doing the best they can already." "Awaken a definite purpose in them to make money to supply the Lord's treasury." "Faithfully teach the Bible on the missionary aspect of Christianity." "Present the blessings of giving to God's work." "Get the people to pray believingly and sincerely, 'Thy Kingdom Come.'" "Our missionary work is more than almsgiving, more than a business enterprise, it is to seek and save the lost." "Get each member to feel as John Wesley did, 'The World is my parish.'" "Increase the number of contributing churches." "A larger denominational loyalty." "Openly glory in the work. Parsimony and joyful liberality are both contagious." "Intelligence as to

missions is the most effective promoter of enthusiasm and generosity." "Teach the needs and arouse sympathy." "Deepen the sense of personal responsibility for others." "Insist upon the authority of the Lord's last commission." "Emphasize proportionate giving as a duty and a privilege." "Encourage the tithe." This from a number. "Insist upon the duty and privilege of Christian Stewardship." "An earlier impetus toward the work." "Educate the children of the church." "Rear a generation of givers." "Stir a higher type of Christian character." "Deepen the spiritual life in pastor and people by a revival of pure religion." "By training all to see and accept true responsibility for Christian work as an essential of the spirit of Christian life." "Teach the church that the missionary spirit is the essential spirit of Christianity." "Emphasize the fact that when Christianity ceases to be a missionary religion, it begins to be a dead religion."

"More gratitude give me, more trust in the Lord,
More pride in his glory, more hope in his word."

Here, then, is our report as to the interest taken by our churches in the Redemptive Work for Christ, outside the limits of their own parishes, the contributions made for its support, and the study of its problems. We do not mean to be pessimistic, but nothing is gained, on the other hand, by shutting our eyes to the plain facts. And these seem to warrant the conclusion that there is a most lamentable lack of concern for this whole division of Christian responsibility and efficiency.

Multitudes do not care even to hear about these efforts which are being made to win our own country and the world for Christ. Missionary literature is not in demand, and is often unread when furnished free.

Prayer for the workers at the front or in the dark places is growing uncommon even in the pulpit and the prayer-meeting. The receipts of our societies, which are simply our agents for doing this work, have been falling short now for years, not only of funds imperatively needed for enlarging the operations, but of the absolute necessities for supporting the work already commenced and under the most promising headway. The order for retrenchment, which is often only another name for retreat, has been sounded throughout our mission fields in the home-land and around the world. According to the editor of one of our foremost missionary magazines the effort to Christianize the world is to-day in positive danger of "a fatal collapse," simply for lack of funds to sustain the laborers.

There never was so much promise on the field itself in every direction as at the present moment. The story of gains during the past year is marvellously cheering. The number of young men and women who are ready to go forth, matching their lives against our contributions, is greater than ever before, but there is no balance in the treasuries to send them to, or to sustain them on, the fields. In the Student Volunteer Movement for foreign missions alone there are over four thousand names enrolled, and yet the boards of all denominations are pathetically appealing for

funds enough to prevent the laborers already on the field from being discharged.

And yet there is no ground for dismay; there is no real cause for discouragement. There is money enough, I am convinced there is piety and consecration enough, to press all this work rapidly forward to ultimate triumph. But the pastors of our churches must rouse themselves to grasp and appreciate the true urgency of the issue. Then from the pulpits and from the headquarters of the societies and from the religious papers, and even from the secular press, there must go forth the trumpet call to all who love the kingdom of our God to give over some appreciable portion from selfish expenditure and accumulation, and bring the tithes into the storehouse in loyal devotion to the interests of the heavenly kingdom which is to fill the earth and abide forever.

When the good people in our churches are thoroughly informed as to the magnificent and world-wide opportunities now awaiting the coming of the Christian herald, as the crowning feature of the splendid results already achieved and now in actual progress at home and abroad, they can be depended upon, I am sure, to pray and labor, and contribute as may be needed, for the triumphant prosecution of the King's business beyond as well as within the local church.

BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

ANNUAL REPORT.[1]

To the General Association of Massachusetts:

The Congregational Board of Pastoral Supply respectfully presents its fourth annual report.

The period covered is the year ending at the first of May. The work of the office has continued large. We have rendered service during the year in matters directly connected with pastoral settlements to one hundred and thirty-six churches. This does not include the furnishing of occasional or temporary supplies. It does not count anything which has been done unofficially or incidentally, but only that which has been done in answer to direct requests from authorized representatives of churches. It is not meant that we have had a share in the making of this number of actual settlements, but that consultations with respect to the pastorate have been had with our office on behalf of this number of churches. Pastoral settlements have been made in thirty-nine churches resulting directly from recommendations originally and distinctly made by us. In other instances the share we have had has been sometimes large, sometimes but slight; in still others no settlements have yet been reached.

Consultations with ministers with respect to a change of pastorate, or with respect to the acceptance of a call that has come to them, are of continual occurrence; but no list has been kept of them.

Opportunies to preach as candidates for settlement have been furnished to one hundred and one men. In many cases there have been repeated opportunities.

With churches that have received their candidates directly from us the average number of such candidates that have been heard before a settlement has been reached has been two and fifty-eight one-hundredths. Eighteen churches have taken the first candidate that appeared before them. The average age of the men settled was about thirty-five.

Of the whole number of churches served by us in matters relating to the pastorate there were twenty-four churches having a membership of over three hundred; forty-seven having a membership of from one hundred to three hundred and sixty-five, with a membership of less than one hundred. Of these churches eighteen pay a salary of over $2,000, thirty-nine of between $1,000 and $2,000, and seventy-nine of less than $1,000.

We reckoned the number of Massachusetts churches that were without a pastor a year ago as forty-six. The number on the first of May of the present year was forty-four. It is not possible to secure absolute accuracy in these figures, since it is not always known at what time a reported

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resignation goes into effect; and since it does not in every case go into effect at all. For the purposes of this reckoning churches that have made engagements with ministers for not less than a year, and with an expectation of further continuance, are regarded as furnished with pastors.

A considerable proportion of the churches without pastors are very small. Several of these churches have become accustomed to the living in some manner without regular pastoral service.

There has been a material lessening of the number of churches without pastors within the last four years. In 1894 the number was fifty-nine by our mode of reckoning, as against the present number of forty-four, a decrease of twenty-five per cent. If we take out in each case the very small churches that make no effort to maintain a pastor, leaving those only that have been actually looking for pastors, or those having some natural expectancy in that direction, we find that this number four years ago was fifty-three while now it is thirty-eight. This is the proper form really of comparison. It appears thus that the number of pastoral vacancies in Massachusetts has, properly speaking, diminished within these four years by about thirty-five per cent. We do not suppose that this result is wholly due to the work of our office, but it is in part the effect of it.

It was stated last year that the comparing of pastoral settlements in which we have had some share with other settlements made during the same period in all other ways brought to light the remarkable fact that the ratio of pastoral *change* has been less with those in which we have had a part. This continues to be true. It is thus shown that so far the settlements in which we have had a share have been, taking the general average, more satisfactory than the others.

Our financial report, as in former years, is much less favorable than we could wish. The treasurer's account for the year is as follows : —

Receipts from churches	$1,487 01
" " individuals	15 00
" " office fees	177 02
" " preaching of secretary	563 42
	$2,242 45

Expenditures : —

Rent of office	150 00
Care of office	13 75
Advertising	31 20
Stationery, printing, and furnishings	42 63
Telegraphing	6 26
Postage	90 87
Travelling expenses	79 64
Salary of secretary's assistant	450 00
Salary of secretary in part	1,378 10
	$2,242 45

There has been a small increase from last year in the receipts from the churches. But the gain has not been nearly enough to meet the deficiency in income which has always existed. There is now due the secretary, $2,823.17. There are no other debts. The secretary would be glad to see this particular debt reduced.

Of the indebtedness now existing, $1,157.30 was incurred during the first year of the existence of the Board; and this is a little more than forty per cent of the whole. The deficiency for the year just closing was $621.90.

Our brethren of the Association will permit us to refer to the facts connected with the establishment of this Board. In 1892 a committee was appointed by the Association with this object in view. In 1893 this committee reported with recommendations, which the Association adopted. The vote as passed was this: —

"That the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts establish, at Boston, a ministerial bureau to be under the general direction and support of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts. . . . That the General Association of the Congregational churches assumes the responsibility of the bureau, and will rely on the churches and pastors for such financial aid as may be needed to carry on its work efficiently, and especially recommending the churches to contribute, annually, at least three cents a member toward the support of the bureau."

There were accompanying provisions for the organization of the bureau — the title of which has since been changed to Board. And the basis of contributions asked for from the churches has been changed from church membership to a percentage of the salaries paid.

It will be seen that the language was strong, and the responsibility assumed by the Association was full and complete. This action was reaffirmed in 1894. It was in full reliance upon what had thus been done that our office was equipped and opened, shortly after the meeting of the Association in that year. We have depended, and do depend, upon the support of the Association, thus repeatedly pledged. The affairs of the Board have been conducted with a purpose of economy; and the salaries paid to the secretary and his assistant together are less than the amount proposed for the secretary alone, in the report upon which the action of the Association was based. We gratefully remember, too, that the Association has not failed in each of the succeeding years, in 1895, 1896, and 1897, to express its approval of our work.

There has been no lack of consistency and of heartiness in all that has been done, — yet still it has not been found possible to secure the funds that were needed.

In one respect there has been substantial progress in each year. Nine of our twenty-five conferences have now authorized and requested their treasurers to collect the contributions of their churches in our behalf. Another, making ten, is understood to have taken action looking in the same direction. This is encouraging, and this process, if continued and completed, would give us all the support we need — unless, indeed, we

should perish before the relief should arrive. We hope not to perish. In the making of this change to the conference system it often happens, however, that in waiting for the particular time of the conference election to arrive, the contribution of one year is, in fact, missed; and this has occasioned serious losses during the last year. But this difficulty will occur but once in the case of any conference.

We should be glad if it might seem wise to the Association that it should itself undertake to collect directly the sum needed for the support of the Board, including this along with the other sums heretofore asked for from the churches. In that case, if the indebtedness of the Board were at once discharged, there would not be needed so large an amount as the one third of one per cent of the pastor's salary, for which we now ask. But for the making up of this deficiency, and for a short time only, not probably to exceed two years, we would recommend that the rate should be somewhat larger, and that it should be equal to one half of one per cent of the salary. We make this proposal as indicating the amount that might be needed for a time; we do not enter at all upon the question of the advisability of continuing these contributions upon the basis of percentages rather than in the form of a certain sum for each church member. Apart from the indebtedness, and in whatever manner the money may be raised, the sum ordinarily necessary to be received from the churches would be about $2,300, and this allows $150 for increase of rent in the new Congregational House. We bring this matter thus before you for your wise and generous consideration.

The work of our office can be done in a more thorough and satisfactory manner when these financial embarrassments are removed. All the time and thought of the secretary are needed, and urgently needed, in the proper business of his position; and he ought not to be much taken up with the raising of money. He has not meant to be. But with every effort to the contrary, the hindrance has at times been serious. In the same manner the Directors have been obliged in their meetings to give to financial matters much of that attention which should have been wholly bestowed upon the oversight and guidance of the work of the office. And further, if our Board can now be given the relief it needs, the General Association itself will have a share in the benefit, since we shall then make pleasanter or certainly shorter reports.

The furnishings and equipments of our office, though much improved from what they were at first, are still very inadequate, and with some further moderate expenditures in this direction our work would be greatly assisted.

We have had from the first most cordial relations with the Congregational churches of New Hampshire. The General Association of that State has under consideration propositions looking toward a union with Massachusetts in the maintenance of our Board. If such a union were effected it would be with an agreement that a certain number of Directors, probably three, should be chosen in New Hampshire, and that a certain fixed sum should be collected in that State for the support of the Board.

We recommend that the Directors be empowered on the part of our General Association to conclude such an engagement if opportunity should occur. If no such union is effected, our relations with New Hampshire will continue to be close and friendly.

For a considerable part of the service rendered to churches outside of Massachusetts we receive no pay. This must be so of necessity, and we have no expectation or desire that it should be otherwise. If we answer a letter of inquiry concerning a minister we could not wish to follow it with a charge requiring payment; yet the labor involved is often not slight. But we are glad if we may be in any such ways neighborly and helpful.

Committees representing the Congregational churches of Ohio and Illinois have written repeatedly to make inquiries concerning our organization and methods of work; and this correspondence has indicated plainly that there is a strong desire with many at the West for the establishment there of agencies similar to ours.

The business of our office brings to us continual knowledge of the difficulties and trials of our brethren in the ministry. We are sure that the larger part of the pastors of our churches are prosperous and happy in their work; but it is in the nature of the case that that which is most reported to us should be perplexity and concern rather than prosperity and contentment. Often we have the satisfaction of affording to these brethren some assistance. Too frequently we have the pain of being compelled to feel that we can do but little or nothing for them. This is peculiarly liable to occur with those who are somewhat advanced in age.

We desire that it should be understood among all our brethren that our office itself is most freely open to their coming upon any occasion of concern or interest to them. They are not to feel humiliated as they come. They do not come in any wise as those asking favors narrowly for themselves. They come of public right; they come by an appointment expressly made in behalf of the churches as much as for themselves. Our office is established in part to this very end, that no humiliation should ever be felt by a Christian minister having occasion to enter it. We may often be unable to render him such assistance as would be most gladly given; but we should be grieved indeed to think that he might ever fail to find with us a considerate and rightful welcome.

We wish to repeat the assurance given in former reports, that suggestions of improved methods or better administration of our office will always be thankfully received. We hope it does not need to be said that no minister will ever suffer in any wise on account of even the sharpest criticism that he may have occasion to make. We accept most heartily our full responsibility to the churches, and to the ministers in due measure as members of the churches. We are sensible of the extreme difficulty and delicacy of the duties laid upon us, and of the constant liability to weakness and error in the discharge of them. We know especially that no personal favoritism or personal prejudice should be allowed in our work; that absolute fairness and impartiality are first of all essen-

tial and indispensable to its fitting performance, and that the lack of these would utterly vitiate its character. It would be far too much to claim that perfect fairness is always secured; but it is not untrue to say that the necessity of it is kept daily and hourly in mind.

We ask your counsel and prayer to the end that this agency which you have established may be helpful to our churches and may be approved of God.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE AGAINST GAMBLING.[1]

Efficient restraint is irksome, and the efficiency of recent efforts to restrain gambling is indicated by attempts made in the legislatures of 1897 and 1898 to relax our present statutes so far as to permit the sale of pools at races. Your committee took occasion to call the attention of several members of the present legislature to this proposition in order to request the maintenance of the present law.

So far as we can learn, no effort to impair the strictness of the present statutes has had enough vitality to command any attention from the legislative body.

Again, so far as we can find, no municipality in this Commonwealth that has once taken issue against gambling at races has ever allowed the revival of it. It is therefore encouraging to note that the efforts made a year ago in the eastern part of the State succeeded, and Medford, Saugus, and Dedham suppressed race-track gambling. Northampton did as well.

There are, however, three places in the Commonwealth, for which even the charity of your committee could not claim that they suppressed pools at races, but as they are only three your committee do not consider extensive report called for at the present time. It desires, however, to acknowledge the activity of the Watch and Ward Society and the continued cooperation of the ministers of our denomination in Medford in maintaining and extending the enforcement of the law against gambling in Eastern Massachusetts.

We recommend the continuance of a committee against gambling.

We hope henceforth to spare you long reports, but such a body is needed for restraining grace so long as even three laggard municipalities fail to enforce the law, as well as to watch that the gains now so largely made be not forfeited, either by lapse of enforcement, or by stealthy manipulation of legislatures.

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REV. C. H. HAMLIN, *Secretary.*
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REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.[1]

We are Gaining on the Enemy.

A body of believers who are actuated by Christ's spirit is his church. The dominion of his spirit in every human heart is the object for which his church labors and prays. No question in its relation to this object outranks as a deterrent force what the people on the continent of Europe call "the curse of alcoholism," and what we call the vice of intemperance.

Therefore when we ask: What are the signs of the coming of his kingdom, whose right it is to rule and reign in every human heart, anything like an accurate answer will include careful note of the progress of this handmaid of "the kingdom" — the temperance cause.

We are asked to present a report of that cause for the State of Massachusetts, but such is the solidarity of our modern human life, that our progress is relative and dependent upon that of other parts of the world.

Philip II., of Spain in the sixteenth century, to exclude the doctrines of the Reformation, isolated the intellect of Spain from all the rest of the world by forbidding on pain of death, any citizen to leave Spain to read, learn, or teach anything, or to attend any university or place of learning in any country outside of Spain. The provincial, intolerant Spaniard of to-day is the result.

Never more than now was the cause of temperance in one place related to that cause in other parts of the world, for the whole problem turns on the answer to the question: What is the nature of alcohol as a beverage?

If used in moderation it is a safe drink, then opposition to its sale and use is fanaticism. But if on the contrary, it has the power when taken in small quantities to create an uncontrollable appetite for more, and if the gratification of that appetite blunts the conscience, hardens the heart, impairs the judgment, injures working ability, and causes, as Gladstone said, "worse human disaster than have war, famine, and pestilence combined," then is it a foe that must be met and vanquished before the kingdom of Christ will come.

Whether it must be vanquished depends, as already said, on the answer to the question: Is alcohol as a beverage a friend or foe?

History points to the long roll of ruinous consequences that follow in the wake of alcohol, but it cannot tell us whether these are due to the weakness of the drinker or, as was formerly supposed, to the nature of the drink. Science alone can answer that question, and as she continues her investigations with instruments of modern precision, and in many different lands, her testimony is increasing in volume and in uniformity of statement, all proving that alcoholic drinks are by nature subtle;

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dangerous foes to the moral, mental, and physical well-being of man; that a little alcohol, as found in the lighter liquors, has the power to create the appetite for more, which causes all the disaster we deplore; and that this is the result of the nature of the drink, not of the weakness of the drinker.

Space forbids our presenting but one instance of this testimony of science.

We have been told that, "If our people would only drink the lighter liquors, wine, and beer, etc., so common in Europe, we should have no drunkenness." Last summer, the "Congress Against the Abuse of Alcohol," that meets biennially on the continent of Europe to consider how the evils of drunkenness, which confessedly blights those countries, may be averted, held its session in Brussels, Belgium. The chairman of the temperance committee of this association, on learning that one of its members was invited to represent there the temperance movement in the United States, suggested that that member should appear also as a representative of the temperance committee of this association, and sent to the Congress letters of credentials to that effect. Therefore, the findings of that body are a legitimate part of this report.

The personnel of the Congress added emphasis to its utterances, for it was made up chiefly of representatives from the universities of Europe, and men connected with the governments of its nations.

Concerning those utterances, we have space to state only that every paper there presented which reported scientific investigation by university men who are trained to look into the face of nature and report, without bias, what they find, showed that, by the most painstaking scientific investigation, no place could be found in the healthy human economy for alcoholic drinks in any quantity. On the contrary, their investigations proved that alcohol injures health, diminishes both mental and physical capacity for work in proportion to the amount taken, and confirmed the testimony of August Forel, M. D., professor of physiology in the University of Zurich, who said: —

"Alcohol, which by slow, unperceived poisoning of the brain, first of all benumbs and destroys our higher ethical feelings, thinking, and willing, and renders us more animal and brutal than we should be otherwise, is the very worst enemy to the future of humanity."

Papers on the sociological aspects of "the alcohol problem," read by men from such wine and beer drinking countries as France and Germany, deplored the drunkenness, which they admitted is an existing menace which they would avert from their native lands.

If the use of wine or beer would prevent drunkenness, as the claim referred to asserts, then there should be no drunkenness in France, Germany, Belgium, and other wine and beer drinking countries of Europe, and there should have been no need of the Brussels Congress, made up of representatives of those countries, met to consider how the curse of alcoholism could be removed.

This latest testimony of science against alcoholic drinks is vital to

Massachusetts, as it is to every other people throughout Christendom, for the situation is this: The first cause of the drink evil everywhere is the misconception of the people. From generations of habit, custom, and appetite, the idea has been inherited that moderately used, alcoholic drinks are good, and that misconception leads to the beginning of their use, while the consequences that have followed are the nightmare of the ages. Every testimony of science, like that from the Brussels Congress, furnishes truth with which to correct these popular misconceptions.

Is it not a providential conjunction of events that as these testimonies of science in the old world, confirmed by similar investigations in the new, are brought to our attention, nearly every school-house in the land is not only open to receive it, but the law commands that the warning truth concerning the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics shall be taught all pupils in all schools in connection with other laws of health?

Massachusetts was one of the early States, in 1885, to make this a compulsory study. The law then enacted is weak with no penalty, and lacks important specifications which have been added from time to time to the temperance education laws of other States.

The world to-day is admiring the cool precision, the steady effectiveness of aim, of our sailor soldier boys during the naval battle at Manila in the Orient. How did it happen there that every shot told? God was there, but he works through human means and often sets forces in motion long before we see their bearing.

In 1886, the Congress of the United States enacted a law which requires all students in our national military and naval academies at West Point and Annapolis to be taught, in connection with physiology and hygiene, the nature of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics, and their effects upon nerves, senses, brain, muscles, and every other human tissue and function. Therefore the young men who for the last twelve years have been graduated from those institutions, and who are now manning our navy, have gone to their country's defence knowing that instead of helping in feats of skill and endurance, as men supposed it did when the war of the Rebellion broke out, alcohol blunts sense perception, clouds the brain, and impairs precision by deadening nerve control of muscles, thereby unfitting the drinker for important tasks requiring skill and prolonged effort.

Congress also ordered in that law that this study should be taught with text-books in the hands of those military and naval cadets, and that the nation should furnish the books, as it has furnished them, and good books too, during twelve years. Who can say that the hand that wrote the truth against alcohol in those books did not help to aim the guns at Manila?

But the Massachusetts law does not require its school boards to furnish text-books for this important study as they must for other branches, and what they are not obliged to do they fail often to see the importance of doing. And thus without suitable helps the study often goes by default; because neither teacher nor pupil can make bricks without straw.

The nation had sore need of skilled marksmen two weeks ago at

Manila, and Massachusetts with nearly one man in three in her population foreign born, has sore need of educating her future men and women to be intelligent abstainers from all forms of alcoholic drinks — humanity's worst foe. The temperance education laws of Illinois and New York have been revised to require, besides text-books, a minimum number of lessons that shall be pursued by all pupils on this subject in the various grades of the public schools, with examinations in the same for promotion from grade to grade, and in these States as in sixteen others, a penalty impends if the law is evaded in any of its particulars.

We are behind in the provision we have made for the education of our children in this important matter. Our temperance education law should be amended. It was through the influence of the Christian churches of New York, Illinois, and other States co-operating with temperance and other philanthropic organizations, that these laws have been strengthened in those States. Should not the Congregational churches of Massachusetts, the church of the Puritans, also help to secure a better law for the protection of the children of this Commonwealth from the enticements of alcohol?

Every State in the United States but four now has a temperance education law. There are sixteen million children of school age under this legislation. A great school literature, which has been proved accurate, and methods of instruction have been prepared on the subject, and every school day of the year millions of the future men and women of our land are learning why they should not drink alcoholic liquors.

What results can now be seen of this instruction?

The instructor in temperance physiology at our National Military Academy at West Point, says of the years following the introduction of that study into that school: —

"There has been a marked diminution in drinking at army posts which are officered by cadets who have had instruction in temperance physiology."

Graduating classes are reported as having no liquors at class suppers.

At the time the department of temperance education began its work in 1880 — eighteen years ago — a man in this country was not considered to be unfit for positions of responsibility requiring acute perception or the best exercise of any other faculty, because he was a moderate user of alcoholic drinks and tobacco. Men who were known to be moderate drinkers were unhesitatingly employed on railroads, steamboats, in watch factories, and other places requiring clear brains and steady nerves.

The fact that the estimate of the business value of such men is very much changed, and the relation of scientific temperance education in the public schools to that change, is well illustrated by the following incident: —

In 1896, one of the officers in a large railroad corporation was asked: "What led to the order issued by your company forbidding the employment of men to run trains who are users, when on or off duty, of alcoholic drinks or tobacco?"

The reply was: "Why, even the children in the public schools know that tobacco as well as alcohol blunts the perceptive faculties. You cannot expect to teach these things to the children, and trade not take the hint. We want the men who run our trains to be in full possession of all their faculties. We want the best service a man can give us for the money we pay him. We are surer of getting that from the men who neither smoke nor drink, and that is why we forbid these habits in the men in our employment."

The following from a daily paper furnishes testimony in the same line: —

"According to the Philadelphia *Times*, visitors to the German-American Saengerfest lately held in that city were greatly surprised at the abstemiousness exhibited by the representative local politicians.

It is also alleged by this newspaper authority that quite an array of local politicians turn down their glasses at banquets and social functions, and even boycott beer. The *Times* then remarks: —

"The politicians of the higher or abler class have arrived at the conclusion that they must keep a clear head, a good digestion, and sound health to enable them to climb to the top, and they act accordingly. The good old days when the political fraternity opened wine by the case on the slightest provocation or no provocation at all seem to have departed forever. Now, leading party men, both Republicans and Democrats, are quite as abstemious, so far as their personal habits are concerned, as the politicians of the Prohibition faith."

This is an interesting revelation, and clinches another point in favor of abstinence from alcoholic liquors. It shows that politics are governed by the same rules which are now applied to the management of all successful business enterprises, and that is, that a man ceases to be safe and efficient in proportion as he befuddles himself with drink."

The demand of the times is that whether a man is to run a bank, a railroad locomotive, or a political caucus, he must be at his best, and that is impossible when he is under the influence of the stuff whose certain tendency is to make him at his worst."

Nearly every occupation, respectable and responsible in character, has for some time been quarantined against the man who drinks, and now that the trade of politician is being classed in the list where abstinence is required, the drinkers have nothing left but the positions which are menial, and the final gutter to which the drink habit logically leads. By a process of social and commercial, if not natural selection the drink problem seems to be forcing its way to a final solution.

In connection with the above, it should be borne in mind that in Pennsylvania, where this condition is noted, one of the best temperance education laws has been longer in force than has a law of equal merit in any other State.

These are only a few of the abounding evidences of the indirect results of the children's getting the truth in the schools and carrying it home to their parents. Through this channel it has already successfully appealed

to the strongest instinct of business and of politics as well, namely, to that of self-preservation and self-advancement.

The following recent statement from a school superintendent is a fair sample of the direct results which are following the enactment of good temperance education laws: —

"I have had several years' experience under a similar law in another State, and in a school of more than seven hundred pupils. I saw the continued teaching of temperance physiology, at the hands of wise teachers, build up in that school a sturdy, well-grounded opposition on the part of the children to the use of tobacco and alcoholic beverages in all forms, which finally crystallized in the formation of a school society by and among the pupils, with a pledge that was voluntarily signed and supported by more than ninety-five per cent of all the children in that school. CHARLES S. DAVIS, *Superintendent of Schools, Amsterdam, N. Y.*"

And now comes the important information which we quote from the Medical Record published in New York, one of the most influential journals of the profession, that while the per capita consumption of alcohol is increasing in France, England, and other countries, it is decreasing in America, where the decrease since 1888 amounts to more than thirty per cent.

How much has temperance education in the public schools had to do with this decrease?

The first temperance education laws enacted in the United States began to go into force in the schoolrooms of our largest and most populous States, thereby reaching the largest numbers, in 1885 and 1886, and three years thereafter, in 1888, this persistent infiltration of truth against alcoholic drinks had reached the adult population through the children to such an extent as to begin to affect the per capita consumption of those drinks for the whole country.

We are probably more like the people of England than those of any other country.

In his annual alcoholic budget to the London *Times*, Dr. Burns recently estimated the drink bill of the United Kingdom for the year 1897 in round numbers at $760,000,000, an increase over the preceding year of about $16,500,000.

In England is done as much church temperance work, society and Band of Hope temperance work as is done in this country, and they have not had the classes that must be reached, increased by such a flood of foreign immigration as we have had. But they have no such system of continuous public school temperance education reaching all pupils as have we in this country; and this fact is evidence that to that system we are indebted for the fact that the consumption of alcohol is falling off in this country while it is increasing with our cousins across the water. The nations of Europe, realizing that in the education of their people against alcohol is their only hope, are groping toward what we have now attained.

Although the existing law of Massachusetts is weak, yet some good has

been done where conscientious school boards and teachers have given it a fair chance, as is shown by the license vote of this State, for the people who want these liquors generally want them sold in their communities.

From the State House records, it seems that in 1885, the year the Massachusetts temperance education law was enacted, there was cast in the whole State, a majority vote *for liceuse* of 27,536. In 1896, when the temperance education law had been in force eleven years, there had been for the five preceding years an average majority vote of 7,653 *against license.*

Therefore, we may estimate that the temperance teaching in the public schools, reaching parents through the children, has been a powerful factor in reversing the votes of the 27,536 majority for license in 1885, and in winning in addition, the 7,653 average majority vote which for five years has been cast for NO license, dating from 1891 to 1896, the last date from which we could obtain reliable figures.

The study of physiological temperance in the public schools has been the only new factor that has, during the period referred to, been added to previously existing influences that are active promotors of temperance sentiment. Therefore we are warranted in saying that if the limited amount of teaching under the existing law has been a factor in changing 35,189 votes against the saloon, it is the duty of this State so to strengthen the statute as to provide this warning education for every child in our public schools.

Your committee therefore submit the following resolution for your adoption: —

Rejoicing in the good that has been accomplished through the temperance education law of our State, we believe the time has come when that law should be so strengthened that it will insure a temperance education to every child in every public school in our Commonwealth.

We therefore, hereby instruct our Temperance Committee to do whatever they deem to be wise to secure this end.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.[1]

Matters relating to the observance of the Lord's Day have had an unusually prominent place at the annual meetings of this General Association since the year 1891. The recent movement began in two of the Conferences of the Connecticut Valley, which sent memorials to the Association asking for concerted action in the direction of a better recognition of the day of rest on the part of the railroad corporations in the State. Since that time this body has appointed committees each year to report on Sunday traffic, or Sunday labor, and Sunday observance. A number of the most influential pastors and laymen of the State have served on these committees, and their annual reports have led to most earnest discussions.

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The reports have presented facts gathered by large numbers of observers, in all parts of the State, in respect to the more common forms of Sunday desecration. The Association sent a vigorous remonstrance against opening the Columbian Exposition to the public on the Lord's day. The Association has also given its hearty endorsement from year to year to the New England Sabbath Protective League. It has sent petitions to the Legislature in favor of better Sunday laws. It has asked the co-operation of other denominations in efforts to secure a weekly rest day for laboring men. In 1896 a Pastoral Letter was sent by this body to all the Congregational churches in the State to urge the importance of explicit teaching, in the pulpit, as often at least as once a year, in respect to the duty of observing the Lord's Day; and also to urge upon Christian parents, and Sunday-school teachers, the duty of giving careful instruction from time to time to the children and young people under their influence, in regard to this matter.

Still, we have not made the duty of keeping the Sabbath more prominent than the Bible makes it. "The Sabbath," says a recent writer, "is as old as man. It antedates human history. As far as we can penetrate into the shadowy days of the past we find indications of its observance The Hebrews had it ages before the law was given from Sinai. It was not unknown to other ancient nations. The Decalogue did not create moral distinctions. We affirm the sanctity of marriage, because it is not a human invention but was ordained of God from the beginning. So we find the Sabbath at the very origin of Society, and we are expressly told that it is of divine appointment." The Sabbath was made for man, — not the Jewish Sabbath, but the Sabbath of the Creation. There is no other sin more frequently condemned in the Bible, or more severely punished, than the violation of the Sabbath. Our Saviour made the observance of the Sabbath very prominent in his practice and in his teaching. As his custom was he went to the Synagogue on the Sabbath day. He came not to destroy the law but to fulfil it. He treated the fourth Commandment just as he treated the fifth, and the sixth, and the seventh. He brushed aside the traditions of men, which had obscured and perverted those divine laws, and he brought out their spiritual meaning. "He found the day a burden, he made it once more a delight." As the Lord of the Sabbath day he reaffirmed its obligation, and taught that it was made for man, — the whole man, — body, soul, and spirit, — for men at all times, and in all places, because all men need its rest, and its opportunities for worship.

We certainly have not placed so strong an emphasis upon the duty of making a Christian use of the Lord's Day as our Puritan fathers did. The type of character which has been developed in the Congregational churches through their teaching and influence is, for us, a strong recommendation of that teaching. In the early years of this century, at the time of the great Unitarian defection, when a portion of the Puritan churches held tenaciously the ancient faith, they magnified the Puritan Sabbath as one of the divine institutions on which the growth of the Kingdom of God depended. The great revivals of religion among the evangelical churches

here during this century, with the growth of Home and Foreign Missions, have been closely connected with the observance of the Lord's Day. It would not be difficult to show from the history of our Congregational churches, that spiritual prosperity has gone along with a careful observance of the holy day; and that a neglect of the Sabbath has weakened the hold of religion upon the community, and has "cut the nerve of missions."

Nor has our General Association made the Lord's Day more prominent than it has been made by the expressions of the closest and most thoughtful observers, both among the friends of religion and among its enemies. It was Voltaire who said: "If you would defeat the Church, attack the Sabbath." And Renan said, after an observation of the so-called continental sabbath: "Christianity is dead, it has lost its Sunday." But Ralph Waldo Emerson, with his Puritan training, said: "The Sunday is the core of our civilization, dedicated to thought and reverence." Coleridge said: "I feel as if God, in giving the Sabbath, had given fifty-two springs in the year." Mr. Gladstone has said, "I attribute the prolongation of my life, and the preservation of the faculties I may still possess, to the observance of Sunday rest." The late Frederick W. Robertson, of Brighton, has left this statement: "I am more and more sure by experience that the reason for the observance of the Sabbath lies deep in the everlasting necessities of human nature." "The soul withers without it. It thrives in proportion to the fidelity of the observance." Archbishop Ireland has said: "There are many causes at work diminishing the power of religion; but one is assuredly this, the loss of reverence for the Sunday. The obliteration of Sunday is the proclamation of materialism; the making of man a mere machine to grind out material wealth. This is the latest danger of our present civilization." Joseph Cook has said: "Without Sunday there can never be a successful American republic. Give us a Parisian Sunday, from sea to sea, and in three generations you will need a Parisian army to keep the Republic in order."

This committee has received a great amount of evidence that the hold of the Christian Sabbath upon the people of our congregations is very strong This is especially true in the districts remote from the great cities. For more than two hundred and fifty years the people of Massachusetts have honored the Lord's Day. Our churches are made up, in large part, of people of New England birth, and the influence of eight generations of men who have kept the Lord's Day as a day of rest and of worship is one of the strongest factors in our Christian civilization. There are thousands of families in this State where the children are carefully trained to observe the day as of divine appointment. A great many remonstrances have come up from the people against the increase of railroad traffic on Sunday. A great many petitions have been sent to the Legislature, asking for such changes in the laws as will check the tendency to use the day as a day of toil, or of amusement. The plain people of the Common wealth are right upon this matter.

On the other hand, the influences that are unfriendly to the due ob-

servance of the day are very strong, and they are probably becoming stronger. We have the Sunday newspaper sold in almost every village and hamlet. We have several hundreds of Sunday trains, running, many of them, in violation of law. The electric cars carry great numbers of people every Sunday at a small expense away from the churches to places of amusement. In almost every community the Sunday bicycle keeps many people from the house of God. Many of the club-houses in the cities and suburban towns are open on Sunday, even during the hours of public worship. Young men who come from country homes, to secure employment on the electric cars, and on the railways, and elsewhere, find that they must work seven days in a week if they would keep their places. Theatres and other places of amusement are frequently opened on the evening of the Lord's Day on the pretence that the profits of the entertainment are to be given to some charitable object. At a recent hearing, before a committee of the Legislature, a large number or men of distinction and influence maintained that there is no divine authority for making a distinction between the Lord's Day and other days. They insisted that whatever may properly be done on Monday may be done on Sunday. Thus it is that many people of culture and influence among us are seeking to destroy that which a great English statesman has called "the corner-stone of our civilization." It is never safe to disturb a corner-stone. We do well to take heed to the warnings which have been given by eminent Catholics as well as Protestants, that the decline of reverence for Sunday is already weakening the power of religion among the people. In many places in the cities, and in some rural communities, the congregations are diminishing and the religious spirit is weakening because the love of pleasure and the love of money are breaking up the sacred associations connected with the day of worship. So that it has come to pass that the Lord's Day in Massachusetts is on the defensive.

What influences can be relied upon to restore the day to its place as a day of divine appointment?

In this matter we do well to walk by faith, not by sight. The Lord has taken care of His own day. If our eyes are opened to a spiritual vision we shall see that "they that be for us are more than they that be against us."

"The stars in their courses fought against Sisera."

This is not the first time in our history, when it has seemed to human view as though the Sabbath of Protestant England and America was passing away. But in each instance, the revival of the religious spirit in the churches has brought the people back to the observance of the Lord's Day with a fresh interest and devotion. The influences that support this institution are far-reaching and permanent.

The recent changes in respect to methods of locomotion, the great increase of wealth, the growth of a secular spirit, and the unbelief that goes along with these things, seem to be weakening the influence of spiritual religion, and the institutions of divine appointment. The burning bush is one emblem of the church in the world; "The bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed." The Sabbath which was made for

man must last as long as the work of redemption is in progress. The Sabbath has not gone, and it is not going. The tide ebbs and flows; but God takes care of His church, and the "gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."

The reports that have come to the committee this year have been in many respects encouraging. The Young Men's Christian associations have exerted a strong and consistent influence in checking violations of the Sunday laws, and in commending the religious use of the day by their own example and influence. The Woman's Christian Temperance Unions have their regular committees on Sunday observance, and they can be depended on to defend the Lord's Day, not only in their own meetings, but wherever there is need of their testimony. The representatives of these Unions have been conspicuous among those who have asked for the legal protection of the day at the recent hearings before the Legislature. The Rev. F. E. Clark, D. D., President of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, has recently said: "There are more than seventy-five thousand members of the Christian Endeavor societies in Massachusetts. The young people in these societies are peculiarly sensitive concerning the growing laxness with which the Sabbath is regarded in New England, and they fear the demoralization which they believe will come to our country, from a lax observance of the Lord's Day."

Our report last year gave an account of a vigorous movement in Springfield against Sunday base-ball. The Christian Endeavor Union of that city, with more than two thousand members, took a leading part in the movement. We learn, through the Springfield *Republican*, that the directors of the base-ball club of that city have now decided not to play Sunday games anywhere this season, although for five years before, they have played such games in a number of cities. This is one indication of the good effect of an appeal to the best public sentiment of a Christian community in behalf of the Lord's Day.

The secretary of the New England Sabbath Protective League, Rev. M. D. Kneeland, D. D., whose field covers the whole of New England, has presented his cause during the year in sixty-three of the Congregational churches in this State, including some of the largest of them. He reports an increase of interest among good people. The contributions to the treasury of the League have been so generous in these times of the falling off of benevolent contributions, as to show that the people have a living interest in this work. A large amount of literature connected with Sunday observance has been circulated. The addresses upon this subject, which were given a year ago before this General Association, have been reprinted by the League, and widely circulated.

A number of the pastors of our churches have been conspicuous for their advocacy of a more careful observance of the Lord's Day, not only in their regular ministrations at home, but in addresses before conferences, and Sabbath Conventions, and in advocating before committees of the Legislature the passage of laws to secure a weekly rest day to the working-men, and to check Sunday excursions and Sunday theatres.

The duty of keeping the day holy unto the Lord has been urged in many Sunday schools, as well as in a large number of Christian families.

Ex-Mayor F. O. Prince of Boston has recently said, in a letter addressed to a committee of the Legislature: —

"It has been truly said, that wherever the Lord's Day has been regarded as made for man, and observed as divinely directed, the condition of the people has been in every way superior to the condition of those where different customs prevail. There has been a higher social tone, a higher civilization, a tenderer humanity, a keener intelligence, more respect for law and order, better schools, and more advanced social conditions, than in countries where the ordinary labors and amusements have been persisted in. The Anglo-Saxon people have had strong convictions of the duty and propriety of recognizing the sanctity of the Lord's Day. This sentiment respecting the observance of Sunday is so strong and general, so deep rooted in the hearts of our people, that I think any change of the laws which would allow the day to be observed as it is in the continental countries of Europe would be not only offensive but intolerable. All who desire good government, and wish to have the community imbued with proper regard for social order, respect for law, and all the decencies which show a Christian civilization, would resist a change in our laws which would permit secular work or public amusements and diversions on Sunday."

This testimony from such a man shows the strong hold which the Lord's Day has upon a large class of the intellectual and political leaders of this Puritan Commonwealth.

On the other hand, some of the letters we have received complain of a certain apathy in the churches and among the ministers in respect to the Lord's Day. An eminent minister, who is the pastor of one of the most important churches in the Eastern section of the State, has written: "The churches fail to appreciate the efforts of those who are trying to prevent Sabbath demoralization. This demoralization is only a sign of other forms of demoralization. There is a sad lack of reverence in worship, and of reverence for parents, a lack of purity in politics, and a lack of the old integrity in business. The Sabbath was to be a sign, according to Ezekiel xx. 12, of other and deeper things than itself. All thinking people recognize a breaking away from respect for institutions, such as the family and the Church, and a reliance upon a sentimental religion, — which is a sort of jelly-fish piety."

The pastor of a leading church in central Massachusetts, himself one of the younger ministers, has written as follows: "The tendency is towards a lax observance, and a lax theory concerning the day. Some ministers in so-called orthodox pulpits ally themselves with the press (which wants its Sunday edition), to pull the day down. When will our ministers and others learn that Christianity itself will not long survive with all the institutions of Christianity gone? Here lies the trouble. My suggestion to the Committee is this: *prod the ministers, and make them ashamed of their sins of omission and commission as regards the Lord's Day.*"

In view of the various facts and consideration presented in this report, the Committee recommend the passage of the following resolutions, and ask that a time be set apart for their consideration: —

Resolved, That in view of the present alarming desecration of the Lord's Day, there is need of united and earnest prayer for divine help and guidance, and also of wise and vigorous action, along the whole line, to check the practices which are doing so much to weaken our churches, and demoralize our people.

Resolved, That we will discountenance, by our influence and example, those practices which are inconsistent with the teachings of the Scriptures in respect to the Holy Day, and that we will set forth in our families and Sunday schools and in our pulpits the divine authority of the Lord's Day, and will endeavor, as much as in us lies, to lead the people to use it as a day of Christian instruction, fellowship, and worship.

Resolved, That we recommend to our Congregational Publishing Society to publish a series of tracts adapted to the times, which shall set forth the divine authority for the Lord's Day; the far-reaching consequences of lax views and practices in respect to Sunday observance; and also point out what uses of the day will be most profitable.

Resolved, That the Committee on Sunday Observance be continued as one of the Standing Committees of the Association, and that it be enlarged, so as to represent every section of the State; and that this committee be instructed not only to present an annual report, but to send representatives to attend the meetings of the Conferences, and to bring this matter in practical ways before the churches, with a view to a more earnest and prayerful consideration of our special duty in respect to the teachings of Him who is the Lord of the Sabbath day.

EZRA H. BYINGTON,
F. L. GOODSPEED,
ALBERT H. PLUMB,
H. M. MOORE,
REUEN THOMAS,
Committee on Sunday Observance.

BOSTON, April 25, 1898.

ON THE WIDER CIRCULATION OF RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.[1]

The Committee on the Wider Circulation of Religious Literature has given attention during the year to the work committed to its charge.

As to the nature of this work, the wide opportunity for the doing of it, and the means easily at hand by which to accomplish it, we would refer to the reports made by your committee at each of the last three annual meetings of the General Association, and to be found in the printed Minutes for those years.

A large amount of literature has been gathered during the past year, and it is being forwarded to needy places.

Much more work of this kind is being done now than formerly, by individuals, and especially by Sunday schools, and societies of Christian Endeavor. The conviction is steadily growing in many minds that the surplus provision and the fragments should be gathered conscientiously from the library table, and given to the mentally hungry, "that nothing be lost."

We believe in such stewardship, and we recommend that a committee be appointed to advocate and guide it during the coming year.

FRANK BARROWS MAKEPEACE.
WILLIAM E. BARTON.
ELLIS MENDELL.

ON CONSOLIDATING MISSIONARY PUBLICATIONS.[2]

The periodicals now issued by our several missionary organizations are several in number, and vary in form and in frequency of issue. The American Board is represented by no less than four different periodicals, — the *Missionary Herald*, *Life and Light*, *Mission Studies*, and *Mission Day-spring*; each of which has its peculiar field and its special value in the presentation of the vast work in which this organization is engaged, and each of which is issued every month.

The Home Missionary Society has recently changed its one periodica from a monthly to a quarterly, somewhat enlarged in size and improved in general appearance, with a circulation of over 80,000. A similar change has been adopted by the American Missionary Association in respect to its periodical, *The American Missionary*; while the organs of the other three of our six societies are comparatively small in size, however valuable in their contents.

In addition to these regular periodicals, each separate from the rest, there has now been issued for somewhat more than a year, "Congregational Work," an inexpensive monthly through which all the societies, in one publication, seek to address the whole of our Congregational constitu-

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ency. This venture is still in its experimental stage; thus the outlook for its permanency and increasing value is said to be encouraging.

In view of the facts that the field of the American Board is so much more extensive than that of all the other societies combined, and that it unites in itself the various forms of work in which the other societies are engaged upon the home field, it appears to your committee that a distinct and separate place exists for the several publications of this organization, and that it would be unwise to attempt the consolidation of these, or any of them, with the periodicals that have to do with missionary work in our own land. However intimate the alliance between the home work and that in foreign countries, the fields themselves upon which the work is performed are so dissimilar that a peculiar reason appears for a distinct publication or publications of the Foreign Board.

The expediency of combining the several publications representing the home work, however desirable such combination may be, if regarded apart from other considerations, is to be examined in the light of two or three facts which have weight with your committee and lead to the conclusion that it is expedient to postpone, for the present, any attempt at consolidation.

The combined monthly known as "Congregational Work," itself the result of action taken by the National Council, is still to some extent an experiment. While warmly approved by many as reaching thousands in our churches who, were it not for some such condensed and inexpensive publication, would get little or nothing of missionary intelligence, it is yet too soon to determine whether it will have continued success, or meet the wants of our churches. It would seem the part of wisdom to allow to this enterprise longer time and fuller opportunity to work out its mission, before attempting another and a larger and more costly experiment of a like kind.

The change of two of our home missionary periodicals from a monthly to a quarterly issue is another experiment, whose results, in the judgment of your committee, are not yet sufficiently manifest to warrant the initiation, at the present time, of a new policy with reference to missionary publications in general. The time may be approaching when the proposed combination will prove both wise and expedient, — perhaps before the meeting of the National Council in 1901, by whom, rather than by this State Association, steps should be taken to bring about such consolidation, when the proper time arrives. But your committee is agreed in the judgment that at present it would be unwise because untimely, and for the reasons above indicated.

We therefore recommend that further action upon this matter be indefinitely postponed.

E. C. EWING,
JOHN R. THURSTON,
JOHN E. TUTTLE,
E. E. STRONG,
Committee.

ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.[1]

The Committee on Labor Organizations elected at the last meeting of the State Association was as follows: —

Deacon James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, of Chelsea; Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline; Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock, of Newburyport; Rev. William H. Allbright, of Dorchester; Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Jesse H. Jones, of North Abington; Rev. Paris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills, and John H. Colby, of Boston.

The committee organized with Deacon James G. Buttrick for chairman, and Rev. Jesse H. Jones was made secretary. Rev. Dr. Thomas asked to be excused from serving on account of other duties, especially as he would co-operate with the committee through the Sabbath Protective League, of which he is a vice president.

It was established to the satisfaction of the committee by the testimony of its own members, that there was hesitation on the part of many of those in the employ of the transportation companies to ask for one rest-day in seven, much less for the Sabbath rest-day, lest they should imperil their positions. One of its members reported forty families in his congregation, where the husband is required, by the constraints of his position, to work seven days in the week with rarely a day off, fearing to ask for one but seldom. In an interview with one of the highest officials of one of our most important transportation companies, although at first he very much doubted if the facts were as represented, yet before the interview was finished, was constrained to admit from the testimony of his subordinates whom he questioned, that such might be the case a part of the year.

For the furthering of our work we secured the privilege of bringing it before the Boston Monday Ministers' Meeting in Pilgrim Hall, on the sixth of December last. After its opening exercises our chairman, Deacon Buttrick, had charge, and made a statement of our aims and plans. He then introduced Mr. George E. McNeill of Boston, for forty years an advocate of the cause of Labor, who made the principal address. He was followed by Revs. Allbright and Jones of our committee, who made stirring five-minute speeches. Such was the interest awakened that the subject was taken up again two weeks later, when Brother Allbright, in behalf of the committee, made a carefully written presentation of matters of fact of special importance, which produced a deep impression. He was followed by Revs. H. W. Stebbins, George A. Gordon, Reuen Thomas, and Daniel Evans. The interest was so intense that the meeting was continued nearly two hours.

A hearty, unanimous vote was passed, recommending to the committee two specific lines of endeavor, namely: —

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1. That co-operating committees be secured from the other ministerial bodies of the State; said committees to constitute a joint body for united action in efforts to gain the ends we seek; and

2. That we confer with the Labor Bureau, and learn if it would make a special investigation of the subject of Sunday labor in the Commonwealth.

Efforts in both of these directions were carried along simultaneously. In order to get a well-founded knowledge of the real facts in the matter of Sunday toil, as *now* existing in this Commonwealth, the last investigation of the kind having been made in 1885, consultation was had with the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, and its cordial co-operation was promised. Upon learning that special legislation would be required, authorizing the Bureau to gather this information, the committee prepared and introduced into the House the following bill: —

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF SUNDAY LABOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The bureau of statistics of labor is hereby directed to investigate the subject of Sunday labor in this Commonwealth with respect to the number of persons employed, the conditions of employment, and other facts relating thereto.

SECT. 2. The said bureau shall incorporate the results of the investigation authorized by this act in its annual report to the legislature, and the sum of five thousand * dollars shall be paid out of the treasury for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, to be expended under the direction of the chief.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The bill was first referred by the House to the Labor Committee, and then, as it involved an expenditure of money, to the Committee on Ways and Means. Both of these committees gave us hearings and reported the bill favorably, and it promptly passed the House. Upon reaching the Senate it was referred by that body to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, which committee, without giving us a hearing, made a report to the Senate recommending that the bill be rejected. Before the time came, however, for the Senate to act upon this report, your committee waited upon some of the Committee on Ways and Means, and requested a hearing. They appeared unwilling to grant one, and it seemed to your committee as if the case had been prejudged by them *unheard*, for one of them, to our surprise, wanted to know what good a hearing would do, adding, "*I have already made up my mind.*" Other members of the Senate, however, were seen, who cheerfully allowed us to explain our bill, and the cordial reception accorded by them will be gratefully cherished by your committee. The result was that this report to

* [Changed to "three thousand" by the Senate.]

reject our bill was not accepted; but it was recommitted to the same committee, in order that we might be heard.

At the hearing which followed, the following gentlemen of the Joint-Committee appeared in support of the bill: Revs. Morgan, Farwell, Allbright (of our committee), Alexander Blackburn, H. C. Graves, Howard M. Brown, and M. D. Kneeland, and Brothers William Shaw, George W. Coleman, E. M. Overholser, and A. L. Freeman. They asked for these statistics on behalf of the nine religious denominations they were authorized to speak for, including our Catholic brethren, and also claimed that the information which the Bureau would gather would be greatly useful in determining wisely the character of future legislation required in the interests of the working people. That we were pleading our cause before an unsympathetic committee was plainly evident.

But we won the day. The Committee on Ways and Means, evidently recognizing the respectability of the large constituency that the petitioners represented, as well as the justice of their claim to have this legislation, finally reported, "Ought to pass." The bill has become a law, and the Bureau of Statistics is at work gathering the information which we await with interest. For it will show us the number of persons in the Commonwealth working for the transportation companies, as well as all other wage-earners, who are constrained, either by the necessities of their situation or the will of its managers, to work seven days in the week with few or no holidays. And, manifestly, when the facts and conditions are known, new light will be shed upon the question and we shall see what is the wisest course of procedure in obtaining one rest-day in seven for all who toil on the Sabbath.

The efforts to secure the above legislation had to be initiated before the formation of the Joint-Committee of all the denominations, by reason of the limitation in time which the Legislature had fixed for the introduction of new business. But the Joint-Committee, as soon as organized, heartily joined in efforts to secure the passage of the bill. And your committee desires especially to acknowledge the efficient help rendered by our Catholic, Baptist, Unitarian, and Free Baptist brethren.

The other object assigned to us was to secure as large a co-operation as possible from other religious bodies in the State. We are pleased to report the success attending our efforts along this line. We have secured committees from various bodies to form with our own a Joint-Committee, as follows: —

BAPTIST.

Rev. Alexander Blackburn, D. D.	Bro. Geo. W. Coleman.
" R. J. Adams, D. D.	" C. P. Jameson.
" H. C. Graves, D. D.	" D. P. Bailey.
	" E. M. Overholser.

UNIVERSALIST.

Rev. George L. Perin, D. D.	Rev. F. O. Hall.

CATHOLIC.

V. Rev. W. Byrne, V. G.

Father W. P. McQuaid. Hon. Thomas J. Gargan.
" Francis W. Maley. Thomas F. Ring.

FREE BAPTIST.

Rev. A. L. Gerrish. Rev. George N. Howard.
" W. J. Twort. Deacon O. H. Ellis.
A. L. Freeman ("Morning Star").

UNITARIAN.

Rev. E. E. Hale, D. D. Rev. Howard M. Brown, D. D.

METHODIST.

Rev. J. D. Pickles, Ph. D. Rev. L. B. Bates, D. D.
" C. A. Crane, D. D. Hon. E. H. Dunn.
G. F. Washburn.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. M. D. Kneeland, D. D. Peter Kerr.
" A. K. McLennan. A. McWilliams.
" S. McNaugher.

EPISCOPALIAN.

Rev. John S. Lindsey, D. D. Rev. Philo W. Sprague.
" F. B. Allen.

CONGREGATIONALIST.

Committee on Labor Organizations and Rev. E. H. Chandler and R. H. Maywood of the Young Men's Congregational Club of Boston.

NEW ENGLAND SABBATH PROTECTIVE LEAGUE.

Rev. F. W. Hamilton. Rev. A. H. Plumb, D. D.
" John Galbraith. William Shaw.

This committee met in Pilgrim Hall on Monday, April 4, and organized by choice of Deacon James G. Buttrick, Chairman, and Rev. J. D. Pickles, Secretary. The immediate work in which they propose to engage is to awaken an interest in this subject through agitation. They wish to call attention to the hardships which continuous and unbroken toil imposes upon thousands of our brethren in this Commonwealth, and to develop a widespread sentiment to support the effort — should the committee deem it wise to make one next year — to provide by legislation one rest-day in seven for the employees of all our transportation companies. This Joint-Committee intends to reach the general public through the press whose support of our humanitarian efforts we count upon receiving. They desire to reach the religious part of our population through the pulpit.

Your own committee also wishes to utilize the Conference. To this end they suggest that this Association recommends to the several Conferences in the State that a presentation of the subject be included in the programs for their fall meetings; and that the Conferences in turn shall recommend to the pastors in their respective bodies, to preach at least one sermon before the close of the year in which they shall duly emphasize the theme.

One further thought in conclusion. It is the belief that some such agency as this Committee on Labor Organizations can in the future be made greatly useful, if intelligently guided and sufficiently constrained by the love of Christ, in removing the prejudices which, unreasonable as most of them are, exist in the minds of some of the laboring classes against the Church. It can serve this purpose by becoming a medium of communication between the Church and these people, bringing to the Church the knowledge, gained through personal contact, of their hardships and of their wrongs as far as they have wrongs, and in return conveying to them an expression of our sincere desire that the church shall become to them what the Saviour intended it ever to be, a place of refuge, of sympathy, and of help. This, with the additional thought of the relation which this committee sustains to the "Joint Committee" which it has been instrumental in bringing into existence, will probably aid you in deciding upon the wisdom of continuing some such committee another year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES G. BUTTRICK, *chairman,*
WM. H. ALLBRIGHT,
JESSE H. JONES, *secretary,*
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BY REV. FRANK W. MERRICK.

Wastes in Over-organization.

Because order is Heaven's first law, it is therefore one of the first necessities. Vigorous life multiplies the forms of its activities, and its fruitfulness is the best test of its worth. The gardener never esteems his vine according to its output of branches and blossoms. Indeed, their over-abundance arouses suspicion that the life of the vine will not make itself concrete in fruit. Likewise, the machinist aims for the maximum of efficiency with the minimum of machinery. Cogs and wheels and levers multiplied beyond necessity tend to poor work, friction, and danger. In mechanics, unity and safety are directly related to simplicity. Whether we adopt the organism or the machine as the type of organized activity in the church, the vital element is indispensable. But the divine life must be organized and directed. As with the individual, so with the church, next to life, training is the chief requisite, for the church as well as the individual is a part of an order which she did not make, but found.

To-day, however, we are in danger from too much organization. In the State, this tendency takes the form of paternalism on the one hand, and on the other of parasitism, rendered possible through the multiplication of commissions and bureaus. In the school it takes the form of political domination from without, and of patchwork educational processes from within. In society, this tendency becomes concrete in needlessly multiplied social duties and conventions, until we become the slaves of the order we have made. That the church should share in the fortune and misfortune of this spirit is inevitable. The effect in the local church is doubtless modified by the type of polity to which that local church belongs. If it be a part of a highly centralized body, the difficulty is not likely to be as great, because the main lines of activity are prescribed by the central authority. However, in the exercise of individual privilege, possible in many if not all highly organized Protestant communions, a local church may multiply its secondary agencies. If so, prescribed and proved agencies may be weakened or endangered, and a spasmodic whirr of machinery end in breakage through ill-adjustment of parts, or in sudden arrest through total expenditure of motive power.

In churches having a democratic polity, the evils of over-organization are more pronounced. The independence of the local church, modified only by the principle of fellowship, — a bond often notoriously weak, — affords the best opportunity for all sorts of foolish activities planned and guided by the zealous, but restless and injudicious. Under such conditions, an intelligent, spiritual, conservative membership is invaluable.

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Over-organization in churches of the democratic polity usually takes one of two allied forms: —

(1) The multiplication of religious societies gathered about the church, agreeing with it in spirit and aim, but tending constantly to weaken the church by assuming its duties and by diverting the time and strength of members who belong to both church and society into good but distinctly non-church channels.

(2) The other evil of over-organization is in the multiplication of distinctly non-religious societies of philanthropic or otherwise benevolent intent, which seek the shelter but deny the control of the church. Do not misunderstand me. I have no word of criticism upon either of these classes of organization. Though they are seldom instituted by the church, or even invited by it to do the work assumed, they are worthy of respect for the quality and quantity of their service; but I hold that criticism may justly be made from two standpoints:

(*a*) The multiplicity of these societies tends to divert attention from the church itself as an organization.

(*b*) There is a lack of spontaneity, vigor, and power through needless complication of machinery.

What remedy, I am asked, would you propose? In brief, let the church, through its appropriate committees, do its own work, said committees acting under the direction of the church and amenable to it. No small part of the modern attitude of indifference and contempt toward the church is attributable to its irresolute and loose life as a definite force in the world, and its seeming content with its position.

In an article entitled "The Churches and Good Citizenship," Dr. Dike has shown how the churches having a democratic polity may aid good citizenship effectually, though indirectly, through "laboratory practice." If the business, it is contended, of the parish, the church, the Sunday school, the Christian Endeavor Society, and of the committees of these various organizations, were conducted as it should and can be, first-class training would be given, good business habits would be formed, — all of which are as important to one in the capacity of a church member as in the role of a citizen. "Most of the elements," says Dr. Dike, "of the questions of municipal reform are to be found in germ or in considerably advanced stages of development within many of our churches. The non-voting citizen, the multiplicity of departments, the self-constituted organization for exploiting the city, the committee transcending its powers, the bureau that insists upon being independent of civic control, the routine committee and time-serving official, the carelessly made records, the poorly kept books, the shallow treatment of public policy, the easy-going readiness to let things go as they have been going, the unwillingness to take hold of reform in earnest, are all serious municipal evils. But numerous churches have many of these evils in more or less serious degree within their own organization, and sometimes to an alarming extent."

These considerations bring us to the very heart of our subject: Wastes in over-organization. The subject is general. It has an application to

the various benevolent societies of the churches, which societies, though true to their trust, yet, in the judgment of an increasing number of thoughtful and generous people, need co-ordination. It applies to the various organizations related to the local church which are doing similar work.

1. The first waste in over-organization is the waste of effort through overlapping. This loss follows wherever societies are multiplied in the local church whose work is very akin, and also wherever certain voluntary or municipal organizations of a philanthropic kind come into conflict with religious societies having in view the same ends. When a half dozen organizations loosely related to a church do work that may properly be called benevolent, there is an immense waste of energy. Better far to federate all of them and make each separate society a committee, calling all the organizations thus related the Department of Benevolence. The advantage of small societies, each with a specific end in view, is, it is said, that various tastes and inclinations of different people can thus be gratified and utilized; but granting this advantage, is it not more than outweighed by serious disadvantages, one of which is that one large, strong society, with many related lines of action, has an *esprit de corps* that cannot be found in the small and limited society? By dividing the church into departments, each of which is composed of committees for special work, the waste from overlapping is reduced to the minimum, and the chief advantages of widely and narrowly distributed interest and effort are found combined.

Furthermore, the local church thus simply but efficiently organized may, through the appropriate committee, come into agreement with the relief work of the town, municipality, and social brotherhood. There is no good reason why the appropriate committee on poor relief of a given church might not co-operate with the Associated Charities of the large municipality. Nor is there any good reason why those appointed to visit the sick might not co-operate with the committee for the same purpose from the social brotherhood, with mutual advantage to all parties in this Good Samaritan service.

2. The second waste in over-organization is loss of interest. The common opinion is that interest in a given work is promoted somewhat in inverse proportion to the number of persons enlisted. Undoubtedly this is true of the remunerative monopoly; but it is the exact opposite of the truth in organized Christian service. A Sunday-school teacher devises a little organization for his class. It is social or literary or benevolent. During the intensely selfish period of youth, it serves its purpose. But it is too small, too narrow in spirit, too limited in aim, too individualistic to last. A reaction is likely to follow and the original interest turn to indifference or disgust. If the work related at first to some form of benevolence, such a result is a calamity.

3. The third waste in over-organization is through loss of the sense of social unity. In reality this is closely allied to the waste through loss of interest. At all hazards the sense of solidarity and the desire for co-

operation must be maintained. At this point, the over-organized church defeats itself. It thinks to arouse great interest and achieve uncommon success through its multiplied functions. The apparent gain is formal, not real. Rivalries arise between one society and another, and invidious comparisons are often made between one or more of these societies and the church as an organized body. The essential notion in the old exploded interpretation of the doctrine of state sovereignty — liberty without unity — shows itself in the church. We are told on every hand to-day that the church is losing power; that the day of decline is already here and the day of death is not distant. While we believe this a false prophecy, yet the cause of such predictions is a legitimate inquiry. One of the causes is the multiplication of societies religious and non-religious, having a distant relation to the church, if indeed they have any relaton at all to it. The church is weak and half-atrophied to-day largely because it has hitherto neglected to do its own work and is forming the habit of delegating it to various organizations which the providence of God has provided to meet our necessities. We need an immediate return to the Pauline idea of the church as the body of which Christ is the head, a body in which all the members are so related that they are members one of another, yet one body. The church will not win and keep the respect of men of the world by merely acceding to the plans which a few zealous members may devise, but fail to incorporate into the church, nor by concerning itself primarily with every possible interest except the culture of the personal Christian life.

In a contributed article in the *Outlook* for April 18, 1896, entitled "Church Centres," the directly opposite plan of organized Christian work is advocated. The church, it is said, should be the centre of every humanizing influence, and it is confidently asserted that "were this the accepted position of the churches," many outside organizations which do this work would then have no reason for existence, and multitudes of men and women would be drawn to the support of these Christian agencies connected with the churches. "Why," it is asked, "should Sunday schools not have connected with them the secular element of manual training during the week? Why should not activity in scientific charity, in sanitary measures, in everything that may promote happiness in the home, or advance the welfare of the Commonwealth, emanate from these all powerful church centres? Why should not civic clubs and good government clubs be led to hold their councils in the churches?" Why not, indeed, where the exceptional conditions require it? But when these exceptional conditions do not prevail, why should these organization-burs stick to the church? In unnumbered towns through our own and other States no such all-inclusive plans are feasible. To force such efforts would be to invite defeat with its after chagrin. The reasons for this certain defeat are many. One of them is the already over-organized church field. A half-dozen struggling sects in altogether too many localities are singing about once a month in these days,

"We are not divided,
All one body we."

The grim humor of the situation is apparent to none save sane saints and sane sinners. In other words, it is seriously proposed to cure some of the evils of over-organization by still further multiplying societies, especially of the non-religious type. This is, in religion and philanthropy, an allopathic application of the homœopathic principle, "like cures like," but in this instance, the method is too eclectic to warrant expectation of success.

4. The fourth waste in over-organization is through tempting willing workers into more activities than their time, strength, and ability warant.

The theory of the extreme advocates of organization is that by their plan everyone can be useful somewhere. The possibility of a wide range of choice in activities increases interest and enthusiasm, and develops specialists. This is both interesting and formally true, but generally the theory is denied in practice. Theories as to way sand means in organized life must be tested, not by *a priori* reasoning, but by experience. Among some of our honored institutional churches, the theory may have proved true, but these churches, as a class, are exceptional, as the conditions that demand them are exceptional.

Witness the graves of your dead societies that have been made in your own ecclesiastical God's-acre, where rest the forms of the organizations half related or wholly unrelated to your church, the good they have done forgotten and "interred with their bones." Witness the number of organizations in your church now that are gasping for breath and showing other signs of departing life. Have these vagrant societies won the applause, affection, and service of the world, and brought into line half-alive Christians more difficult than the world to enlist in the service of Christ? Have not these organizations overworked the "remnant in Israel," and wasted that remnant's energies so that they could not make themselves really effective anywhere?

We need enough organization to embody the spiritual life of the church, but we shall not increase that spiritual life by tacking on more machinery. Power from on high is the first necessity. It will invariably express itself, not in nervous, individualistic effort, but through the inclusive fellowship of believers in adequately organized Christian worship and life.

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REV. CHARLES L. NOYES.

The Church Redeeming Her Organization — The New Motive Forces.

The church finds the motive forces which are to redeem her machinery in a new appreciation of her work and her method. These are divinely prescribed to her in terms she can no longer mistake or evade. The way and will of God have had in our day a marvellous disclosure. That theory of nature, already more than a theory, a habit and attitude of mind and feeling which perceives all things in closely knit relations, finds them related in order, progress, growth, and sees them unified as the successive, gradual manifestations of one immanent force and life, has transformed thought and activity in every region and range of human life. But its aim is not reached until it touches the special, conscious organ of God in the world, his church. Its full message is spoken in the ear of faith. It is less a discovery for science than for religion. It is an event in the history of the kingdom of God comparable in light and force only to the Advent. Evolution deeply read is a revelation of *the universal presence* of God and *the uniform process* of his work. Without hesitation, therefore, the church finds the sphere of her work in the region of the divine operation, and the way of her work in the model of the invariable divine procedure.

I. "The world is the field of redemption," for God is in it, at work in every force, expressed in every feature. For us, then, who find in Christ our moral and spiritual definition of God, the world is, in the words of Tetullian, "naturally Christian." The life of God, which reached its fullest expression in Christ, is present and active in every part of it, harmonizing it, educing from it reason and morality. Beginning with first traces, far back in the origin of things, it tends ever to fuller expression — each range of being, we may say, being full of the divine up to its saturation point.

> Earth's crammed with heaven,
> And every common bush afire with God.

Hence, man as man, whatever his aberrations, is the organ of this Christ life, and all human institutions are built up by it and for it. It is God's world — Christ's world; no achievement of his redemptive work which has not its foundation stones deep laid in the very properties and relations of matter, no perfected beauty of Christian feeling which has not its first faint prophecy in the hidden affinities of cell and atom. The personal and social ideal of Christ for the human race is that to which it has been working up from the beginning. We trace the course of nature and his-

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tory as moving under the divine impulse, and on many different lines converging toward the realization of life according to the mind of Christ. Every phase of our modern life falls into place as a factor in the fulfilment of the relation of mutual love and service which we name Christian. Contiguity of dwelling, the expansion of population, the growing needs which must be supplied by commercial intercourse, the rapid circulation of ideas, are powerfully drawing the race together; and the sense of fellowship which is thus engendered, and a common body of moral sentiments, seem preparing the advent of a more organic unity and brotherly relation among men. On every side cordial allies of the church arise and vie with her in the redemptive work which she had thought peculiarly her own. Happy homes, faithful work, honest trade, wholesome food, healthful dwellings, cheerful school-rooms, beautiful parks, beneficent government, public-spirited citizens, public libraries, good books, beautiful pictures, music for the people, public baths, vigorous exercise, wholesome amusements, — all these, and the like, more or less consciously, are building up under our very eyes, in solid reality, that vision of a redeemed humanity in a redeemed world for which the Christian heart waits.

No longer do we think of forbidding them because they follow not with us; too evidently "they are on our part," fellow servants in the great, busy household of Christ, which this present world is. His business is being done here; these are His workers; all this material and social apparatus His machinery; here is the focus of His interest, the scene and sphere of His progressive triumph. If the church would find Him she must seek Him not in the skies, but down here on the brown, green earth. If she flees out of it as from a city of destruction, her Lord meets her as he did Peter in the beautiful old legend, and to her "*Domine, quo vadis?*" replies, "I go to my world and to my people, to be at work in your place."

Yes, it is nothing less than desertion and disloyalty to part with earth for heaven, or disparage and disown any of the interests and energies of the various and wondrous world of human life. That old prophetic word from paganism, which, christened with fuller meaning, we may not irreverently put in the mouth of Christ, the church too is repeating: "*Homo sum, humani nihil a me alienum puto.*" Even before she comes to this new attitude and feeling by cogent inference from her new discovery of the living presence and Christian purpose of God everywhere in his world, insensibly she yields to the charm and attraction of Christward forces working all about her. They are kindred and friendly; they reach out hands at once pleading and helpful. They seem to say, we are with you, and we want you. They are witnesses and allies for her gospel. They open to her a varied and effective calling. They rally under her standard and await from her the divine touch of power that shall release and apply their latent energies.

The church discovers, both to chasten her pride of privilege, and to inspirit her with the sense of multiplied power and honor, that she is not alone in or against the world. Neither in pride nor in despair can she say, "I, even I only." She is not the solitary champion of Christ in an

alien world, but the leader of his host. If I may seek a metaphor up to date from that feature of our naval strength which gives us highest assurance of supremacy on the sea, she manœuvres in squadron, but as the flagship, in the van, giving the word of command, bearing the secret orders, leading, informing, inspiring the whole fleet.

Or, to borrow a closer analogy, the church learns that she is not the body. "She is one organ in it, but the most central and important of them all, having much the same relation to the total kingdom of God that the brain has to the body. A body without a brain is a helpless instrument of the mind. The life and health of the brain are found in dependence on and ministry to the whole body." So is the church related to all the other forces in human society; she cannot live apart from them; they cannot perfect their service apart from her. She finds her meaning and justification in what she does to vitalize and spiritualize business, and politics, and charity, and literature, and education, and every other interest of society. She is not to usurp or encroach on their domain, but hallow and invigorate their labors, by revealing their divine aim and destiny, and inspiring them with a noble and holy motive.

The church's recognition of the divine mission of all agencies which serve the welfare of man will not dispense with her or reduce her to identity or level with them. She gains, indeed, a supremacy and authority such as she has never known before, and a distinct, exalted function, which should absorb all her energies and summon all her ardors. The more we recognize the Christian possibilities deep in the constitution of nature and society, the more sacred and imperative is the peculiar privilege of the church to make them actual. It is but the promise and potency of a Christlike world which she finds in the forces and movements about her. The social order seems indeed not far from the kingdom of God. Political, industrial, social arrangements seem trembling on the verge of realizing the Christian state. The world is being shaped, as Bushnell would say, into a "fact form" of the gospel. The mechanism of society is writing in material symbols the formula of the Christian spirit and principle. But the factors of human society are not material and mechanical; they are vital and spiritual. Christianity of mere form and relation but points out with new vividness and urgency the lack of the living spirit and energy. Our social and industrial conditions, which in their outer aspect seem prophetic of Christ, a true *Preparatio evangelica*, judged by spirit and results, often appear terribly unchristian. Poverty, and wrong, and pain, and cruelty and hatred remain. The world of labor and of life is still to be conformed to Christ by the renewing of its mind. Altruism of relation must be infused with unselfishness of soul; solidarity of interests be warmed and quickened by Christian love. The figure of clay, shaped by the plastic touch of natural forces, awaits through the lips of the church the breath of life, that it may become a living soul.

She is to proclaim how the Christian principle of love, working in all associations, will operate to enrich the world and benefit and bless society when they are brought fully under its dominion. She will realize her

ideal by embodying it first in her membership, and sending forth Christian men and women to communicate it to the rest, and by their activity and example — through schools, through Christian families, through uprightness in professions, through a noble self-abnegation in political life, through unselfish devotion to the pursuit of knowledge and art, through a thousand channels in which the Christian spirit can work — to embue all human relations with the quality of Christ's self-renouncing love, and change the world into the kingdom of God.

How vast, various, and immediate the work that awaits the church, and what new incentives and ardors awaken to provide motive forces that are to redeem and remodel her organization.

II. But the new motive forces come to the church not only from a new understanding of her mission, but a clear command as to her method.

The fact that God in Christ is in and at work in the world, which locates and defines the work of the church, also reveals her divinely ordered way of working. She must do God's work in the world after the manner of His own working, and all the world in all its parts, all stages of its history, and ranks of being tells clearly one undeviating story of the divine process. It is the method of growth, of steady, progressive development. This is a constant fact, and therefore a divine truth. It amounts to a new insight into the nature of things and the nature of God. He does everything in that way, and nothing can be done for him but in that way. The church is not exempt from this law. She must submit. There are for her no magic results, no instantaneous effects, no finalities.

1. She is herself but in process. Her faith and ideal are ever forming, never fixed and finished; ever an aspiration, not a full possession. She serves a race likewise midway in the ascent of truth and virtue. She must guide it onwards into new ideas and ideals. She has not merely to point to a standard fixed in the past, or repeat a message heard once for all, she must discover and lead to new heights. The combined moral sensibilities and aspirations of the living church, the signs of the times, the duties of the hour, the light from science and history and criticism, and comparative religion, are surely changing the type of Christian which enlarging moral sense tolerates, advancing our moral standards and ideals, demanding a new code for scholar, politician, merchant. "New occasions teach new duties, time makes ancient good uncouth." The imperative word of virtue was diligence or integrity or honesty; now it is service. The spirit approved has moved on from uprightness to altruism.

How open-minded, sensitive, studious, meditating, searching, exploring, must the church be, how versatile in faculty, swift to hear, apt to teach, prompt to act, fit to help! and how can she be all this without system, method, organization, to find and apply each in its proper place her resources and talents?

2. A second application of the method of growth the church has to make in that which is her prime office,— the culture of Christian character. It takes a lifetime to make a Christian. No one event, however critical or convulsive, can do it. The superiority of nurture to revival we had

heard from that prophetic teacher Bushnell, we were gathering it from this or that analogy, or being taught it by dear experience; now we are swept into conviction of it by the overwhelming evidence of growth as the unvarying divine method everywhere. We cannot, then, begin with life too young, keep at work too constantly, or continue too late. The discipline of Christian character must last from the cradle to the grave. The whole art for childhood is yet to be learned by the church. We are just beginning to see that the history of the race repeats itself in the single life. The child has his mythopæic and legendary era, his phase of animism and fetichism. All the childish wonder, fancy, awe, love of beauty, have yet to be utilized as it was in the divine kindergarten of early Israel. We must begin concretely, objectively, sensuously. Let our theology "empty itself" and "take the form of a servant"; practise economy of revelation as God did, and "suffer the little children to come to him" as they can.

Meantime we have to make the culture of temper, motive, unselfishness, service, accompany the growing sense of right, the insight of the divine. What a labor is this, remunerative and delightful to the last degree, but as delicate and difficult. Doubtless the larger part of this is best done in the home. But parents need help. They must look to the church for impulse and ideal, and, more than that, for co-operation and model, which the church must provide through something of apparatus and organization.

When we come to later ages, how important it is to liberalize as well as intensify; to deepen the faith and kindle the zeal even while we enlarge the soul; to open the minds of people to the word of God from all sources, to Godward movements in all arts and among all peoples; and while in the midst of doing this to find scope and opportunity for the practice of Christian sentiment. The material is so boundless, the call so urgent, the fields so various, who is sufficient for these things?

The churches are not, but the church is. The resources and talents of the church are adequate for the labor laid upon her, but only when the total resources and talents of the entire church are found, and organized and applied. There is no urgency for organization in the new motive forces surging into the church like that.

Economy by specialization is the order of the day. Division of labor attained through consolidation is perhaps the most productive economic principle. No one artisan now manufactures an entire article. Each using machinery makes in higher perfection and at cheaper cost his single part. The peg in your shoe, the pivot in your watch, is the product of the skilled hand trained to that one labor. The school children of our towns are gathered at the centre and grouped and graded, under expert instruction. Industries, charities, reformatories, consolidate and classify. The forces which scattered in county prisons and almshouses do their work badly, combined under state supervision are able to classify and grade, changing demoralizing places of detention into homes of redemption and reformation. Only the church stands dumb and stolid, belated

and obstinate, unable to combine, broken into a myriad powerless fragments, disabled by "the deep damnation" of individualism, — each church for itself, losing its life while struggling to save it. Until in her working creed the church repeats daily the article, "I believe in the holy *Catholic* church," she will never see the kingdom of God. Each church exhausting its energies in the desperate effort for self-preservation must go on as now, content with the prayer, "Give us our daily bread," unable to rise to the larger petition, "Thy kingdom come." But the zeal and yearning and hope for that kingdom here on earth is just the new motive force moving in the world and in the church, and destined, please God, to redeem organization, — in one way by organizing not in selfish seclusion but for united ministry.

Suppose we were to do this in any district or city, even so far as to get our Congregational churches, combining their gifts and powers in work, together, then what no one could do alone they could do in union. What an extension it would give to the capacities and services of the clergy. No man can be a specialist on every subject. Some few ministers come within a miss of it. Yet scarcely any one of us but what has special knowledge and special gifts in some line. Here and there some thoroughly educative, inspiring piece of work, is done, and all spent within the walls of one half-filled meeting house. There was a force for progress, for culture, which belonged to the whole church, and which ought to have gone out on its ministry perhaps through the sisterhood of neighboring churches. If only they recognized that they were parts of a whole, and their ministers the faculty of religion in their town, then to each man, according to his measure of grace, might be assigned a field, or a form of work, or to each a topic in a series on kindred themes, and by a system of exchanges the whole constituency would be benefited by each contribution, and every man could feel that that whole town or region was his parish, and that in it he was not the minister of a church, but a minister of the church.

Or think of what might be accomplished for the training of the laity in their function, say of teaching! If for nothing else the churches adjacent should combine for normal classes so accredited, so equipped, so valuable to the teacher that he could not afford to lose it. The religious culture of very little children needs apparatus and expert ability. Many churches cannot furnish this at all, few can do it well, but together they might join their forces and their means in one Sunday-school kindergarten which would serve them all.

Again there is the higher musical and hymnological culture of congregations lying untouched, beyond the capacity, often beyond care or interest, of any single church. It is easy to see how a group, with agreement upon one book for their common use, one worthy type of tunes and noble hymns, classes for practice, and great gatherings for choral singing, might educate the devout taste and musical sense, of the whole community, purge the sanctuary of the unclean thing, and regenerate the musical part of our worship. These are but examples; the possibilities of

co-operation in teaching, testimony, service, charity, and the cure of souls are unlimited. The redeeming impulse of the new motive forces which touch organization everywhere press most urgently toward the realization of Christian unity through some form of organization.

Looking at the church actual and visible, often the heart droops. In her methods and even her aim, she is groping, stumbling, faulty, and futile. But when we turn to the new motive forces, — hear the new calls to service, manifold, real, and productive; find again to-day the assurance, "Lo, I am with you alway," in the manifest presence of the Lord working with us in a multitude of co-operative forces; see clearly our method in the plan approved and employed by God from the foundation of the world: we are tempted to be reckless optimists. The new life must find new embodiment. The new motive forces will remodel, revitalize, and, therefore, redeem the machinery of the church.

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Are the Present Standards of Ministerial Qualification Adequate?

I state the question to you precisely as it was propounded to me. It has been so much discussed of late, that were it merely an academic question I should think it quite too threadbare for obtrusion here. But there are certain vital elements in it that serve to keep its interest alive, however much it may be bandied about from Congregational Club to Association, and from Association to General Conference. It relates to those standards which we set up to determine the fitness of men to serve their fellow men in the high capacity of religious leaders. These standards have to take into account the indefinable qualities of personality; the mysterious nature of human influence; the subtle but irresistible power of character, even when character seems almost bare of grace or adornment.

Furthermore, all standards whereby we are to measure the efficiency of a *man* must be set up with a full consciousness of God's ability to do his work by means of imperfect instruments; nay, of the necessity under which He finds himself, humanly speaking, of working with imperfect instruments if anything is ever to be accomplished in this world. And we must be prepared too, after we have done our best to measure men, to see ourselves once and again contradicted by the genius on the one hand, and put to confusion by the fool upon the other.

It becomes very evident, then, that such a question as this does not admit of a categorical answer. We cannot say yes or no, and so have done with it. We are forced to the admission that precisely the same standards applied to two equally well qualified men may conceivably lead us to a just conclusion in the one case, while they hopelessly befog us in another.

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But that is no reason why we should abandon standards for the measurement of the fitness of men for service in the ministry; it is only another way of saying that no standards can be devised which will not require conscientious discrimination in their use.

Now this being all admitted, if any one should come before this reverend body and ask us to define the present standards of ministerial qualification in the Congregational churches, what should we say? What requirements beyond a common school education, a decent reputation for purity and honesty, and something that can be made to represent a call to preach, do we as churches and representatives of churches require of the youth who offers himself for licensure or ordination? To be sure some associations and some councils demand far more than this, and are even stiff-kneed enough to make it a condition of acceptance, but what does this amount to if, while these particular doors are guarded, others stand wide open? And are we not forced to admit further, that even in those bodies where genuine qualification is required, the application of the test too often depends upon the presence or absence of some half dozen members? The only searching inquisition which is likely to be made in the case of the ordinary candidate for license or ordination generally relates to his opinions, in very many cases callow and half formed opinions, with reference to those questions of doctrine that are most in dispute among the brethren themselves. All this is so perfectly well known, and has been the subject of such frequent comment, that I pass it by with this casual reference.

Permit me now to remind you that this general laxity in respect of ministerial training seems to have grown upon us as the requirements which most occupations make upon those who propose to enter upon them have become more exacting. The lawyer who means to be something better than a pettifogger, and the medical student who looks forward to something higher than quackery, both find tremendous demands made upon them in the way of preparation. Their courses in law and medical school are creeping up from three to four and five years. The Worcester Polytechnic Institute, for instance, fitting young men for mechanical and scientific pursuits, has felt itself under obligation to make a similar increase in the scope of its curriculum. Many of its students come from homes where great sacrifice is demanded in order to provide the means of an education. They are looking forward to occupations in which, if anywhere, it would seem advisable that they shorten their course of theoretical training and begin, as the Gradgrinds are fond of saying, "to do something practical." England has tended to go upon this latter theory. Germany has emphasized the worth of the school. And to-day England is anxious because the trained men who have come out of the German technical schools threaten to wrest her industrial leadership away.

Now, what has been the tendency with respect to training for the ministry? Dr. Williston Walker, in his luminous address before the Congregational Club in Boston, something more than a year ago, stated that in 1760, of the two hundred and fifty-eight Congregational ministers of Massa-

chusetts only eleven had not been in college. At the same time there were one hundred and sixty-one pastors in Connecticut who were all college men but two, thirty-nine in New Hampshire and ten in Rhode Island, with but one man in each colony who lacked college training. To sum it all up in Dr. Walker's own words, "less than five per cent of all the Congregational ministry of 1760 had missed the adequate training of the period in preparation for their office." ("Are Our Seminaries Maintaining the Quality of our Ministry?" By Prof. Williston Walker, page 5.)

Let us come down three quarters of a century and note the change. From 1875 to 1896 the deaths of 1,856 Congregational ministers were recorded. Their average term of service had been thirty-seven years, which would cause the dates of the beginning of their ministry to fall within the twenty-one years from 1838 to 1859. (I am pursuing Dr. Walker's statistical method here, but the figures are compiled afresh from the Year Book and brought down to the latest date.) Of these 1,856 men, 1,328 had enjoyed the advantages of a college course, while 528, or about twenty-eight per cent, had not. The figures respecting a seminary course almost exactly duplicate these, as 1,323 had studied in a theological seminary, while 533 had not.

To come down still further. The total number of students enrolled in our seminaries according to the last Year Book was 486, of whom 270 were college graduates, 38 had had a partial course, while 178 had not been in college at all. According to the same Year Book, there were, in 1896, 183 ordinations, while the seniors in the seminaries who may be taken to represent the average number of recruits which these institutions supply to the ranks of the ministry numbered 124. During the same year 122 ministers died, and the net gain in the number of Congregational churches was 64.

Now I have no time, nor is such a place as this the proper one, for the elaborate discussion of these statistics. They indicate, however, several very significant facts. In the first place it is perfectly evident that, as compared with a century ago, the churches lay comparatively little emphasis upon the best attainable training as a requisite for the pastoral office. In the second place, they indicate that in view of the disproportion between the increase in the ranks of the ministry from the seminaries, and the net increase in the number of churches, there is at least an apparent demand for men from other sources than the ordinarily recognized one, and an apparent excuse for the ordination of men with scanty academic training for the pastorates of the smaller churches.

And still further, these figures seem to indicate that a very considerable number of good men in our communion have been convinced that fitness for the ministry of the word is a variable thing. "If there are many churches and few students let us cut down our courses, let us lessen our requirements, let us welcome the man to ordination to-day whom we judged unfit yesterday," these men seem to say. "If there are churches there must be ministers; and if there are not trained men who desire to be ordained, let us license and ordain untrained ones."

I venture to maintain, brethren, that there is a tremendous *non sequitur* involved in such argument as that. When the number of churches seems to be distancing the number of men in process of training for their ministry, we are not at liberty to license or to ordain untrained men, or even to let down the standards of our training. It is not enough that a man who presents himself to association or to council should be proved to be amiable and pious; it is not enough that he have, in ever so high degree, the gift of exhortation. It is not enough that he have zeal unless he have something more than zeal. It was a trenchant saying of John Morley's, that "It is easier to have zeal than morals." Now, every calling has its ethic. No man has a right to practise medicine simply because he loves to see people enjoying good health, has always enjoyed good health himself, and is anxious to begin at once the blessed work of healing. We feel perfectly justified in saying to such a man, "You have three great requisites for the calling that you propose to follow; but you must add training to them."

So when a man comes to us saying, "I love God with all my heart, and I want, at once, to proclaim His blessed gospel to men as an ordained Christian minister," we have a perfect right to reply to him, "You do well to love God with all your heart, but are you willing to love Him with your mind as well, and to undergo the training that shall fit you for the long years, not of exhorting merely, but of teaching in His name"? I say we have a right to ask this; nay, more, we are under distinct obligation to demand it. Over and above his character, we have a right to demand a will to study and some capacity to teach. There is great suggestion in the old saying of St. Francis de Sales, that "The knowledge of the priest is the eighth sacrament of the church"; and Dr. Munger gave a rational Congregational interpretation to the truth of it when he said, many years ago, that the true minister will be at once a student and a teacher. "He need not be a learned man, but he must study; he need not be a great teacher, but he must teach." (Parish Problems, page 169.)

Now the time has come when the church must rehabilitate the teaching function of her ministry if she is to do her work in the world. And she must recognize, as a preliminary necessity, that if she is to have teachers she must train them. This does not, of course, mean that every minister is to receive a college education, or spend three years at a theological seminary. But it does mean that he should somewhere undergo strenuous mental and moral discipline which shall be the equivalent of the discipline afforded by a college and seminary course before he is ordained to the ministry. Associations and councils ought to let it be understood that this is expected and will be required, and that whatever exception may be made in view of the wholly exceptional man, the average man of two talents must give satisfactory proof that he appreciates the moral obligation laid upon every minister to discipline and train himself for his work. I know that now and then some good man rises in his place to say that the first thing he did when he left the seminary was to unload all that he ever got there. If he did that, it only shows how utterly he miscon-

ceived the seminary's purpose. No seminary that is at all true to its function ever aims to give a man his theology, his pastoral methods, his homiletic material, or his interpretation of scripture, ready made. What the teachers teach there is only half of what the man is expected to learn; and that half he is supposed to digest and assimilate before he can call it his own. Some men are born fools, some men achieve folly, and some have folly thrust upon them. The first class only have their foolishness confirmed by all that college and seminary do for them; they are not susceptible of training; that is wherein their folly consists. But of the second and third classes you may make very effective men if you catch them in time. It is for them that academic training is devised. There they are under trained men; they are polished into effective shape by the constant attrition of their fellows, themselves under process of training. They acquire poise, balance, the power to discriminate, the faculty of concentration. If the genius of the place does its perfect work in them they become spiritually and intellectually humble, as they realize how great the heritage is and how little they can possibly appropriate as individual heirs. They go away after a time to do their own work in their own way. They are not wise men, it may be, but if they have improved their opportunities they have learned something of the *method of wisdom*. Their feet have been set in the way of spiritual and intellectual competence. Unless they grow lazy and unfaithful there is no reason at all why they should be starved out of their denomination or of their pulpits in three or four years, for lack of material wherewith to maintain themselves. It is training, — the training of patient and painful toil in the light of a consecrated purpose, that puts a man in possession of an unfailing spiritual and intellectual income, wherewith to meet the perpetual outgo of the preacher's life; it is that which enables him to keep a little balance on the credit side of his account, and gradually to acquire influence, so that as long as he lives and does his work in a community, he remains a power there, whether his tongue have Aaron's glibness or Moses' stammer.

Now this requires time. It is a process of nature as well as of grace, and like many of the processes of nature it cannot be forced or abbreviated without disastrous results. What shall we do then? Shall we say to the man who has a strong desire to preach, and not a little manifest ability to preach, and who has proved by experience his possession of those indefinable qualities that make a man a leader, "You cannot enter the ministry. That is a caste not to be attained except by the man who starts in the preparatory school and climbs up the various academic grades to his bachelorship of Divinity"? God forbid that we should ever say that! If the time ever comes when we make the ministry a close corporation of that sort, prophets will rise on every hand to rebuke us, as John rebuked the Scribes and Pharisees of his day. But we must demand training of mind, heart, and practical faculty. We must demand a training approximately equivalent in quality, if not in precise quantity, to the training furnished by our colleges and seminaries. And when a man comes to us for licensure and for

ordination, one of the very first tests we ought to apply to determine the reality of the call in answer to which he claims to present himself should be the question, "Are you willing not merely to read as you have opportunity during the next few years, but to apply yourself to study, grave and serious study, under the direction of competent men? Are you willing to undergo that training which the ethic of ministerial service to-day demands? And until that training shall be measurably complete, are you willing to engage not to thrust yourself forward for ordination even though you may be able to pack a council skilfully enough to obtain it?" I have known one or two cases lately where men have presented themselves to faithful and conscientious associations or councils who have adjudged them inadequately prepared for the work of the ministry. What have they done: taken offence? Said that the ministers were a company of Pharisees bent on maintaining a sort of religious aristocracy, and out of whose company Peter and Paul would have been straightway cast? Not at all. Like wise and consecrated men they have bowed to the kindly judgment of their fellows, and given one of the highest proofs of the genuineness of their call into the gospel ministry by putting themselves in the way of training in a seminary. But I fear they represent a small minority. The rule is rather that a well-meaning young man, who has, perhaps, showed some knack for religious leadership, some gift for pious speech in a small community, and who finds that it would be convenient to be licensed or ordained, presents himself to an association or council. Some brother vouches for him. No one else knows him except by hearsay. His training is pitifully meagre. A very desultory and unsystematic examination shows that. But one of two things happens. His request is incontinently granted because men have not the moral courage or the good sense to say no. Or else, when he is urged to postpone his application until he shall have fitted himself to make it with a better grace, he condescendingly reminds the brethren that he has no notion of entering the ranks of the theological students, and that if they do not license or ordain him, he knows others who will. And he generally finds others who do.

My time has expired. I have rigidly adhered in this paper to a statement of a case; to the answer of a question. I have striven to point out the need of training to the minister, and to indicate the present conditions governing the demand or lack of demand for it. I have not dealt with the proposed short cuts to the ministry simply because, if my main contention stands, that question will be properly dealt with by councils and associations. So far as the short courses fit men for preliminary service, their work will be welcomed; so far as they fall short of the true requirement for ministerial service they will, if we do our duty, be supplemented.

As I close, will you bear with a few practical suggestions even though they transcend the rigid bounds of my theme.

1. We need to remember that every effective denomination will find place for the lay worker, and sometimes for the lay preacher who may very likely be on his way into the ministry. In our denomination he is

pretty sure to want licensure and ordination before he is properly prepared. Such a man ought to be recognized if there seems to be promise in him, and held to strict account by the proper body until he is prepared; and that time ought not to be hastened by a single day because of his hunger for personal recognition as a minister, or because the little company among whom he may labor as a layman finds it convenient that he should perform the function of a minister.

2. Every association ought to have adequate rules governing the issue of licenses, to which it conscientiously adheres. It ought to have a competent examining committee who shall make careful inquiry into the qualifications of every candidate who presents himself, and who shall see that the examinations to which candidates are subjected are adequate.

3. Under no conditions should a candidate be licensed by an association or ordained by a council who has been refused licensure or ordination by another duly qualified body, until full and free conference with such body has been obtained, and it is evident that the reasons for such refusal were originally inadequate or else no longer exist.

4. It ought to be remembered that putting a candidate off on the ground of insufficient training, and doing all that can be done to put adequate training in his way, is as far as possible from muzzling a mouth through which God would speak. It is simply doing the greatest possible favor to the man, and fulfilling a very sacred duty to God.

5. Whatever remedy is to be applied to the present condition of things must be radical enough to reach the ideals of the ministry which obtain among the churches and among ministers themselves. The Ministry of the Word is still a sacred calling. No hard and fast rules can be laid down that will absolutely determine a man's fitness to exercise it. But of one thing we may be quite sure. Ignorance fits a man for nothing.

ADDRESS [1]

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The Church Redeeming its Membership by making Specific the Latent Powers of the Average Member.

Our only sufficient reason for considering the church as a redemptive agency is that you and I, layman and minister, in our place, are the church. A question which concerns the church concerns us; we cannot, if we would, relegate it to Plato's realm of abstraction.

How is the church to redeem its membership? we may state as, How shall the individual members of the church redeem themselves? How may the latent power of the average member of the church be converted into the form of specific activity? we may also state as, How may I, an individual member of the church, realize my divinely ordained self. Pres'dent Hyde has well said that, "Whoever has a worthy conception of God

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and the divine life must do something about it." It is a maxim of psychology that all mental states are followed by activity of some sort. In another world it may be possible that a quiescent life will be attainable. In this world, passive goodness is a contradiction of terms. Goodness, virtue, love, are active, even aggressive, or they are not Christian.

We organize ourselves into a church not only that we may establish a training school for the kingdom, but that we may enter upon the inheritance, so far as we are faithful, of a certain portion of that kingdom. Certain conditions which characterize the ideal kingdom must also characterize the practical church. "One is your Master, even Christ," "All ye are brethren,"— the legal code is summed up in the one word "love,"— in kingdom or in church. We mark this difference, however, between the kingdom and the church. In the kingdom which is to come, the power of the Christ is so manifest by every subject that the object of the kingdom is attained. In the church which now is, the power of the Christ is indeed granted, but through our imperfect apprehension of our relationship to that power is compelled to so struggle for emergence as to give but a vague conception to the world of its character and effectiveness.

In the kingdom there is no waste of power. All energy is specific. In the church there is constant waste. The power of the average member is too often almost entirely latent.

Had we lived but a few cycles ago in this region, now fresh and beautiful as the garden of the Lord, we could have gained no conception such as we possess now of the transforming and vivifying influence of the sun. It is true the sun then shone but shone in an age of ice. No growth or beauty such as the world had known before and has known since was possible until the latent forces of the great glaciers had been overcome. In the same way may we not say, the church seems to-day to be passing through her glacial period. She has had her age of upheaval, her schisms and controversies; she has been shaped by her fiery age of persecution. Now all is tranquil, not with the tranquillity of death, and herein is our hope, for the glacier is not the symbol of death, but rather of imprisoned power.

There is an eternal truth in the recent words of George Adams Smith concerning the times of Zephaniah. "The great causes of God and humanity are not defeated by the hot assaults of the devil, but by the slow, crushing, glacier-like mass of thousands and thousands of indifferent nobodies. God's causes are never destroyed by being blown up, but by being sat upon. It is not the violent and anarchical whom we have to fear in the war for human progress, but the slow, the staid and the respectable." And yet when "the slow, the staid, the respectable," are once aroused, when a Cromwell leads them forth to battle, what fighters they become! How the scoffs of the opposing cavaliers are changed to cries for quarter! Within the glacier is Titanic power, a power which keeps it a glacier and only yields to the sun slowly and reluctantly. Within the church of God to-day there is power enough to reshape human society, to institute a

juster government, to bring down to the solid foundations of earth the Holy City, which, during these centuries, like Mahomet's coffin, has been hovering between earth and heaven. There is enough power only it is misapplied power directed to the end of self-preservation; power which as latent may be an obstacle in the way of the divine will instead of an instrument by means of which the divine ideal shall be realized.

We can only gain a just apprehension of the specific power of the average member of the church as we try to estimate his latent possibilities.

Intellectually he has not received an ideal training in the truth of religion and of scripture. He has heard a great deal about the higher criticism without knowing much of that with which this criticism deals. Asked to define his intellectual position, too often he is ready to haul down his colors without firing a gun, — yet he has found it impossible to live without coming into contact with the spirit of the age. The great poets whom he studies are many times truer teachers of theology and divine philosophy than the doctors of divinity who instructed his ministers in their seminary. The histories which he reads are dominated by the scientific method. A Drummond and a Kidd have familiarized him with the ideas of evolution. Whether college trained or not, in spite of the fact that he seems to suffer in comparison with his parents as his definite knowledge of sacred things is considered, — he has within him latent intellectual possibilities which, rightly developed, will enable him to maintain the honor of his faith with an intelligence and a sweet reasonableness which could not be attained by his fathers.

Emotionally the average member seems also to suffer when he is compared with those who have gone before. He knows but little of a long continued and oppressive sense of guilt. He does not, like the woman of whom President Edwards tells, shed tears because of his sense of blame for sharing in Adam's sin. He has had other Sunday reading besides Pilgrim's Progress; yet his sympathy and his sensibility have a breadth and a fineness which we cannot overlook. The appeal of the suffering and of the unfortunate never fell upon ears more responsive than to-day. The university settlement represents the sensibility of the average church member whom we rarely see, possibly, in our prayer-meeting. The hospital has attained to its present magnificent proportions and gracious influence as it has made its appeal to men and women who have seemed to some critics to have but little feeling upon religious questions. The sensibilities have a closer connection with the life. A directer road is opened to the conscience than ever before.

And not only is there an immeasurable, latent, intellectual, and emotional power in the average member of the church, it is also true that the possibilities disclosed in his character, that part of the man which is shaped by his will, are practically limitless. Who of you ever entered the home of honest poverty and toil — beheld the heroism of the struggle, the willingness to suffer and die for dear ones — and did not feel ashamed of an easy-going life? There is as much real heroism in the life of the average toiler in our church, unconscious though it be, as there is in the life of

the missionary who represents us at the front. Who can tell what it cost that retiring member of the church to meet all of his business obligations? Who can estimate the strength of will which that manufacturer disclosed when for the sake of the hundreds of families depending upon him he planned to keep his factory open in a time of financial depression? As I have come closer to some of my friends in their every-day life, and they have shown me something of the struggle in which they are engaged, I have found enough power put forth by them to convert a world. A minister who will complain of his burden after such a conference with one of his busiest friends is out of place in the ministry.

How shall this latent energy of the average member become specific? We are driven for our answer back to the most fundamental Christian truth. Latent energy is transformed as its possessor consciously strives to enter into the divine thought for him and co-operate with the divine spirit. The latent power of intellect, sensibility, and will is to be given a different direction as through obedience it becomes divine. The specific power of a Christian is God's power, just as the beauties of the blossom-crowned tree exhibits God's workmanship, wrought by means of the forces within the tree. In the work of creation which is now going on, mineral, plant, and animal, forces of sea and land, all have their part in the evolution of a more perfect world and a higher type of animal life; yet in all of this evolution there is no consciousness of the goal of creation outside the will of Deity. In the creation of man, which is also still going on, and which we may believe is but in its beginning, and in the establishment of the divine kingdom, the creative power of God is revealed as more forceful than when operating in the lower realm, and yet is subjected for the first time to the most decided restrictions. The power of God must be comparatively inactive and ineffective in any life in this higher creation, unless that life consciously receives it, apprehends its purpose, and with all of its energy endeavors to transmit it. In the disciples gathered in a humble dwelling in Jerusalem there are the germs of the glorious company of the apostles, but these germs only develop as they receive the promised baptism of the Holy Spirit. The world cared nothing for them as mere men; the world was full of men who were not only their equals but their superiors in all their latent possibilities, yet when they are endowed with the Holy Spirit the multitudes throng about them, crying in response to their message, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

Latent energy is unbaptized, unconsecrated energy, the seed concealed in the cold earth. Specific energy is divinely baptized energy, the seed responding to the warmth of the springtime, striving to escape from itself, to mount upward toward the sun, the source of life.

When a member of the church is willing that God should have his way with him, and asks not that his Master should be satisfied with a formal and perfunctory service, but rather brings to Him himself, asking that the Master come into vivifying contact with all of his life, we need not fear that this world will not soon be blest by his activity. God is working

through such a man, and where God is given freedom of control the blessings of that freedom are spread abroad.

It is the privilege of the Christian to-day, however, not only to make a general consecration of himself to God, it is also his privilege to know that there are ever open certain divine channels for the transmission of his converted power.

When a man first enters into the Christian life, he enters only by the way of self-surrender and of sacrifice, but, paradoxical as it may appear, for a man to continue in the Christian life and manifest the divine energy it is necessary that his latent powers should be converted into forms of specific activity which operate along the lines of the least resistance. The massive engine is enabled to exert a power almost resistless because, in the transformation of the latent energy of the water into the specific form of steam, the steam is not confined within the boiler, but by the way of least resistance is permitted to find a way of escape, and thus exert its power. Power is effective not only as it is transformed, but as it is efficiently and economically transmitted. The ordinary conceptions of a Christian life do not provide the member of whom we are speaking with a natural outlet for his activity. As Frederick W. Robertson has said, "If you were to ask where you should find a type of Christian character, many in all probability would point to the man who keeps the Sabbath day, is regular upon the attendance of the services of the church, who loves to hear the Christian sermon." This, he points out, is the "feminine phase" of religion. It is absolutely necessary that one should manifest his Christian activity in the natural ways and channels which open to him as a man. He who conceives of the possibility of a division between his life as a professing Christian and his life in the world will never be able to transmit unto men the power of his Master. George Adam Smith tells of a great manufacturer whom he knew in Scotland, a man prominent in the church, who at his death left large sums of money for missionary societies, who told him that it would be necessary for him to pay lower and lower wages in order to meet the competition of Belgium. When asked how this would affect his workmen, and whether it were not better to strive with equal energy to maintain the same and even a higher standard of living, he replied that this was none of his concern.

The Christian of to-day can never engage in any form of so-called Christian activity or worship in which he shall either receive or transmit a blessing, who does not recognize the fact that all of his activity is but a form of the activity of his Master. He who has gained an apprehension of the spirit of the age in his thinking will thus be helped more faithfully and vigorously to grapple with the great problems which concern man, the immortal, in his earthly pilgrimage. He whose, sensibilities have been cultivated by the times in which he lives will be able more intelligently and lovingly to enter into the Master's feeling for humanity as he finds in his natural emotions a common meeting place with the divine. He who has struggled to maintain his family, to be honest, who has regarded

the obligation which has come to him as an employer of labor, will find that, accepting his position as the result of a divine commission, the hard struggle for character will be glorified. The man of a social nature is not to repress his natural instincts, but is called upon to consecrate unto God this nature which he has received, through which he is able to bring so much of good cheer to others.

But not only is the member of the church whose latent powers are given over to the Master given the privilege of making all of his individual activity divine, by means of his church relationships, it is also his privilege to have the same liberty of action granted him. We cannot say, as it is so easy to do, that the fact of the ordinary forms of our churchly activity appealing to so small a proportion of our membership is due to the superior consecration of the few and to the hardheartedness of the many. I believe that an examination of the church and of the field in which it is established will show that the true church is to be so constituted as to afford some form of churchly activity to every member. All have not the nature which can enter naturally into work in the Sunday school or in the prayer-meeting. Is it not the privilege of the church to ascertain the different capabilities of her members, and in accordance with these capabilities assign to each a definite form of activity in His name? The business of such a church must prove to be a means of grace, as that business is carried on under the advice and by means of the painstaking effort of the members of the church who are possessed of the greatest business ability. The cultivation of a higher ideal of home life may be safely entrusted to many a member of the church who otherwise would be left inactive. The instruction of the young, not only in the Scripture, but in the art of living a healthy, intellectual, satisfying life, it will be found can safely be given to many an enthusiastic member who might otherwise be regarded as cold and indifferent.

The church has to do with purer politics, and the enthusiasm with which our young men co-operate with others in the political campaign it is the church's privilege to utilize, as it stands for a higher conception of a political life, and for a truer view of patriotism and of citizenship.

As I look back upon the primitive church, while I am free to acknowledge that we are not to be controlled by the letter of the past, it does seem to me that there was much in that church which we need to-day. The brief records would seem to indicate that every member was a worker. The apostles were not able "to serve tables," and the first order of officers chosen were elected for this most prosaic of tasks. It was a matter of one's church life in this early day to own property and to deal faithfully. The church was not active one day in seven and passive during the six days following. The hospitable Gaius, whose chief Christian activity was manifested as he entertained the evangels of the cross, was as highly esteemed as those whose gifts and activities were more prominent.

I may differ with some of my brethren, but I cannot but believe that the institutional church best embodies the spirit of the early successful church,

and that the future belongs to this church, — which is not called upon to do a work for those who are degraded and forsaken in our great centres of population alone, but to bring the Christian spirit into contact with the life of man in the greatest possible number of ways, and in so doing enlist in some form of specific activity the greatest number possible of its membership. This church of the future is to realize the kingdom more fully because its work is to be carried on not by the few, as in the past, but by the many.

If "work is religion," — if all of life is sacred — if the spirit of Jesus applies to man's need as truly during the week as upon the Sabbath, — if man is a social being, working most freely and happily in fellowship with others, — then must opportunities for service ever appeal to the members of the church in every form of their individual life.[1]

Then shall the church social, the sewing-class, the communion service, the prayer-meeting, the Society for Christian Endeavor, and the Society for the Promotion of a Broader Culture, be equally sacred and equally blessed.

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What the Church Offers Men.

The church has more to offer men than it is itself aware of, and while the most stirring and serious motives which *can* be brought to bear, like celestial levers, upon human nature, are at its disposal, it cannot afford to be found trifling with the debasing influence of *sensation*, nor following any will-o-the-wisp in trying to *amuse* men.

I have been asked to make special reference in this paper to what the church has to offer men as a class. But I shall not do as the Quakers do, putting the men on one side of the church and the women on the other. I do not believe we have a right to make such sharp distinctions. I am sure a true psychology does not justify it. But since any church which utterly *forgets* its men will before long surely be preaching to "benches, bibs, and bonnets," I shall try to present in this paper only such motives, which the church has in hand, as shall make their strong appeal to the manhood of man, no less than to the womanhood of woman.

Nor shall I speak of the mere *agencies* by which the profoundest purposes of the church express themselves. I shall not dwell upon the usefulness of Men's Sunday Evening Clubs, nor Brotherhoods of Andrew and Philip, sincerely as I believe in them. I shall try to find some of the living forces which course through the tissues of the plant, which send it up out of the earth, and maketh it to bud and blossom; that vital essence of which leaf and calyx and corolla are only the expression. What, then, are some of the stirring, vital, eternal forces which the church has been entrusted of its God and its Redeemer to apply to the lives of men? I

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think the very *existence* of such a question is the strongest evidence that the church has shrunk from giving its *best* things to the world, fearing to *scare* men by that greatness of its problems and its hopes which would in fact most *inspire* men. Unveil this Colossus which stands to-day at the portal of every sanctuary, and which in its shroud looms ominous and fearful, and it will be found to have arms which reach out with a glad invitation, and a smile which will reassure and entice.

1. *The first thing which the church offers to men is its own hard problems to solve.* The church in the present generation still has its twelve labors to perform, as it has had through the centuries. The Némean lion of doubt, the Lenéan hydra of criticism within its own ranks, must be taken and slain. The Augean Stables of indifference must be cleansed. But there is more than Herculean power in the church to *face* these labors. Nor is there any vulnerable heel by which it may be slain, for it is founded upon this rock, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. I believe that these very problems thrown freely and frankly upon the consciences and hearts of men will only spur them on to nobler activity and grander loyalty. It is a part of the *metal of manhood* on its most manly side to *seek* mountains to climb, and to climb the harder as the mountains are the steeper. It is while the cloud of mystery and concealment is down over the Sinai ledges and steeps of the church's difficulties, and the line is drawn at the base beyond which only the Moses and the Joshua can pass, that the people turn away to other gods and bow down before their golden images. But there was no difficulty with the chosen men who followed Jesus up and down Galilee, because he put them at the front of the fight, and made them the vanguard as he said: "There is hard work to be done. It is the most serious yet. But I have chosen you and sent you forth into the midst of wolves." And they went; and by and by they came back buoyant in the very ecstasy of success, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject unto us."

So the church has a right to stand before men — and its duty is measured by its right — and to say to them, in the name of Him whom they have chosen to serve: Here is the prayer-meeting of the church. You know what it *is*. You know what it *ought* to be. To take it out from what it is and make it over into what it ought to be is *your* work for the Master. Therefore I send you out with *creative* power, and I give you authority in it to heal the sick, and to make the lame to walk and to raise the dead to life. Go out, therefore, and see if you cannot extract honey out of this rock, and bring down manna from these clouds, and make this chill east wind to bring in the abundance of quails. Echo and reëcho in *this* wilderness the voice of that one who cried, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord." Arouse to song the birds which are nested in *this* thorn bush, and prepare to join in the joy of the angels of God over the sinner who is about to repent. This is your work. I send you out to face all its difficulties. But I pour out my *spirit* upon you, that you may have the power of another Pentecost. Go, and see if by and bye, you do not come back rejoicing that all the forces which seemed against you are now upon your

side. And what the church may put with all its arduousness upon the conscience of men in the problem of the prayer-meeting, it may do also with its second service, and each added strain should prove but the pulling of the bow-string of mighty effort the harder, which will send men with the greater eagerness and alacrity to speed on the errands of the Lord. Jesus concealed not the difficulty of the cross-following, nor did he allow himself *alone* to bear the responsibility for Galilee, and Judea and Samaria. To him every hardship seemed a new invitation, and every cross a new charm. To a true-hearted man the very *problems* of the church, revealed to him in their ruggedness, will offer the thing which he has been looking for, a Hermon upon which he may be transfigured from glory to glory into the image of his Lord through the light and joy of *service.*

2. *The second inducement which the church has to offer men is the application of the great Christian principles to the* WORLD'S *problems.* If the church would feel the joy such as the Creator felt when he said: "Let there be light," and there was light, it may do so in the next decade *by the creation of a truly Christian political economy.* There never has been one yet. And what a glorious undertaking for the blended powers of the Christian mind and the Christian heart to achieve. That day has fully dawned when the church and the noblest sentiments of the world *agree* that the only solution of the mighty problems of riches and poverty; the only bridge which can span the chasm between labor and capital; the only deodorizer which will remove the stench of business and political corruption; the only measuring rod which can measure off the dimensions of the holy city of our social hopes and lay it out four square within our own social structure, with never-closing doors for the free admission of a redeemed humanity; the only power which can come into the night of this dark garden in which many a Magdalene is waiting, but almost without hope, to hear a familiar voice, in which many a Peter and John are running to and fro between the tomb where hope has been laid aside, and the upper rooms in the cities where their friends are assembled, and convert it into a garden of sweet living things, in which "the winter is past, and the rain is over and gone"; that the *only* thing which will do all this is *the application of the law of love which Jesus brought.* The church knows that. The noblest thinkers of the world grant that. But no one has yet really *dared* to try it in its fulness. The church has been *timid* in teaching it. It has not ventured to go as far in the application of *love* as the Master went. It has not been *brave* enough to face the tremendous consequences which are involved. Men have done many things from mere grit. But there are some things among Jesus' demands which can be done only by *Christian grace.* It takes a mighty Christian grace for a man to *face* his financial difficulties and fail in business, when he might have climbed over by the other way of dishonor. It takes a great Christian grace for a clerk to live in a humbler way than his neighbor clerk, in order to be more benevolent. It takes a great Christian grace to be smitten on the cheek by some one in society or business, and then to see that one go

on to success without dropping a sly slander about him, and perhaps have to turn the other cheek also to the smiter. It takes a great Christian grace to cut off the right hand of one's friendship, because it is leading him into evil, and to pluck out the eye of one's joy because it is filling the whole body with darkness. And it takes a yet *greater* Christian grace to love those who consistently oppose your way to success. But what is all this, and much more which reaches away into the perspective of glory in character even *beyond* our vision, but the *application* of the principles of Christ. Let the church not be afraid of it because it is hard. It is one of the grandest possessions from the oracles of God which it has in its possession.

Here is something which the church has to offer men. Not an amusement. Not an appeal to their vanity, nor a sop to any guarded indifference. It takes men on their noblest and most serious side. It says to them, "You are men of courage. You have grit and the love of conquest, or you are not men. Here is something which will engage your grandest powers, something *adequate* to the fulness of your ability. Go, you employer, and love your workmen, and love them the more the less you are loved. Go, you rich man, and show your faith *by* your works. Go, you merchant, and spurn the devil's offer of loaves and see if *you* cannot prove that man cannot live by bread alone." So the church stands beside the courage of manhood, as the goddess Athena stood beside Achilles in the presence of his mortal enemy, and *breathes* into it the *only* motive which is *sufficient* to send it out.

3. Just another step in the same direction brings us in sight of the next laurel wreath which the church holds in its hand, wherewith to crown and inspire conquerors.

The allurements of the church, when the true pitch is struck, are sweeter and stronger than any song of Lorelei on Bingen's shores. And it entices not toward dangerous rocks, but into safe harbors. I am sure that if the mighty *conquests* in the moral life, which Christianity promises, have failed to prove attractive to men, it is because the church has either missed the majestic meaning of them, or, seeing that, has not dared to point them out. The gates of Gaza, which short-sighted Philistines supposed would keep the strong man of Israel in subjection, were only the spur to his mightiest effort. And the very greatness of the foundations of moral evil in the world, to which the church supposes that men are so firmly bound, would only offer another motive for grappling with them, *if the occasion were fitly furnished.* This is what the church has to offer in its appeal to the native moral virility of men. *The triumph of life:* that is no mean conquest. The checkmate of misfortune when it is making its most brilliant attack: that is no slight triumph. The mastery of a great sorrow which seems so masterful: that is a power which the church has to offer men. And where is the man to whom the idea of *power* does not appeal? The church of a Sunday morning may lead men back over the same dusty, desert paths of business, which they have followed all week, back along the weariness of the old subjects which they have been

puzzling over and have become weary of, or it may lead them in the green pastures and beside the still waters of "the peace of God which passeth all understanding." It may bring them out into the sight of the great restless sand-drifts of the world's evil tendencies, which they already know full well, or it may bring them under the shadow of a great rock in a weary land, under the power which alone will make it possible for them to *check* the evil tendencies in their own lives, and give them rest. *I believe that the Church ought to offer men on the Sabbath something* BETTER *than they have had all the week.* They will be found in the services of the Church if they can hear those who believe *more*, not less, than they. There is a whole continent of moral conquest reaching back from the narrow margin of shore which men have already possessed themselves of. We have only touched the *hem* of God's garment. Like our own continent in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred, there is only a fringe of country conquered. Stretching back from this are the immeasurable resources, the uncounted riches, the forests and the rivers and the mines of moral wealth. And there at the entering in of this vast land the Church stands offering *opportunity and power*, and inviting men to go in and take possession. All the spirit of strong courage, all the capacity of endurance, all the enthusiasm of assured success, are here appealed to. *The conquest of life* is what the church has to offer men.

4. Another thing the church has to offer men. It is *the manly ideal of character in Jesus Christ.* Men are interested in Jesus Christ, even those who are *not* interested in the church. There was no lack of virile force in him. In the way in which he worked out the mighty problems of of his life, there is a vast charm for all humanity. The ideal which has emerged from the solution of those great problems has in it all the profounder forms of strength which men admire. Majesty is written upon it in such letters that they who run can read. Men are *interested* in seeing the working out of that true philosophy of life which Christianity offers; in seeing the perfect harmony between the world and God in Christ Jesus. Oh, the unaccountable, the lamentable error of ever having set religion and science over against each other, the rising up of brother against brother in the family of God's own children! But the prodigal, who went forth, partly because he was *driven* forth, having found that the world which he has sought is the same world which he knew in his father's home, is happily coming back again, and the elder brother is going out to meet him. Signs of recognition and joy have been passed as they have come in sight. And I assure you that the world is *interested* to see the grand reconciliation which has already begun, and which is to be consummated. *And the peacemaker is the Christ*, through whom not only was the church redeemed, but through whom also the worlds were made. The church can stand before men to-day and say: "Come and see this divine spectacle, this great scene of reconciliation of religion and science, as of two brothers long parted, but now joined together by that union which, God having made, let no man put asunder. Come and see them as they fall into one another's embrace, and return together to their Father's

house. Come and see how, in Christ Jesus, they who were sometime afar off are made high. For *He* is their peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down *this* middle wall of partition." So the church can take men to the house-top, as Samuel took Saul, and there, in the name of the new day that is breaking, tell them that they are *kings*. What a gracious opportunity that is which the church has, to offer this great ideal of manhood, and say: —

> "A man like to thee
> Thou shalt love and be loved by, forever: a Hand like this hand
> Shall throw open the gates of new life to Thee! See *the Christ* stand!"

5. Then, as we draw this paper toward its close, let us notice that the church offers men the crowning glory of the life of man and God alike,— *Sacrifice*. It has in its foundation one rock upon which a great part of the weight of its structure of hope for men stands, and that rock is its confidence that there is a side to every man's nature which is appealed to by the motive which moves God himself, that there is somewhere a window of the soul which opens toward heaven. Men may be, as Moses was, over on the other side of the mountains feeding their flocks, and seemingly content with the selfishness of their life. But the Church believes that when it can kindle a burning bush in the way, and speak out of it the call of God to a life of genuine service, and of heroic sacrifice for the suffering children of God, though there may be hesitation, yet if the bush burns and *is not consumed*, and the voice speaks yet again, the man will go. The church offers the noblest *sacrifice* to men. Their time, their money, their ease, their self-satisfaction, their great *absorption* in the things of self, these are to be offered up as a morning sacrifice, a savor of a sweet smell before the Lord. And if this does not appeal to the best things that are in them, then *man is not divine*, and God was wrong when he looked forth upon his creation and pronounced it good. When the church deserts this motive and substitutes for it an appeal to ear and eye, amusement, sensation, and curiosity, it is denying the efficiency of that cross which was lifted up from the earth to draw all men. What is there in the *soldier's* life which appeals so strongly to that which is noble in men? Is it not the hardship, the service, the sacrifice, and the knowledge that all this is endured for a great purpose. And the citizen soldier, who goes out at the call of his country, represents a high type of manhood. But *our* citizenship is in heaven. And the service into which the church would enlist men is the service of *everything* that is pure and true and holy and of good report. While the church in its *left* hand offers men sacrice, in its right hand it offers them such divine *motives* for that sacrifice as may appeal to the highest that is in them, as it says to each one: —

> "Made in His image, thou must nobly dare
> The *thorny* crown of sovereignty to share."

These are the things which the church, when it is in its right mind, offers men: the solution of its own mighty problems; the application of the principles of the Christ to the great problems of society; the triumph

of life; the manly ideal of character in Jesus Christ; and sacrifice. These are not playthings, nor toys which the church puts into the hands of men to amuse them, but mountains of reality requiring a sturdy manhood to reach the summit. The church must take for granted that manhood, in its nobleness, has in it something to which *difficulty* appeals. While these great incentives may not fill the churches in a year, there will at least be added unto them from time to time such as are being saved, as men increasingly come to learn that the greatness of life consisteth in the greatness of the Master's life, who "came not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

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The Mission Motive.

This is not an academic question. It is of little consequence for councils of the church to define the motive for missions, and for divinity students to get it into their note-books unless in the end it be in the hearts of Christian people and of their pastors. The only mission motive worth talking about is at work somewhere; not pigeon-holed, in a system of thought. Every true motive is dynamic. It is pushing some one forward in the path of service. The mission motive would appear in its living reality if we could bring to this platform the great band of student volunteers who are eager to turn their lives to account in Christ's world-wide cause. It would be incarnate in the tried friends of missions who work and save and deny themselves in order to furnish the sinews of this holy war. Its very clearest statement would come from the lips of the veterans in the mission field who have followed Christ through toilsome years, by the compulsion of an inner energy. To find this working motive is our practical quest; to receive it for the re-enforcement of our own devotion to this cause and to communicate it to others our present duty. Yet this Christ-like energy, traceable in all worthy missionary endeavor, is not altogether simple. The missionary motive cannot be stated in a single word, nor is it identical for all. It will vary somewhat according to the individual and the age. The prevalent emphasis on truth and the temporary opportunity for evangelism will be reflected in the missionary motive, as intellectually conceived by the church in its various periods. The same will be true of different individuals in the same age. This variety we are to recognize, and every manifestation of it we are to honor. But on the whole, the mission motive is threefold, and our thought at this time will gain in clearness by considering it so.

I. *The Religious Motive.* This comes first. Missions bless men; but love, pity, and patience fit for so costly and exacting a service are born only of love and obedience to God. Father, then brother, is the order of

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heart and voice. What then is the divine authority for missions? As the grace of God for men is summed up and manifested in the person and work of the Christ, so all the prophetic and apostolic intimations of the redemption of mankind, and the Master's own expectation of the victorious course of his gospel, are embraced in his parting commission to the apostles. With what majestic authority were those words spoken! There lay behind them the moral grandeur of our Lord's character, his power over men, his perfect exemplification of the Kingdom of God in a human life. But beyond all that, the victory of the cross and of the empty tomb made his words kingly. The misgivings of the disciples had now been turned to joy by the question, Behoved it not the Christ to suffer these things and to enter into his glory? Buttressed on one side by the claim, All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth, and on the other by the inspiring promise, Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world, no word of God rings clearer with the tone of command. Taken in its dramatic setting this charge is the characteristic and crowning Christian duty. The King has spoken. The servant must obey. But love joins hands with obedience in fulfilling the command, Go ye, therefore, and make disciples of all nations. Love for Christ will see here its opportunity and will bring its gift. Grateful loyalty to him will fulfil his last wish. The friend of Christ will bound forward in this part of the servant's work. The love of Christ constrains us. Love for Christ will keep his commandments, in order that He may see the travail of his soul and be satisfied.

II. *The Humane Motive.* But the divine commands are not arbitrary. The church is not called to vain tasks. Christ does not ask that love for him be blind. Missions are for man. The manifold need of a world lying in darkness pleads with us. Scan whatever unevangelized fields one may, their fallow acres wait for the sower and the seed. We traverse the wide West. With the picture of isolated prairie dwellings, of remote and shifting lumber camps, of mining hamlets fringing mountain streams, in, memory, can we be indifferent to the homes without a Bible, to the unhallowed Sabbaths, to the lean, or dreary, or reckless lives, without hope and without God in the world? We ride through the pine-lands and cotton-fields of the South, and bring away the mental image of squalid cabins and of the ignorant, sense-bound millions who herd in them. Ever after, that Macedonia cries to us for Christian education and a practical religion. Skirt the shores of the Mediterranean, and read on dejected and loveless faces the effects of Moslem influence and rule. Does not their need follow us to our homes, and supplicate a share in our happy lot? From the dark regions beyond there come to us still more vivid photographs of suffering, shame, stolidity, and despair, taken upon the sensitive plate of the keen conscience and Christian affections of the missionary who knows the black realities of heathenism. Through eye, or ear, or the printed page, the tragic facts of human need make their appeal to whatever is brotherly and generous in us. They form a dismal panorama of child widows, passing in mournful procession; of victims of

superstition, writhing in physical torture; of multitudes prostrating themselves in vain repetition before deaf divinities; and of ill-prepared millions marching ceaselessly into an eternity which is to them a dream of oblivion or a horror of darkness. What can we answer but this: I am debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, to the Hindu and the Japanese, to the African and the islander of the distant seas? Whatever the gospel has brought to us, whether the blessings of personal religion, or the vast benefits of Christian civilization, we must offer to our needy brother. To this the humane motive of missions urges us on.

But we must look at humanity through the eyes of the Son of Man. Let his view of its primary need be ours. We are to see the hidden man of the heart and the undying soul. Though the thought of the age magnifies environment, and its philanthropy makes much of condition, we gain nothing in the appeal for missions by exalting the material and temporal advantages they convey. A veneer of civilization is not the first need of man anywhere. This is it: that he be saved from the power of sin and death and become a partaker of eternal life. Now, how much is our personal faith worth to us? Can we entertain the thought of being without it; or of our children being without it? Instead of condemnation and sense of guilt we have forgiveness and peace of conscience. From the bondage of sinful habits and desires, we have a good hope of deliverance through the divine ideal and grace in Jesus Christ. In place of vexation of spirit and a thousand fears, we have a filial life of trust and comfort, so that in the weakness and delirium of life's last hours we may murmur, like the dying Gladstone, "Our Father," "Our Father," and may pass into a blessed immortality along a clear path of hope which the ethnic faiths know not and which even modern science can only dimly trace. All this we have; and the men sitting in darkness have it not. They plead with us, "Freely ye have received, freely give."

When this highest ministry of missions has been recognized, it is interesting to notice to what a large degree the modern contention that all life be Christianized has been anticipated in missionary methods. This is notably so in the missions of the American Board. The beginnings of the local church, a native ministry, schools, the press, hospitals, Christian homes, Sabbath observance, industrial arts, have kept pace with direct evangelism. Thus permanence is secured, remedial influences are widely diffused, and the foundations of Christian civilization in its social and political forms are firmly laid.

This practical beneficence continues to invite our service; and long after European conquest and commerce shall have given law and industry to the remotest nations, the leaven of the missionary's self-sacrificing love will be needed to interpret civilized life to the new and involuntary participants in it.

III. *The Providential Motive.* There are special divine elections and appointed seasons in missions. Some of us, individuals and churches, are the direct heirs of missionary enthusiasm. Parents have loved this cause, have labored in it, have given to it. They have invested them-

selves in it and it has wrought a reflex blessing upon their piety and that of their sons and daughters. These must carry the torch which God has thus lighted for them. Many churches have made their noblest history and won their strength of faith and force of love through the missionary concert and the missionary collection. Their members of a younger generation are called of God to a like specific devotion.

Besides this, there is immense significance in the familiar observation that far-reaching providential preparations have been made for the rapid and effective prosecution of the missionary enterprise in the immediate future. Distance has been annihilated. Continents have been explored and colonized. The gates of hermit nations have been opened from within or forced from without. Races and religions are now understood. The Bible is in every important language. Western thought is current in Japan and India. It will perhaps soon enter China, following the sharp wedge of dismemberment. The church of Christ has a larger force than ever before of trained, consecrated youth, and means enough to send them forth; and has hard-won experience for their guidance. Surely God has cast up a highway for his people. To work with God anywhere and at any time is man's highest privilege. But even the faint-hearted may follow exultingly in this day of his power. We sow under a shining bow of promise, with the harvest in plain view.

Christianity must become universal before it can be perfect. After the church has penetrated every natural fastness, has faced every form of sin and superstition, and has won representative converts from every race, and added to her interpretation of the eternal gospel, whatever the experience of every type of man can contribute, she will return with fuller moral power to conquer obdurate hearts at home, and to solve social problems according to the mind of Christ. First make Christianity extensive; then intensive, until the new heaven and the new earth come, in which dwelleth righteousness. In this also we may be co-workers with God, at a time when the globe is growing small, and all nations of the earth are learning that they are of one blood.

These are the elements in the missionary motive, religious, humane, providential. Yet not every traveller heeds the bitter cry of the heathen world, though it be in his ears. Not every Christian takes up the task of obedient love, or steps forward, though he hear the clock of God strike the hour for advance. We know these things; happy are we if we do them. May the divine spirit ever make what is thus present to our minds as truth, a fire in our hearts, and an energy in our wills. This must be our prayer for ourselves and for all His Church.

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The World-Wide Mission of the Church.

The profoundest movements of history have all been inspired by the hope of universal supremacy. Judaism under the leadership of its greatest prophets; Greek civilization under the influence of Alexander and its most famous philosophers; Mohammedanism under the impulse of its early victories, all aimed at the mastery of the world. Jesus Christ has placed this same goal before his church. He presents himself as the source of universal truth and of universal love. With these he purposes to conquer the world. This truth and this love he also bids his followers take as the weapons of their warfare for him. Hence his command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

This is the grandest and most sweeping commission which has ever been given to man. It was utterly impossible for the early church to comprehend its significance. Gradually through the centuries its meaning has been unfolded. But not until to-day has the church been in a position to understand what is meant by the phrase "all the world." In the thought of the first century, the world was the Roman Empire. Beyond a stretch of land lying about the Mediterranean Sea, little was known. Later Europe was slowly penetrated by the civilization of the South. In the fifteenth century, commercial enterprise and the spirit of adventure culminating in the discovery of America marked a new stadium in man's knowledge of the world. But not until these closing years of the nineteenth century has the church had any adequate conception of the world as its field of conquest. In this century, a wider knowledge of the world has been brought to the church than during all past ages. At the beginning of this century, China, Japan, Corea, the isles of the Pacific and the dark continent of Africa were closed to the Christian church and were almost unknown to civilization. To-day these countries have thrown open their doors to receive the Christian messengers; their ports are visited, and their streams traversed by the steamers of commerce; their lands are crossed by railroads and their cities connected by cable with the telegraph systems of Europe and America. Thus at this time, as never before in history, there comes to the church the command of its Lord, "Go ye into all the world." Its field of conquest is no longer vague and shadowy, but clearly defined and well understood.

In a similar way it has taken time for the church to grasp the message which it has to deliver to the world. "Preach the gospel," is the command of its Lord. But the gospel in its universal application could not be understood at once. Ages of reflection have been necessary for this. To be

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sure it was taught from the first that the Son was sent to be "the Saviour of the world." But that was an idea too profound for antiquity with its deep-rooted national and social distinctions. Though the phrases of Scripture might be accepted, yet it seemed self-evident to the early church that the Atonement must be limited. Thus the Judaizers thought that salvation was intended especially for the Jews. To become a Christian, if one were not already a son of Abraham, he must submit to the Jewish rites and become incorporated into the Jewish race. Later there grew up in the old Catholic church the notion that though salvation is not simply for the Jew, as there can be neither Jew nor Greek in Christ Jesus, yet the Atonement is limited by the rite of baptism. It is by this means that the saving efficacy of the Atonement is conveyed to the individual. So it was said that there is "*Extra ecclesiam nulla salus.*" This idea of the gospel was better than the earlier one of the Ebionites, for it was broader, but it was not yet broad enough to satisfy the teaching of the New Testament. Still later it was advocated, especially by Calvin, that salvation was for the elect. God in his foreknowledge had predestined certain ones to eternal life. It was for these favored ones that Christ had died. This was a broader conception of the Atonement than that which had preceded it, but it was not yet broad enough. The message of Jesus Christ is that salvation is for all. It is not confined within the limits of any nationality, as that of the Jew, or of any organization, as that of the church, or of any class of men, as the elect. The gospel, which the church has received to give to the world, and which it has taken so many ages to understand, is that Jesus has tasted "death for every man." The Atonement is of universal application. Jesus Christ tasted death for St. Paul, not because he was a Jew; he tasted death for St. Augustine, not because he was a baptized member of the church; he tasted death for Calvin, not because he was among the elect. Jesus Christ died for these because he died for every man. The church to-day better than ever before comprehends the gospel message. Thus to-day more than ever before the Master lays on his church the duty of preaching that Gospel to every creature.

Will the church obey its Master? On the answer to that question hinges the future of the church. The world as the field of its activity has become definite and clear; the message of salvation as applicable and necessary to all men is well understood. Add to this the fact that abunddant resources with which to proclaim the gospel in all the earth have been given to the church. The wealth of the world belongs to the Christian nations, and has been placed by God very largely in the hands of the professing Christians themselves. If the church is now faithful to its duty, if it is willing to give of its life, to give of its wealth, to make sacrifices in order to establish the Master's kingdom on earth, then it faces a glorious destiny. The very life of the church is at stake. It can save itself only by giving itself to the work of saving the world for Christ. The church does not exist for itself, but for the kingdom. It is the body of which Christ is the head, and as the body it is to be the instrument for accomplishing the purposes of the head. Christ came not to be ministered

unto, but to minister. Thus we are not to make the world serve the church, but make the church serve the world.

The church is just beginning to awake to the grand privilege of its world-wide mission. We are beginning to see that there can be no greater honor than to be co-laborers with God in accomplishing his eternal work. He desires to work with us and through us in saving the world. He sends us as his representatives to those who know him not. What are the social distinctions of earth compared with being ambassadors of the King of kings, the Lord of the universe? Riches, learning, earthly fame, are paltry honors compared with the eternal glories which await the missionaries of the cross.

In order that we obey this command and enter into this privilege, the one thing necessary is that we be animated by an enthusiasm and love for Christ himself. If we have this enthusiasm and personal attachment for him, then we will be ready to make any sacrifice that we may help him establish his reign. This is the only motive which succeeds: all others sooner or later fail. We are told that the heathen are barbarous, and they ought to be civilized; they are unclean and they ought to be made cleanly; they are ignorant and they ought to be educated; they are lost and they ought to be saved; besides all this, missions are helpful to commerce, and (heaven save the mark) are thus in the end a paying investment. Such talk never yet made one zealous missionary, and never will. These motives quickly wear threadbare. They may be used once to get a collection, but if employed a second time the contribution will be smaller. Love for Christ is the only motive which will never wear out. Once get that deep rooted in the hearts of Christians, and then missionary zeal will steadily increase and missionary contributions likewise. Have we had a vision of the Christ? That is the vital question. Is he a living presence for us? Is he for us the one altogether lovely, the chiefest among ten thousand, our Leader, our Saviour, and our Lord? If so then we will obey his farewell message, "Go disciple all nations." But if we have not had such a vision of the risen Christ, if we are not inspired by his living presence, then, of course, we have no particular enthusiasm for his kingdom. That is the gist of the whole matter.

We need enthusiasm for Christ more than anything else. Student Volunteer Movements, New Programs of Missions and the like, are doubtless all of value, but they do not go to the root of the matter. More love and zeal for Christ, that and that alone will solve all difficulties. If we have that, then the treasuries of the missionary boards will overflow with gold, and the everlasting gospel will be proclaimed on every hilltop and in every valley.

What enthusiasm we have for our country, its extensive industries, its vast stretches of railroad, its excellent public school system; how we rejoice in its triumphs in its struggle with Spain. Such enthusiasm as that we must have for the kingdom of our Lord, for its welfare and its victory. Then it will hasten on to universal conquest.

Finally, brethren, we should recognize the fact that the church is suc-

ceeding in its world-wide mission. Obeying the Lord's command, rejoicing in the privilege of his service, led on by a love and enthusiasm for him, his followers are gradually building up his kingdom in the world. Its walls and battlements are rising in our midst. The day of its triumph is approaching. Lift up your eyes and behold its coming glory. Who are these, its inhabitants, who walk amid its streets? Who are these who go forth from its gates on errands of mercy? They have come from the isles of the sea; they have come from the coasts of the East; they are the sons of the dusky Hindoo, and the daughters of the pale Caucasian; they are those who in all ages and from all races have accepted Jesus of Nazareth as their King, and have given themselves to the work of building up his eternal kingdom. Rejoice, O Earth; shout, O Heavens; sing, O ye Hosts of Light. "The Lord reigneth and all the nations shall serve him forevermore."

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Charles E. Beals, Stoneham, *i.*, Sept. 16, 1897.
Reuben A. Beard, Prospect st. ch., Cambridgeport, *i.*, Nov. 17, 1897.
Herbert W. Boyd, Ashby, *r.*, Dec. 1, 1897.
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Raymond F. Calkins, Pilgrim Memorial ch., Pittsfield, *i.*, Jan. 13, 1898.
Charles Clark, Ward Hill, *i.*, Dec. 15, 1897.
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Jeremiah Taylor, *w. c.*, Brookline, April 20, 1898.
William M. Thayer, *w. c.*, Franklin, April 6, 1898.
William G. Tuttle, *w. c.*, Worcester, Aug. 4, 1897.
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MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS.

Dates from the earliest times of the Colony. Annual business meeting in the court-room of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston, at 5 P. M., on the last Wednesday in May. Sermon at 11 A. M., on the day following. At this service a collection is taken, which, with the income of the Convention fund, is distributed to the widows and daughters of deceased Congregational ministers.

Every minister of a Congregational church in Massachusetts (whether Trinitarian or Unitarian) is *ex officio* a member of the Convention.

There is a reporting committee of twenty-five, selected by counties throughout the State, by which recommendations are made to a central committee of seven, which decides on all applications for aid.

PERMANENT OFFICERS. — Rev. Benjamin F. Hamilton, Boston (Roxbury), *scribe*, and Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *treasurer;* to either of whom applications for aid may be addressed.

MASSACHUSETTS CONGREGATIONAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

Incorporated in 1786. Organized to hold the funds of the Convention. Composed of fifteen clergymen and fifteen laymen, elected from both branches of the Congregational body. Aids the widows and orphans of deceased Congregational clergymen who have died while holding the pastoral office in Massachusetts.

Alexander S. Wheeler, Boston, *president;* Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *secretary;* Arthur Lincoln, Boston, *treasurer;* Rev. Edwin B. Webb, Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Rev. Alexander McKenzie, *committee on appropriations.*

Applications for aid should be made to Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, Mass.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP.

The special attention of the churches is called to the following Rule of the Association: —

V. Members. — Each Evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, treasurer, and the pastor of the church with which the annual session is held, shall compose the General Association.

This resolution was also adopted: —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that churches sending delegates to the Annual Meetings of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts shall be recommended to pay the expenses of the delegates whom they send.

A Delegate from Every Church would give to a grand and inspiring meeting.

1898.

The Minutes are sent to the churches by direction of the General Association. It is requested that one copy annually be preserved with the records of each church, and that the remaining copies be distributed among the officers and members in the way most likely to promote an intelligent interest in the condition and prosperity of the churches.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF THE

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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BROCKTON, MAY 16.

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THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL AID.

This Board had its origin in action taken by the General Association of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts in 1868, and was incorporated by an act of the Legislature in 1869.

Caleb H. Warner, 48 Brewster Street, Cambridge, is now its president; Arthur G. Stanwood, Esq., 701 Sears Building, Boston, is treasurer, to whom all contributions should be sent.

Rev. Edward B. Palmer, Rev. Morton Dexter, and Rev. Charles B. Rice are the executive committee.

Applications for aid should be sent to Rev. Edward B. Palmer, at Room 9, Congregational House. A small contribution is greatly needed annually from each church. Donations are also solicited from individuals. Should any one desire to leave a legacy in aid of the benevolent work of this Board, the following form of bequest will be sufficient: —

I give and devise to the Board of Ministerial Aid, incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, for the charitable uses and purposes of said Corporation, ——

No officer of this Board receives any compensation for his services. No other board, society, or organization in this Commonwealth contributes anything for the support of needy Congregational ministers. Our country gives large pensions to her needy soldiers. Why should not our churches give something for "the aid, support, and comfort of their aged, disabled, superannuated, or needy ministers," and of "the widows and children of such ministers"?

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Publishing committee. — Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Auburndale; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston; Henry P. Emerson, Lynn; Henry D. Noyes, Hyde Park; Rev. Perley B. Davis, Dorchester.

Auditing committee. — Charles E. Swett, Winchester; J. H. Tewksbury, Brookline; Rev. Charles M. Southgate, Auburndale.

Members of the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. — Rev. Elijah Horr, Brookline; William C. Strong, Newton Highlands.

On ministerial standing. — Rev. A. Z. Conrad, Worcester; Rev. Wm. H. Davis, Newton; Rev. W. A. Bartlett, Lowell; Rev. Edward A. Reed, Holyoke; Rev. John A. MacColl, New Bedford.

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On Sunday observance. — Rev. A. H. Plumb, Boston; Rev. John E. Tuttle, Worcester; Rev. Arthur Little, Dorchester; Rev. R. A. McFadden, Chelsea; Joseph Willett, Needham.

On gambling. — Rev. C. H. Hamlin, Easthampton; Rev. C. M. Southgate, Auburndale; Rev. Isaac Pierson, Medford; S. Homer Woodbridge, Boston; Rev. William Gallagher, South Braintree; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, Newton Center; S. K. Hamilton, Wakefield.

On the wider circulation of religious literature. — Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, Greenfield; Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, Cohasset; H. Porter Smith, Cambridge; Rev. Warren P. Landers, Somerville; Hamilton S. Conant, Boston.

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On the work of the churches. — For three years: Rev. J. D. Kingsbury, Bradford; Rev. G. A. Tewksbury, Concord; E. F. Morris, Monson. For two years: Rev. S. G. Barnes, Longmeadow; Rev. F. L. Bristol, Uxbridge; Geo. H. Shaw, Middleboro. For one year: Rev. J. Coit, Winchester; Rev. John R. Thurston, Whitinsville; Arthur E. Gray, Worcester.

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On labor organizations. — Rev. W. H. Allbright, Dorchester; Rev. Daniel Evans, Cambridge; Rev. E. L. House, Dorchester; James G. Buttrick, Lowell; W. L. Spaulding, Worcester; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, Wellesley Hills; Rev. F. W. Merrick, West Roxbury.

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Meeting of 1900. — Amherst, Tuesday, May 15.

Expenses. — The treasurers of the conferences are requested to ask the churches, at the autumnal meetings, to contribute a sum equivalent to six cents for each member, based upon the total membership of Jan. 1, 1899, and to forward the amount to Henry P. Emerson, 33 Bedford Street, Boston, Mass. These amounts are needed promptly, and it is specially requested that all dues be paid before Jan. 1, 1900. The number of members in each church will be found in the statistics of the churches on pages 28–56.

OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

(Elected for Three Years Each.)

Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Auburndale, *secretary.*
From 1888. Re-elected 1897.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Neponset, *assistant secretary.*
From 1895. Re-elected 1897.

Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston, *registrar.*
From 1859. Re-elected 1897.

Rev. James W. Flagg, Foxboro, *assistant registrar.*
Elected 1897.

Henry P. Emerson, Boston, *treasurer.*
Chosen 1899.

BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

Room 22A Congregational House.

DIRECTORS.

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Herbert N. Ackerman	*West Medford.*	1900
Rev. Merle A. Breed	*Westboro.*	1901
Charles W. Carter	*Auburndale.*	1901
Rev. De Witt S. Clark	*Salem.*	1902
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Rev. William H. Davis	*Newton.*	1901
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Rev. Edward M. Noyes	*Newton Center.*	1902
Henry H. Proctor	*Boston.*	1902
Rev. Edward A. Reed	*Holyoke.*	1900
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Rev. William M. Tenney	*N. Adams.*	1901

Rev. Charles B. Rice, *secretary.*

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RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

I. NAME. — This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

II. OBJECT. — Its object is to secure Christian union, fellowship, and intercourse among the ministers and churches ; promote spirituality, and to co-operate with one another and with other ecclesiastical bodies in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom.

III. DOCTRINAL BASIS. — This Association agrees to the Declaration of Faith adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches in the year 1865, the doctrines therein set forth being understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the gospel.

IV. DENOMINATIONAL BASIS. — Being based exclusively upon Congregational principles, this Association shall, under no circumstances, exercise ecclesiastical authority over churches or individuals, or interfere with the government or discipline of the churches, or consent to hear appeals, or give advice in ecclesiastical causes of any kind.

V. MEMBERS. — Each evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, treasurer, and the pastor of the church with which the annual session is held, shall compose the General Association. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit.

VI. OFFICERS. — 1. A secretary, an assistant secretary, a registrar, an assistant registrar, and a treasurer shall be chosen by ballot, each to serve three years from the close of the session at which the choice was made; to these offices any member of any Congregational church connected with this body shall be eligible. In case any of these offices become vacant between the annual meetings of the Association, the vacancy may be filled until the next following meeting by vote of the remaining officers.

2. A moderator and alternate shall be elected by ballot at each annual session, to serve from the close of that session and until the election of their successors.

3. The secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, collect the statistics of ministers and churches, and have charge

of the printing thereof ; distribute the publications of the Association and preserve, for the permanent use of the Association, copies of all its publications.

4. The registrar shall make the records of each meeting, and preserve them as the permanent property of the Association. He shall give suitable notice to the churches of the time and place of each session.

5. The treasurer shall receive all money raised for the use of the Association, disburse the same as directed by the auditing committee through its chairman, and present an annual report, to be audited as the Association may direct.

6. The secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer shall be, *ex officio*, members of the Association. Their travelling expenses in attending the several sessions shall be paid by the Association.

VII. ANNUAL MEETING. — The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of May, at two P. M. (or at some other more convenient hour), at such place as shall have been duly designated.

VIII. HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY. — The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may annually elect two delegates to be members of this body, while it consents that this body may nominate two persons for membership in the Executive Committee of that society.

The two persons thus nominated shall be from the membership of the Association at the time, and shall not be eligible for nomination for more than two years in succession, and shall, if required, make report concerning the work of the society at the next meeting of the Association.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE. — Official fraternal intercourse with the several State Congregational organizations, and with other denominations, is sufficiently had by the representation of this body in the National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States.

X. ORGANIZATION. — The moderator, or in his absence, the pastor of the church of the place of meeting, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until it be properly organized. The Association shall then be organized by the choice of a moderator and the session shall be opened with prayer.

XI. COMMITTEES. — The following committees shall be chosen: —

(1.) A Committee on Credentials, which shall be appointed by the moderator immediately after the opening of the session, to which all certificates of membership shall be referred.

(2.) A Committee on Nominations, to nominate the following and any other committees referred to them, except as hereinafter provided.

(3.) A Committee of Arrangements for the session consisting of five, of whom two shall be from members of the Provisional Committee, to prepare the business of the session, and no business shall be introduced

but through the hands or with the approval of the committee; but if said committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

(4.) A Provisional Committee of five, of whom the secretary or registrar shall be one, to prepare the schedule for the next annual meeting, to select a preacher for the Associational sermon, and persons to prepare such written papers as they shall deem desirable.

(5.) A Committee of Publication to consist of the secretary, registrar, treasurer, and two other persons to be appointed at the session, which shall make provision for the printing of such documents and papers as may be necessary in the work of the Association.

(6.) A Committee on the Work of the Churches, which shall make report to this body at the next annual session upon the work of the churches and state of religion. This Committee shall consist of nine members, three to be chosen each year, to serve for three years. The scribes of the local conferences shall be corresponding members of this committee.

(7.) A Committee to Audit the Accounts for the next annual meeting, which shall report the state of the treasury and the sum, in its opinion, necessary to be asked from the churches for the next ensuing year, and, through its chairman, approve all bills presented for payment.

XII. EXERCISES. — The time of the annual session shall be occupied by devotional services, the consideration of the state of religion, the wants and methods of home evangelization, addresses, and discussions of practical religious interest, and attention to the objects of benevolent enterprise sustained by the churches.

XIII. SPECIAL ORDERS. — 1. At the opening of the session, on the mornings of Wednesday and Thursday, the moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the sessions of each day shall be closed with prayer or hymn.

2. The Associational sermon and Lord's Supper shall be assigned to Tuesday evening. Wednesday evening shall be devoted to exercises having special reference to the people of the place of meeting, or a sermon may be preached, the preacher to be selected by the Provisional Committee. One session of the Association, or a part thereof, shall be given to the Mass. Home Missionary Society.

XIV. PLACE OF MEETING. — Previous to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify the place of meeting for the next year; and the church of the place of meeting selected is requested to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper in the course of the service. The Lord's Supper shall be administered generally without remarks.

XV. RULES OF ORDER. — The rules of order shall be those found in common parliamentary practice, subject, however, to the following specifications: —

1. That all reports of committees other than those named in Rule XI. shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the regular meeting, and furnished to the secretary on or before April 1st. They shall not be read at the meeting, but one hour of the session may be devoted to the discussion of these topics.

2. That no committee other than those named in Rule XI. shall be continued without a definite yearly vote of the Association, and no member of any special committee shall serve for more than two consecutive years without an enabling vote of the Association.

3. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, the moderator shall entertain motions only as follows, viz.: to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone to a time certain, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the foregoing order.

XVI. AMENDMENTS. — 1. Any of the above rules, except the first five, may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote, the proposed amendment having been submitted in writing on the day previous to that of the action.

2. Amendments to either of the first five articles shall not be made except upon their proposals in writing at the annual meeting next prior to that of action, and after notice has been sent to the several Associations, Conferences, and Churches, and by a two-thirds vote.

MINUTES.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS met for its ninety-seventh annual session with the First church, Brockton, Tuesday, May 16, 1899.

ORGANIZATION. — At 2.30 P. M., the Association was called to order by Rev. G. R. W. Scott, of Newton, moderator. The hymn, "The Church's one foundation" was sung. The moderator appointed the following to act as tellers: W. L. Johnson, Uxbridge; John P. Heath, Somerville; Rev. L. H. Blake, Westfield; Rev. Frank P. Estabrook, Georgetown; Rev. Ross C. Houghton, Chelsea; Timothy Smith, Roxbury.

ROLL OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

DELEGATES FROM THE CHURCHES.

Abington,	Rev. Wilson S. Fritch, Elijah G. Morris.
Agawam,	E. D. Allen.
Amesbury, Main St.,	Rev. George L. Richmond.
" Union,	Rev. George W. Christie.
Amherst, 2d,	Rev. C. W. Hawley.
" South,	Rev. John F. Gleason, Mrs. J. F. Gleason,
Andover, South,	Rev. Frank R. Shipman, J. L. Brewster.
" Free,	Rev. Frederick A. Wilson, J. A. Smart.
" Seminary,	Rev. George Harris.
Arlington, Park Ave.,	Rev. A. E. Stembridge.
Ashburnham, 1st,	Rev. Nathan T. Dyer.
Attleboro,	Mark E. Rowe.
Barnstable, West,	Rev. Edgar B. French.
" Centerville,	Rev. Bartlett H. Weston.
" Hyannis,	Miss M. L. Baker.
Berlin,	Arthur P. Pratt [*Lic.*].
Bernardston,	Rev. David H. Strong.
Billerica,	Sidney A. Bull.
Boston, 2d, Dorchester,	Rev. Arthur Little, J. J. Arakelyan.
" Park St.,	Rev. John L. Withrow.
" Union,	Rev. Sam'l Lane Loomis, Dea. Sam'l A. Badger.
" Phillips, South,	Rev. Percy H. Epler.
" Berkeley Temple,	Hamilton S. Conant.
" Brighton,	Rev. Adolph A. Berle, George H. Howard.
" Village, Dorchester,	Rev. George W. Brooks, John Durell.
" Eliot, Roxbury,	Dea. Timothy Smith.
" Central,	Rev. Edward L. Clark, Dea. John A. Bennett.
" West Roxbury,	Rev. Frank W. Merrick.
" Maverick, East,	Rev. Oren D. Fisher, James A. Cochrane.
" Mt. Vernon,	Rev. Morton Dexter.
" Shawmut,	Rev. William T. McElveen.
" Jamaica Plain,	Rev. Chas. L. Morgan, Mrs. Adelaide E. Pearson.
" Immanuel, Roxbury,	Rev. Charles H. Beale.
" Neponset,	Mrs. J. A. Reamy.
" Highland, Roxbury,	Rev. William R. Campbell, Dea. Eugene Russell.
" Boylston, Ja. Plain,	Dea. George W. Fowle.
" Allston,	Rev. John O. Haarvig.

Boston, Harvard, Dorchester,	Rev. William T. Beale, Mrs. Mary W. Beale.
" Central, Dorchester,	Rev. Perley B. Davis.
" Roslindale,	Rev. Richard B. Grover, Dea. Wm. H. Warner.
Boylston, Center,	Rev. Samuel B. Cooper, Mrs. S. B. Cooper.
Braintree, 1st,	Rev. Albert A. Ellsworth, Dr. T. Haven Dearing.
" South,	Rev. Joseph Kyte.
Bridgewater,	Albert G. Boyden.
" Scotland,	Rev. Ira A. Smith, E. E. Keith.
Brockton, 1st,	Rev. Alan Hudson.
" South, Campello,	Rev. Albert F. Pierce, Roland D. Sawyer,
" Porter,	Rev. Andrew W. Archibald, William Rapp.
" *Swed.*, Campello,	Rev. Aug. Pohl, Dea. Charles A. Nelson.
" Waldo,	Rev. Robert L. Rae, Mrs. A. M. Holbrook,
" Wendell Ave.,	Rev. Edwin L. Noble, Mrs. Thomas Brooks.
Brookfield,	Rev. Edward B. Blanchard, Dea. J. P. Cheney.
Brookline, Harvard,	Rev. Reuen Thomas.
" Leyden,	Rev. Albert E. Dunning.
Cambridge, 1st,	H. Porter Smith.
" Prospect St.,	Rev. Reuben A. Beard, Frank C. Bill.
" North Ave.,	Charles F. Hathaway.
" Pilgrim,	Rev. Frank E. Ramsdell.
" Wood Memorial,	Dea. Abijah R. Buck.
Carlisle,	Rev. A. Herbert Armes, Dea. D. L. Chamberlain.
Carver, North,	Rev. Washington H. Forbes.
Chelsea, 1st,	Rev. Ross C. Houghton, DeMont Goodyear.
" Central,	Rev. Robert A. MacFadden, Walter F. Adams.
Cohasset,	Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, Warren L. Tower.
" Beechwood,	Mrs. Salome A. Litchfield.
Concord,	Rev. George A. Tewksbury, Dea. Thomas Todd.
Danvers, Center,	Rev. Charles B. Rice.
" Maple St.,	Rev. Edward C. Ewing, Dea. Samuel L. Sawyer.
East Bridgewater,	Rev. Granville Yager, James S. Allen.
Easton, Center,	Rev. Augustus H. Fuller.
" *Swed.*, North,	Rev. L. T. Lindholm
Everett, 1st,	Charles W. Greenwood.
Fairhaven,	Miss Sarah H. Willcox.
Fall River, Central,	Dea. Charles J. Holmes.
" Fowler,	Rev. Payson W. Lyman.
" Broadway,	Rev. Henry G. Megathlin.
Falmouth, North,	Rev. Ezra N. Smith.
Fitchburg, Rollstone,	Rev. William O. Conrad, Dea. Charles H. Doten.
Foxboro,	Rev. James W. Flagg, Miss Maria Matthews.
Framingham, South,	Dea. Charles O. Evans.
Freetown,	Rev. William F. Warren, Miss M. Florence Dean.
Georgetown, 1st,	Rev. Frank P. Estabrook.
Gloucester, Trinity,	Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard.
" Lanesville,	Rev. Frank H. Reed.
" Magnolia,	Rev. James E. Enman.
Goshen,	Rev. Calvin Keyser.
Granby,	Rev. Robert C. Bell.
Greenfield, 2d,	Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, Marvin S. Fellows.
Halifax,	Rev. Jesse H. Jones, Mrs. Clara D. Jones,
Hampden,	Rev. James B. Sargent.
Hanover, West,	Rev. John Wild, H. B. Barstow.
Hanson,	Miss I. Josie Estes.
Harwichport,	Rev. Edward T. Ford.
Haverhill, West,	Rev. John N. Lowell.
" Center,	Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Dea. Albert Emerson.
Hingham,	Rev. Arthur Truslow, Dea. Charles Bates.
Holbrook,	Rev. Warren F. Low.
Holden,	Rev. Thomas E. Babb.
Holliston,	Rev. N. Vander Pyl, Watson P. Gage.
Holyoke, 1st,	Rev. George W. Winch, Dea. Charles W. Hyde.
Hopkinton,	Rev. James B. King, Dea. A. G. Brewer.
Hyde Park,	Rev. Henry N. Hoyt, Edward S. Hathaway.
" Clarendon Hills,	Rev. Achilles L. Loder, John Halden.
Lawrence, Riverside,	Rev. Henry E. Oxnard.

Lawrence, Trinity,	Rev. Frederick H. Page.
Lee,	Augustus R. Smith.
Leominster,	Rev. George R. W. Scott.
Lexington,	Rev. Charles F. Carter.
Littleton,	Nelson B. Conant.
Longmeadow,	Rev. Stephen G. Barnes, Rev. R. S. Underwood.
Lowell, 1st,	Rev. Franke A. Warfield, Dea. Albert D. Carter.
" 1st Trinitarian,	Rev. George F. Kenngott, Dea. A. W. Sheldon.
" Eliot,	Frank I. Tyler.
" John St.,	Mrs. Frank I. Tyler.
" Kirk St.,	Dea. H. B. Shattuck.
" High St.,	Dea. William H. White.
Lynn, 1st,	Merrill F. Delnow.
" Central,	Rev. Charles C. Watson.
" North,	Rev. Arthur J. Covell, Mrs. Arthur J. Covell.
Manchester,	Rev. Walter H. Ashley, George W. Jewett.
Mansfield,	Rev. H. F. Swartz, A. V. Rogerson.
Marblehead,	Rev. H. Linton Bell, Nathan P. Sanborn.
Marion,	Rev. Harry L. Brickett.
Medford, Mystic,	Rev. John Barstow, Dea. D. W. Wilcox.
" West,	Rev. Judson V. Clancy.
" Union,	Rev. Isaac Pierson.
Medway, Village,	Sumner H. Clark.
Melrose,	Rev. Thomas Sims, Dea. Curtis C. Goss.
" Highlands,	Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, Rev. Edwin Leonard.
Merrimac,	Mrs. George L. Todd.
Methuen,	Rev. Charlas H. Oliphant.
Middleboro', 1st,	Rev. Geo W. Stearns, Dea. Augustus H. Soule,
" North,	Rev. Charles L. Tomblen.
" Central,	Rev. Richard G. Woodbridge, George H. Shaw.
Middleton,	Rev. Warren P. Landers. [of Hopedale.
Milford,	Rev. Webster Woodbury, Dea. A. A. Westcott,
Millis,	Rev. Albert H. Wheelock, Dea. Isaiah Cousins.
Milton,	Rev. Henry S. Huntington, John A. Tucker.
Monson,	Rev. Franklin S. Hatch.
Montague, Turner's Falls,	Rev. Frank N. Merriam.
Needham,	Joseph Willett.
Newbury,	Rev. Charles S. Holton.
Newburyport, Whitefield,	Rev. Frank G. Alger, Dea. D. S. Burley.
Newton, Eliot,	Rev. William H. Davis, Rev. S. Lewis B. Speare.
" Auburndale,	Rev. Charles M. Southgate, Rev. F. N. Peloubet.
" Highlands,	Rev. Charles E. Havens, Dea. William C. Strong.
Norfolk,	Lyman E. Ware.
North Adams,	Rev. William L. Tenney.
Northampton, 1st,	Prof. George N. Webber.
North Andover,	Daniel W. Carney.
North Brookfield, 1st,	Rev. John L. Sewall.
Norwood,	Rev. Charles F. Weeden.
Orange, Central,	Rev. William N. T. Dean.
Palmer, 2d,	Rev. F. B. Harrison.
Peabody, South,	Rev George A. Hall.
Pepperell,	Horace I. Whipple.
Plymouth, Manomet,	Rev. Haig Adadourian.
" Pilgrimage,	Rev. D. M. James.
" Chiltonville,	Rev. Frederick B. Noyes.
Princeton,	Rev. Charles A. White.
Quincy, Bethany,	Rev. Edward N. Hardy, Dea. Franklin Hardwick.
" Washington St. (Pt.),	Rev. Edward Anderson.
Randolph,	Rev. Charles A. Hilton, Dea. Royal T. Mann.
Raynham,	Rev. Sidney K. B. Perkins, Dea. M. G. Shurtleff.
Reading,	Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, Dea. S. E. Parker.
Rehoboth,	Hon. John C. Marvel.
Revere, 1st,	Rev. Walter S. Eaton.
Rockland,	Rev. Fred Hovey Allen, J. S. Smith.
Rockport, 1st,	Rev. Israel Ainsworth.
Royalston,	Rev. F. J. Fairbanks.
Salem, Tabernacle,	Rev. DeWitt S. Clark.

Salem, South,	Rev. James F. Brodie.
Saugus, Cliftondale,	W. A. Stone.
Scituate Center,	Rev. Seelye Bryant.
Sharon,	Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Mrs. A. K. Brown.
Shelburne,	Rev. Joseph A. Goodrich, George E. Taylor.
Somerset,	Rev. Thomas F. Norris, Mrs. A. L. Morrill.
Somerville, 1st,	Rev. Robert W. Wallace, Dea. J. P. Heath.
" Broadway,	Rev. Horace H. Leavitt, Dea. Charles J. Hooper.
" Winter Hill,	Rev. Charles L. Noyes.
Southboro,	Rev. Martin F. Mevis.
Spencer,	Rev. Charles E. Sumner.
Springfield, South,	Rev. Philip S. Moxon, Dea. Albert H. Kirkham.
" Emmanuel,	Rev. David L. Kebbe, Dea. Nelson Lombard.
" Faith,	Rev. Henry C. Meserve, Charles W. Ranneberg.
Stoneham,	Rev. Charles E. Beales, Wilbur W. Chapman.
Stoughton,	Henry W. Darling.
Swampscott,	Rev. Daniel E. Burtner, Rev. George A. Jackson.
Taunton, Trinitarian,	Rev. Francis A. Fate, Elijah E. Richards.
" Winslow,	Rev. T. Clayton Welles, Dea. James H. Dean.
" East,	Rev. Halah H. Loud, Miss Gertrude F. Dean.
" Union,	Rev. Frank L. Luce.
Topsfield,	Rev. Francis A. Poole.
Upton,	Rev. Alexander Wiswall.
Uxbridge,	Rev. Frank L. Bristol, Dr. W. L. Johnson.
Wakefield,	Rev. Albert P. Davis.
Walpole, East,	William L. Aldrich.
Ware, East,	Dea. William S. Hyde.
Wareham,	Rev. J. Herbert Yeoman.
Webster,	Rev. Henry A. Blake.
Westboro,	Rev. Merle A. Breed, William A. Sanford.
Westfield, 1st,	Mrs. Frank P. Searle.
" 2d,	Rev. Lyman H. Blake.
West Newbury, 2d,	Rev. Charles F. Clarke.
Westwood, Islington,	Mrs. Mary Pettigrew.
Weymouth, 1st, Heights,	Rev. Robert R. Kendall, Miss Ellen G. Parrott.
" Old South, So.,	Rev. Henry C. Alvord, Francis H. Fearing.
" and Braintree,	Rev. Henry S. Snyder, Miss Sarah M. Loud.
" Union, South,	Rev. Frank E. Butler, Dea. Walter L. Bates.
" East,	Isaac N. Colby.
Whitman,	Rev. Edward C. Camp, Dea. A. H. Gurney.
Wilbraham, North,	Rev. Charles H. Gates.
Williamsburg,	Miss Genevra Hill.
Winchendon, 1st,	Rev. S. Winchester Adriance.
" North,	Rev. Davis Foster.
Woburn,	Deaconess Mrs. Jessie A. Brown.
Worcester, 1st,	Rev. Arcturus Z. Conrad.
" Central,	Daniel M. Wheeler.
" Union,	Dea. A. E. Wilson.
" Plymouth,	Dea. Henry Biglow.
" Piedmont,	Rev. Willard Scott, Dea. B. T. Pettengill.
" *Swedish*, 1st,	Rev. August L. Anderson.
" Pilgrim,	Rev. Alexander Lewis, Arthur E. Gray.
" Park,	Rev. Inman L. Willcox, Ezra Sawyer.
" Hope,	Rev. Ellsworth W. Phillips.
Yarmouth,	Miss Alice Matthews.

DELEGATES FROM THE CONFERENCES.

Andover,	Dea. James G. Buttrick, Lowell.
Brookfield,	Rev. Silvanus Hayward, Globe Village.
" South,	Dea. William Stephens.
Hampden,	Dea. Frank P. Searle.
Hampshire,	A. Lyman Williston.
Middlesex, Union,	Rev. Joseph Torrey.
Norfolk,	Nathaniel W. Treat.
Old Colony,	Rev. William Carruthers.
Pilgrim,	Rev. D. Melancthon James.
Suffolk, West,	Rev. John O. Haarvig.

Woburn,	Sidney A. Bull.
Worcester, Central,	Dea. George C. Newton, Worcester.
" North,	Mrs. B. S. Gilman.
" South,	William E. Fowler.

DELEGATES FROM THE ASSOCIATIONS.

Andover,	Rev. William A. Bartlett.
Brookfield,	Rev. Benson M. Frink.
Cape Cod,	Rev. Edward T. Ford.
Essex, North,	Rev. George L. Todd.
Mendon,	Rev. Benjamin F. Perkins.
Middlesex, South,	Rev. Daniel E. Adams.
Norfolk,	Rev. Isaac C. White.
Plymouth,	Rev. Charles S. Bates.
Suffolk, North,	Rev. Edward G. Porter.
" West,	Rev. Samuel W. Dike.
Taunton,	Rev. S. Hopkins Emery.
Woburn,	Rev. Doremus Scudder.
Worcester, Central,	Rev. John E. Tuttle.
" North,	Rev. Burton S. Gilman.

DELEGATES FROM HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. Elijah Horr, Brookline.
Rev. Joshua Coit, Winchester.

MEMBERS, EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Henry A. Hazen, secretary.
Rev. Eugene C. Webster, assistant secretary.
Rev. Francis J. Marsh, registrar.
Rev. James W. Flagg, assistant registrar.
Henry P. Emerson, treasurer.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Charles E. Swett, Winchester.
Albert E. Harwood, Newton.

A quorum being present the Association proceeded to ballot for moderator for the session and made choice of Mr. John L. Brewster, of Andover, who was welcomed to the office by the retiring moderator. The moderator responded and asked the Association to join with him in the Lord's Prayer.

On motion of Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale, it was

Voted, to adopt the amendment to Rule V. proposed last year by Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, as follows: —

"Each evangelical Congregational church in the State may send to the Association one delegate, and each conference and each association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar and treasurer, shall compose the General Association. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports, shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit."

The report of the secretary, Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale, was presented and accepted.[1] It was

Voted, That the committee on nominations be appointed by the chair.

The report of the treasurer, H nry P. Emerson, of Lynn, was presented,[2] followed by the report of the auditing committee, presented by Charles E. Swett, of Winchester. It was

Voted, That the reports of the treasurer and of the auditing committee be accepted.

An address of welcome was given by Rev. Alan B. Hudson, pastor of the church entertaining the Association. Response was made by the moderator. The hymn, "I love Thy Kingdom, Lord," was sung. The moderator appointed the following committee on nominations: Thomas Todd, of Concord; Rev. Fred H. Page, of Lawrence; Rev. James F. Brodie, of Salem; Rev. Davis Foster, of Winchendon; Charles E. Swett, of Winchester.

On motion of Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton, it was

Voted, That the reports of the several committees be received in the order given upon the program and each be allowed ten minutes.

The moderator then called for the report of the committee on Sunday observance. No response was made, and the report on the wider circulation of religious literature was presented by Rev. F. B. Makepeace, of Springfield. This report was accepted.

The report of the committee on ministerial standing was presented by Rev. F. B. Makepeace.

The report of the committee on labor organizations was presented by James G. Buttrick, of Lowell.[3]

The report of the committee on gambling was presented by Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale.[4]

Before hearing the next report the committee on nominations recommended the following as the committee of arrangements: Rev. Alan B. Hudson, of Brockton; George E. Keith, of Brockton; Rev. John E. Tuttle, of Worcester; Hon. Samuel L. Sawyer, of Danvers; Rev. L. H. Blake, of Westfield. These nominations were confirmed.

The report of the committee on temperance was then presented by Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain.[5] Discussion followed, participated in by Rev. H. H. Leavitt, of Somerville, Rev. William L. Tenney, of North Adams, Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain.

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[1] See page 84. [2] See page 87. [3] See page 107. [4] See page 98. [5] See page 101.

On motion of Rev. George L. Todd, of Merrimac, it was

Voted, That the reports of the committees on ministerial standing, labor organizations, gambling and temperance lie upon the table for further consideration.

Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, presented a resolution to amend Rule XV., Section 1, by substituting "April 15th" for "April 1st."

Prayer was offered by Rev. Davis Foster, of Winchendon, after which, at 5.30, the Association took a recess until 7.20 P. M.

Evening Session.

At 7.20 o'clock the Association reassembled, the moderator in the chair. Devotional services were led by Rev. Albert F. Pierce, of Brockton. The sermon was preached by Rev. Edward L. Clark, of Boston, on the theme, "Christ in the Church the Source of the Power;" text, Psa. lxxxiv. 6, 7.

A statement in regard to the needs of the Board of Ministerial Aid was given by Rev. E. C. Ewing, of Danvers, and an offering was made, amounting to $65.96. The administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper followed, Rev. E. C. Ewing, of Danvers, and Rev. John E. Tuttle, of Worcester, officiating.

After the singing of the hymn "Blest be the tie that binds," and the benediction, the Association took a recess, to meet at 8.20 o'clock Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY.

Morning Session.

At 8.20 o'clock the Association reassembled. A devotional service was led by Rev. Joseph A. Goodrich, of Shelburne. At nine o'clock, the moderator in the chair, the Association was opened with prayer by Rev. Richard G. Woodbridge, of Middleboro. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The moderator appointed the following committee on credentials: Rev. H. C. Meserve, of Springfield; A. D. Carter, of Lowell; Rev. Silvanus Hayward, of Southbridge; Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Rev. Wm. L. Tenney, of North Adams.

Rev. Merle A. Breed, of Westboro, presented a resolution upon ministerial standing, which was referred to the business committee. The Association

Voted, To give ten minutes to Rev. Elijah Horr, of Brookline, to present

a statement concerning the work of the "committee of fifteen" appointed by the National Council.

By consent of the Association also four minutes were given to Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River, to speak upon the John Robinson Memorial church. It was then

Voted, That the recommendations of the National Council of 1898 respecting the John Robinson Memorial church be referred to the business committee for consideration and report.

Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale, moved that a committee be nominated to act with the "committee of fifteen" of the National Council. Referred to the business committee. It was

Voted, To take up the reports which were laid upon the table yesterday for consideration.

Rev. A. Z. Conrad, of Worcester, spoke on the report of the committee on ministerial standing. It was

Voted, To accept the report of the committee on ministerial standing, adopt its resolutions and continue the committee for one year.

The consideration of the reports on labor organizations, gambling, and temperance was deferred to a later hour.

The report of the committee on the work of the churches was presented by Rev. Stephen G. Barnes, of Longmeadow.[1] This report was accepted and the recommendations and resolutions in the report referred to the business committee.

The report of the committee on labor organizations was taken from the table and accepted and the committee continued.

The report of the committee on gambling was also taken from the table and accepted.

Rev. William Knight, of Fall River, presented the following resolution: —

Resolved, That the report of the committee on temperance be received and referred to a committee with Rev. William H. Davis as chairman, and four others appointed by the nominating committee, to make recommendations during this meeting of the Association as to the disposition of our committee's report and the subject thereof.

The resolution was adopted.

At 10.15 o'clock the theme of the morning, "The Power Obtained," was introduced by Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury, who spoke upon the special topic, "Power Obtained by Meditation."

[1] See page 88.

Before the next address the committee on nominations presented the following for the temperance committee: —

Rev. William H. Davis, of Newton; Albert G. Boyden, of Bridgewater; W. L. Johnson, of Uxbridge; Jessie A. Brown, of Woburn; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem.

Rev. Robert W. Wallace, of Somerville, then continued the theme of the morning, speaking upon "Power obtained by Prayer."[1] After singing the hymn, "My faith looks up to thee," Rev. John L. Withrow, of Boston, spoke upon "Power Obtained by Consecration," followed by Rev. Geo. W. Winch, of Holyoke, upon "Power Obtained by Self-Sacrifice."

On motion of Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale, it was

Voted, That all Congregational clergymen, not pastors of churches, also all members of Congregational churches in the State, not members of the Association, be invited to sit as honorary members of the Association.

The nominating committee reported the following nominations: —

Nominees for membership on the executive committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. — Rev. Elijah Horr, of Brookline; W. C. Strong, of Newton Highlands.

Committee on ministerial standing. — Rev. A. Z. Conrad, of Worcester; Rev. Wm. H. Davis, of Newton; Rev. W. A. Bartlett, of Lowell; Rev. Edward A. Reed, of Holyoke; Rev. John A. MacColl, of New Bedford.

Committee on the nomination of candidates for corporate membership of the American Board. — Rev. L. S. Rowland, of Lee; Rev. B. H. Weston, of Barnstable; Rev. Willard Scott, of Worcester; George N. Webber, of Northampton; D. W. Willcox, of Medford.

Publishing committee. — Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; Henry P. Emerson, of Lynn; Henry D. Noyes, of Hyde Park; Rev. Perley B. Davis, of Dorchester.

Auditing committee. — Charles E. Swett, of Winchester; J. H. Tewksbury, of Brookline; Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale.

These nominations were confirmed.

Mr. Henry P. Emerson, of Lynn, was, by ballot, elected treasurer of the Association for three years.

A resolution was presented by Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, of Monson, on human liberty, which was referred to the business committee.

At noon the Association took a recess until 4.30 P. M., or to the close of the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

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[1] See page 111.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 4.30 o'clock the Association reassembled, the moderator in the chair. The general theme of the afternoon, "The Application of the Power to Instruments of Progress" was introduced by Rev. A. E. Dunning, of Boston, who spoke upon the special topic "To the Press,"[1] followed by Hon. Albert E. Harwood, of Newton, speaking upon "To Politics."

A resolution by Rev. W. P. Landers, of Somerville, to amend Rule VI., Sect. 2, was presented and referred to the business committee.

The Association then took a recess until 7.20 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 7.20 o'clock with the moderator in the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. A. Beard, of Cambridge. Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale, presented proposed amendments to Rule VI., Sect. 5, and Rule XI., Sect. 7, which were referred to the business committee.

James G. Buttrick, of Lowell, presented a memorial from the Andover Conference, concerning the support of the Board of Pastoral Supply. Referred to the business committee.

The general theme of the evening, "The Application of the Power to Social Problems," was introduced by Rev. Willard Scott, of Worcester, speaking on the special topic "In the Consecration of Wealth."[2] He was followed by Rev. Franke A. Warfield, of Lowell, speaking on "In the Mitigation of Poverty"[3]; also by Prof. George Harris, of Andover, speaking on "In the Reconciliation of Classes." The hymn "Thy Kingdom come, O Lord," was sung. After prayer and the benediction, by Rev. L. H. Blake, of Westfield, the Association took a recess until 8.20 o'clock on Thursday morning.

THURSDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 8.20 A. M. A devotional service was led by Rev. Charles H. Oliphant, of Methuen. At nine o'clock the moderator called the Association to order and offered prayer. The business committee presented the following amendment to the Rules proposed yesterday by Rev. W. P. Landers: —

Resolved, That Rule VI., Sect. 2, be amended so as to read: "A modera-

[1] See page 117. [2] See page 120. [3] See page 125.

tor and alternate shall be elected by ballot at each annual session, to serve from the close of that session and until the election of their successors."

They also recommended that the ballot for moderator and alternate be taken at the business hour at twelve o'clock to-day. The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

The business committee also recommended that the Association endorse the effort of the committee upon the John Robinson Memorial church to raise the $5,000 towards extinguishing the indebtedness on the church, and that the pastors and members of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts be urged to assist in this matter as speedily and generously as possible. The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

The business committee also recommended that the Association appoint one from each Conference in the State, to be nominated by the nominating committee at this meeting, to act with the "committee of fifteen" appointed by the National Council. This was referred back to the business committee.

The business committee recommended the following amendments to the Rules, proposed yesterday by the Rev. H. A. Hazen: —

Resolved, That Sect. 5 of Rule VI. be amended by the insertion, after the words "disburse the same as directed," of the words "the auditing committee through its chairman"; also that Sect. 7 of Rule XI. be amended by adding the words "and through its chairman approving all bills presented for payment."

These amendments were adopted.

The Association then proceeded to vote, by ballot, for nominees for corporate membership of the American Board. It was

Voted, To extend the business hour to hear and act upon the report of the temperance committee,

which was presented by Rev. W. H. Davis, of Newton, as follows: —

Your committee to whom was referred the report of the committee on temperance wish to express in behalf of the State Association their hearty and honest thanks to the committee appointed last year at Greenfield for their unusual and unwearied labors in this great cause committed to their care. With rare devotion they have given their time, their strength, themselves, to a long continued and legislative battle for improved temperance instruction in the schools of the State; and we record herewith our high appreciation of their painstaking and brave service. And while their efforts have failed in securing a revision of the present temperance laws, yet in the unanimous judgment of your com-

mittee the temperance sentiment of Massachusetts has never received more wide-spread recognition than under the popular enlightenment and aroused moral sense generated by this campaign; so that the moral victory of this temperance crusade may prove more notable than any formal amendment to the existing law.

Therefore we recommend that, under the recent action of the legislative committee and their impressive reaffirmation of the obligatory character of the present temperance law, we wait and watch the result of an awakened public conscience and a rejuvenated temperance law, relying as heretofore upon the loyal co-operation and notable fidelity of the teachers of the Commonwealth in carrying out the spirit of this statute. But lest such a suspension of present activity should seem to surrender our continued interest and vigilance in this great cause, we recommend further that a "committee of outlook" consisting of seven members, representing the home, the school, the legal and medical professions, as well as the churches, be appointed by this Association for the ensuing year.

(Signed) W. H. Davis.
Albert G. Boyden.
Wm. L. Johnson.
Jessie A. Brown.
DeWitt S. Clark.

The report was accepted and adopted.

The Association voted three minutes to W. E. Fowler, of Grafton, to present a memorial from the Worcester South Conference relating to the method of supporting the Board of Pastoral Supply. Referred to the business committee.

It was

Voted, To accept the invitation of the First church of Amherst to hold there the next annual session of the Association.

The report of the Board of Pastoral Supply was then given by its secretary, Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, and was accepted.[1]

It was

Voted, To act upon the memorials respecting the relation of the Association to the Board of Pastoral Supply, now in the hands of the business committee, as follows: —

The Andover Conference, Hampshire East Conference, and Worcester Central and South Conferences.

It was

Voted, To refer this matter to a special committee to report at the next business hour.

The moderator appointed as this committee: Rev. Charles H. Oliphant, of Methuen; Rev. Franklin C. Hatch, of Monson; Rev. A. J. Dyer, of Sharon.

[1] See page 91.

The auditing committee reported a probable apportionment of six cents per member if the Board of Pastoral Supply is continued, two cents of the six to be applied to the support of the Board.

The general theme of the morning, "The Application of the Power to the World's Problems," was introduced by Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline, who spoke upon the special topic "To International Disarmament," followed by Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield, speaking upon "To International Responsibility for Christian Civilization." Rev. A. A. Berle, of Brighton, followed, speaking upon "What the Church Owes to the Twentieth Century." [1]

The ballot for candidates for corporate membership of the American Board was then announced, resulting in the nomination of the following: —

Rev. Alexander Lewis, of Worcester; Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn; Miss Abbie Child, of Boston; Miss Caroline Hazard, of Wellesley; Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, of Cambridge.

The report of the special committee appointed to consider the memorials from conferences relating to the Board of Pastoral Supply was then given by Rev. Charles H. Oliphant, of Methuen, as follows: —

Resolved, That this Association approve the institution and work of the Board of Pastoral Supply, and adopt the recommendation embodied in the annual report of the secretary, Rev. C. B. Rice. The Association acknowledges the propriety and force of the several memorials presented to it from a few of our conferences, and we declare the intention to reduce, through the Board and as rapidly as possible, the apportionment of its expenses upon the churches.

We call attention to the fact that the amount apportioned for last year was largely due to the debt contracted in the establishment of the Board, of which debt but $800 remains; and we look forward to the time, not far distant, when this agency shall have attained such efficiency that its support shall be no longer felt by the churches as a burden. The Association further recommends to the Board for its consideration the question of assessing upon ministers a fee for occasional supplies.

The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

The nominating committee reported the following nominations, which were confirmed: —

Provisional committee, — Rev. Henry R. McCartney and Mr. W. I. Fletcher, of Amherst; Rev. Henry T. Rose, of Northampton; Rev. C. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston.

Trustees of the Board of Pastoral Supply for three years. — Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Center; Henry H. Proctor, of Boston; Henry E. Cobb, of Newton.

[1] See page 128.

Committee on the work of the churches. — For three years: Rev. J. D. Kingsbury, of Bradford; Rev. G. A. Tewksbury, of Concord; E. F. Morris, of Monson. For two years: Rev. S. G. Barnes, of Longmeadow; Rev. F. L. Bristol, of Uxbridge; Geo. H. Shaw, of Middleboro. For one year: Rev. J. Colt, of Winchester; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Arthur E. Gray, of Worcester.

Committee on temperance. — Rev. W. H. Davis, of Newton; Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; T. M. Balliet, of Springfield; Francis E. Bundy, M. D., of Boston; Jessie A. Brown, of Woburn.

Committee on labor organizations. — Rev. W. H. Allbright, of Dorchester; Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cambridge; Rev. E. L. House, of Attleboro; James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; W. L. Spaulding, of Worcester; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; Rev. F. W. Merrick, of West Roxbury.

Delegates to the International Council. — Lieut.-Gov. W. Murray Crane, of Dalton; Hon. Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; Rev. Albert H. Plumb, of Roxbury; John L. Brewster, of Andover; Rev. Alexander McKenzie, of Cambridge; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Rev. D. M. James, of Plymouth; Rev. Morton Dexter, of Boston; Pres. Franklin Carter, of Williamstown; Lewis N. Gilbert, of Ware; Charles U. Bell, of Lawrence; Thomas J. Borden, of Fall River; Dwight L. Moody, of Northfield; George W. Cable, of Northampton; Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton; Pres. G. Stanley Hall, of Worcester.

The business committee presented the following resolution: —

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Association there should be uniformity as to the body with which ministerial standing rests; and

Resolved, That in Massachusetts ministerial standing be hereafter with the conferences of the churches.

The business committee recommended that these resolutions be referred to the committee on ministerial standing.

The report was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

In response to the request of the "committee of fifteen" that a sub-committee of one from each conference to co-operate with them be appointed by this Association, the business committee recommended that this sub-committee be appointed by the local conferences.

The report was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

It was

Voted, That the treasurer, with the advice and co-operation of the auditing committee, shall have authority to charge to profit and loss such accounts as are uncollectable on the books of the treasurer.

It was

Voted, To proceed to the election by ballot of a moderator, and alternate.

Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield, was chosen moderator, and Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain, alternate.

It was

Voted, That a committee of three, of which the moderator shall be a member, shall be appointed to send a communication to the American representatives in the arbitration conference now sitting at the Hague, expressing the sympathy of this Association with the object of the conference, and its earnest desire that the conference shall be successful in promoting the permanent peace of the world.

Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield, Rev. Joshua Coit, of Winchester, and the moderator, were chosen as this committee.

Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, asked permission to withdraw his resolution to amend Sect. 1 of Rule XV., and it was withdrawn.

The recommendations of the report of the committee on the Work of the Churches were referred back from the business committee, and adopted, as follows: —

That Rule XI., Section 6, second sentence, be amended, so as to read: "This committee shall consist of nine members, three to be chosen each year, to serve for three years. The scribes of the local conferences shall be corresponding members of this committee."

If this amendment is adopted, we recommend that the committee, as now constituted, be discontinued, and that a new committee be chosen under the amended rule, three members to serve for one year, three for two years, and three for three years.

The Association then took a recess until 2.20 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

The Association reassembled at 2.20 o'clock, the moderator in the chair, and united in the Lord's Prayer.

The business committee called attention to the fact that no action had been taken by the Association to continue the committees on gambling, Sunday observance, and the wider circulation of religious literature. It was then

Voted, That such committees be appointed.

The business committee presented the following resolution: —

Resolved, That this body welcomes the news from England relative to the collapse of one of the two Sunday newspapers in the city of London, after an existence of but six weeks, and the expected surrender of the only other seven-days paper published in all England. This is a most gratifying victory for moral reform and should stimulate the friends of the Sabbath in this country, in which several hundred Sunday papers are published.

Resolved, That we commend to the churches of Massachusetts the work of the New England Sabbath Protective League, as worthy their confidence and support.

These resolutions were adopted. It was

Voted, That the provisional committee of next year consider the desirability of introducing upon their program the theme of the "Family and Divorce."

It was also

Voted, That the temperance committee be instructed to include in their report, at the next annual meeting of the Association, a full consideration of the South Carolina dispensary system as a substitute for the licensed saloon.

The auditing committee recommended that, for 1899, the Association ask the churches for the sum of six cents per member. Adopted.

The greetings of this Association to the Peace Conference, now in session at the Hague, were presented by Rev. P. S. Moxom, of Springfield, and it was

Voted, To send them by cable.

The following resolutions were then presented by Rev. A. J. Dyer, of Sharon, and were adopted: —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be extended to this the first church of Brockton, for its generous and enthusiastic hospitality; to the pastor of this church, Rev. Alan B. Hudson to the corps of ushers, the reception committee, and other officials who have so efficiently attended to the details of our entertainment; to the organist and choir who have contributed so markedly to the pleasure and spiritual profit of our sessions; to the other churches of Brockton, and to the citizens of this city who have so kindly opened their homes for our rest and comfort; to Mr. George E. Keith, and to all others who have extended kindness and courtesies.

Resolved, That we express our cordial thanks to our efficient moderator, Mr. John L. Brewster, to the scribe, registrar, and other officers of the Association; to the provisional committee for their success in furnishing a program that has raised the interest and value of our session above even high-water mark; to the railroads who have kindly granted the usual reduced rates; and to the local press for its generous recognition and full reports of the proceedings and addresses.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the minutes of this Association, and that a copy of them be presented to the first church in Brockton.

It was

Voted, That the matter of the decrease of attendance in the Sunday

schools of our churches during the past year be referred to the committee on the work of the churches.

The general theme of the afternoon, "The Application of the Power to the Twentieth Century," was introduced by Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, of Greenfield, who spoke on the special topic "What the Twentieth Century owes to the Church."[1] He was followed by Rev. Arthur Little, of Dorchester, who spoke upon "A Forward Movement for the Evangelization of the World."

The committee on nominations reported the following: —

On Sunday observance. — Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury; Rev. John E. Tuttle, of Worcester; Rev. Arthur Little, of Dorchester; Rev. R. A. McFadden, of Chelsea; Joseph Willett, of Needham.

On gambling. — Rev. C. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. C. M. Southgate, of Auburndale; Rev. Isaac Pierson, of Medford; S. Homer Woodbridge, of Boston; Rev. William Gallagher, of South Braintree; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Center; S. K. Hamilton, of Wakefield.

On the wider circulation of religious literature. — Rev. G. Glenn Atkins, of Greenfield; Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, of Cohasset; H. Porter Smith, of Cambridge; Rev. Warren P. Landers, of Somerville; Hamilton S. Conant, of Boston.

These nominations were confirmed.

The committee on credentials presented the following report: —

Whole number of delegates present	344
Clergymen	205
Lay delegates	139
Number of churches represented	225
By pastors	172
By others	144
Number of conferences represented	18
By clergymen	5
By others	18
Number of associations represented	15

Closing words were spoken by Rev. Andrew W. Archibald, of Brockton.

After the singing of a hymn, and prayer offered by Rev. W. H. Davis, of Newton, the Association adjourned.

JOHN L. BREWSTER, *moderator.*
REV. FRANCIS J. MARSH, *registrar.*
REV. JAMES W. FLAGG, *assistant registrar.*

[1] See page 133.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

EXPLANATIONS.

The tables which follow comprise: —

1. The list of Conferences, with the times of meeting and names of officers.

2. The statistics of pastoral supply, membership, additions, removals, baptisms, Sabbath schools, and families; of the Young People's Societies; those of charities and expenses. The tables, in accordance with the vote of the Association, in 1887, are made to conform to those in the YEAR-BOOK.

3. The statistics of ministers, lists of ordinations, installations, dismissals, and deaths.

The tables of the second part contain the names of all the Congregational churches in Massachusetts, the towns and cities being arranged alphabetically; churches in each town according to age.

The column specifying ministers is corrected up to the time of printing. Church members and families are reported as numbered on the morning of Jan. 1, 1899. Admissions, removals, and baptisms cover the year 1898. "Absent" are not additional to "males," "females," and "total," but included in them. "Sunday school" includes total membership of teachers and scholars, Jan. 1, 1899, or when the school is in operation (if not at that date), covering "branch schools," and "mission schools," so far as maintained by the reporting church

The months and days in the dates of the organization of churches are omitted. They will be found in the publication of 1873, those of churches since organized being given in the list of new churches each year. Also the months and days in the dates of ordination and installation of ministers are omitted. The former may be found in the lists of the local Associations, pages 63-83.

"Ordained" denotes the date on which the person was originally set apart to the ministry by the "laying on of hands." "Installed" denotes the date of his *present* pastorate.

In accordance with the recommendation of the National Council, pastors installed or recognized by council are marked "*p. c.*"; pastors duly called by their churches and recognized by some "definite act of the church," but not by council, are marked "*p.*"; others in service are not marked, but in tabular summaries are counted as "supplies."

Blanks in any column of figures are never equivalent to "none," but mean "no report"; but blanks in the column of *ministers* do mean that the church has no pastor or acting pastor, and the blank is left for the convenience of those who note changes.

☞ All *post-office addresses* are to be found in the "List of Ministers," and NOT IN THE TABLES. H. A. H.

THE CONFERENCES OF THE CHURCHES.

1. ANDOVER. — Organized June 8, 1859.

CHURCHES. — In Andover: South; West; Free; Union, Ballardvale; Theological Seminary. In Chelmsford: 2d at North; Central. In Dracut: 1st; Central. In Lawrence: Lawrence Street; Trinity; South; United; Riverside. In Lowell: Pawtucket; 1st; Eliot; John Street; Kirk Street; High Street; *French;* Highland; *Swedish; Trinitarian; Norwegian.* Methuen. North Andover. Tewksbury. Tyngsboro. Total: 29 churches.

Albert W. Burnham, Lowell, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Edward W. Pride, Andover, *statistical secretary.* Conference meets on the last Tuesday in April and the second Tuesday in October.

2. BARNSTABLE CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 28, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Barnstable: West; Centreville; Hyannis. Chatham. In Dennis: South; Union. In Falmouth: 1st; East; North; Waquoit; Woods Holl. Harwich; Harwich Port. Nantucket. Orleans. Provincetown. Sandwich. In Truro: 1st; North In Wellfleet: 1st; South. In Yarmouth: 1st; West. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. John J. Walker, Yarmouth, *scribe, treasurer.* Conference meets on second Tuesdays in May and November.

3. BERKSHIRE NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 3, 1867.

CHURCHES. — Adams. Becket, North. Dalton. Hinsdale. Lanesboro. Middlefield. North Adams. Peru. In Pittsfield: 1st; 2d; South Pilgrim. Richmond. In Williamstown: 1st; College; South; White Oaks. Windsor. (Canaan and New Lebanon, N. Y.) Total: 18 churches.

Deacon George French, North Adams, *secretary and treasurer.* Annual meeting, second Wednesday in November; semi-annual, second Wednesday in May.

4. BERKSHIRE SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Aug. 29, 1860.

CHURCHES. — Becket Centre. Egremont South. In Great Barrington: 1st; Housatonic. Lee. Lenox. Monterey. Mount Washington. In New Marlboro: 1st; Southfield; Mill River. Otis. In Sandisfield: 1st; New Boston. Sheffield. In Stockbridge: 1st; Curtisville. In West Stockbridge: Village; Centre. Total: 19 churches.

Bennett T. Gale, Lee, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Walter W. Curtis, West Stockbridge, *statistical secretary.* Annual meeting in November.

5. BROOKFIELD CONFERENCE. — Organized June 13, 1821.

CHURCHES. — Barre. Brimfield. Brookfield. Charlton. Dana. Dudley. In Hardwick: 1st; Gilbertville. Holland. New Braintree. In North Brookfield: 1st; Union. Oakham. Southbridge. Spencer. Sturbridge. In Ware: 1st; East; *French.* In Warren: 1st; West. West Brookfield. Total: 22 churches.

Rev. Edward B. Blanchard, Brookfield, *scribe and treasurer.*

Meetings: annual, first Tuesday in May, 2 days; semi-annual, third Tuesday in September, 1 day.

6. ESSEX NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized April 30, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Amesbury: 1st; Union. Boxford, West. In Bradford: 1st; Ward Hill. Georgetown: 1st; Memorial. Groveland. In Haverhill: West; 4th; Centre; North; Riverside; Union; St. Johns, *French*. In Ipswich: 1st; Linebrook. Merrimac. In Newbury: 1st; Byfield. In Newburyport: North; Prospect Street; Belleville; Whitefield. Rowley. In West Newbury: 1st; 2d. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. David C. Torrey, Byfield, *scribe*. Rev. John N. Lowell, Haverhill, *statistical secretary and treasurer*. Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

7. ESSEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Beverly: North; Dane Street; Washington Street. Boxford. In Danvers: 1st; Maple Street. Essex. In Gloucester: West; Trinity; Lanesville; Magnolia. Hamilton. Ipswich South. In Lynn: 1st; Central; Chestnut Street; North; *Swedish*. In Lynnfield: Centre; 2d. Manchester. Marblehead. Middleton. In Peabody: South; Rockville; West. In Rockport: 1st; Pigeon Cove; *Swedish*. In Salem: Tabernacle; South; Crombie Street. Saugus: 1st, and Cliftondale. Swampscott. Topsfield. Wenham. Total: 37 churches.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. E. C. Ewing, Danvers, *statistical scribe*. Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

8. FRANKLIN CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 10, 1843.

CHURCHES. — Ashfield. Bernardston. Buckland. In Charlemont: 1st; East. Colerain. Conway. In Deerfield: South; Orthodox. Erving. Gill. In Greenfield: 1st; 2d. In Hawley: East; West; Leverett, Moore's Corner. In Montague: 1st; Miller's Falls; Turner's Falls. Northfield. Orange: Central; *Swedish*. In Shelburne: 1st; Falls. Shutesbury. Sunderland. Warwick. Wendell Centre. Whately. Total: 29 churches.

Rev. Edward P. Butler, Sunderland, *scribe and treasurer*. Conference meets second Wednesday and Thursday in September.

9. HAMPDEN CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 4, 1850.

CHURCHES. — In Agawam: Feeding Hills; 2d. Blandford: 1st; 2d. In Chester: 1st; 2d. In Chicopee: 1st; 2d; 3d. In Granville: East; West. Hampden. In Holyoke: 1st; 2d; *French*. Huntington, 2d. In Longmeadow: 1st; East. In Ludlow: 1st; Mills. Monson. In Palmer: 1st; 2d; Three Rivers. South Hadley Falls. Southwick. In Springfield: 1st; Olivet; South; North; Indian Orchard; Sandford st.; Hope; *French*; Eastern Avenue; Emmanuel; Park; *Swedish*. Faith. Tolland. In Westfield: 1st; 2d. In West Springfield: 1st; Mittineague; Park st. In Wilbraham: Centre; North. Total, 47 churches.

Rev. Henry C. Meserve, Springfield, *scribe*. Frank P. Searle, Westfield, *treasurer*. Conference meets last Tuesday in October; semi-annual meeting in April.

10. HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE. — Organized February, 1865.

CHURCHES. — Chesterfield. In Cummington: East; West. In Easthampton: 1st; Payson. Goshen. Hatfield. Huntington 1st. In Northampton: 1st;

Edwards; Florence. Plainfield. Southampton. Westhampton. In Williamsburg: 1st; Haydenville. Worthington. Total: 17 churches.

W. M. Purrington, Haydenville, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. A. C. Townsend, Westhampton, *statistical secretary* Conference meets in the spring and fall at the call of the executive committee.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 13, 1860.

CHURCHES. — In Amherst: 1st; 2d; College; North; South. Belchertown. Enfield. Granby. Greenwich. In Hadley: 1st; 2d. Leverett. In Pelham: 1st; Packardville. Prescott. South Hadley, 1st. Total: 16 churches.

Dea. M. B. Kingman, Amherst, *registrar and treasurer.* Rev. George E. Fisher, North Amherst, *statistical secretary.* Semi-annual meeting, last Tuesday in April; annual, third Tuesday in October.

12. MENDON CONFERENCE. — Organized April 12, 1858.

CHURCHES. — Foxboro. Franklin. Mansfield. Medfield. In Medway: Village; West; 3d. Milford. Millis. Norfolk. Walpole. Wrentham. Total: 12 churches.

Rev. James W. Flagg, Foxboro, *scribe and treasurer.* Conference meets third Wednesday of April and October.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Aug. 20, 1828.

CHURCHES. — Ashland. Dover. In Framingham: Plymouth; Saxonville; South. Holliston. Hopkinton. Hudson. Lincoln. In Marlboro: 1st; *French.* Maynard. In Natick: 1st; South. Northboro. Sherborn. In Southboro: Pilgrim; Southville. Sudbury. Wayland. Wellesley. Total: 21 churches.

Rev. Edward H. Chandler, Wellesley, *scribe and treasurer.* Meetings, third Tuesdays of April and October.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1853.

CHURCHES. — Acton: 1st; South. Ashby. Ayer. Boxboro. Concord. Dunstable. In Fitchburg: Calvinist; Rollstone; *German; Swedish.* Groton: 1st; West. Harvard. Lancaster. In Leominster: Centre; North. Littleton. Lunenburg. Pepperell. Shirley Village. Townsend. Westford. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Joel D. Miller, Leominster, *scribe and treasurer.* Annual meeting, third Wednesday in October. Spring meeting in April.

15. NORFOLK CONFERENCE. — Organized June 14, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Abington: 1st; North. In Braintree: 1st; South. In Bridgewater: Central Square; Scotland. In Brockton: 1st; Campello; Porter Evan.; *Swedish;* Waldo; Wendell av.; Lincoln. In Cohasset: Evangelical; Beechwood. East Bridgewater. In Easton: 1st; *Swedish.* In Hingham: 1st; Nantasket. Holbrook. In Milton: 1st; 2d. In Quincy: Evangelical; Washington st., *Swedish.* Norfolk Downs. Randolph. Rockland Sharon. Stoughton. In Weymouth: 1st; 2d, South; Landing; Union, South; North; East. Whitman. Total: 38 churches.

Rev. A. H. Fuller, Easton Center, *scribe.* Dea. Sanford W. Billings, Sharon, *treasurer.* Rev. R. R. Kendall, Weymouth Heights, *statistical secretary.* Meetings first Tuesday in May, and last Tuesday in October.

16. OLD COLONY CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept. 23, 1856.

CHURCHES. — Dartmouth South. Edgartown. Fairhaven. Lakeville. Marion. Mattapoisett. In Middleboro: 1st; Central. In New Bedford: 1st; North; Trinitarian. In Rochester: 1st; North; East. Wareham. Westport. West Tisbury. Total: 17 churches.

Rev. William Carruthers, 89 Suffolk st., Holyoke, *scribe and treasurer*. Conference meets for a two-days session the third Tuesday in April and the last Tuesday in October.

17. PILGRIM CONFERENCE. — Organized April 27, 1830.

CHURCHES. — Carver North. Duxbury. Halifax. In Hanover: 1st; 2d. Hanson. Kingston. In Marshfield: 1st; 2d. In Plymouth: Manomet; Pilgrimage; Chiltonville. Plympton. Scituate. Total: 14 churches.

Rev. John Wild, Hanover, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. Zenas Crowell, Kingston, *statistical secretary*. Conference meets in April and October, for two-days session each.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — Arlington. In Boston: 1st and Winthrop, Charlestown; Maverick, East Boston; Mt. Vernon and Seamen's; E. Boston, Baker. In Cambridge: 1st; 1st Cambridgeport; North Avenue; Pilgrim, Wood Memorial, and Hope, Cambridgeport. In Chelsea: 1st; Central; 3d. In Everett: 1st; Courtland st.; Mystic Side. In Revere: 1st; Beachmont. In Somerville: 1st; Broadway; West; Prospect Hill; Winter Hill; Highlands. Winthrop. Total: 28 churches.

Frank E. Hodgkins, 428 Broadway, Somerville, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart, Chelsea, *statistical secretary*. Meetings on the second Wednesdays of April and October.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — In Boston: Dorchester, 2d; Union; Phillips, South Boston; Dorchester Village; Eliot, Roxbury; West Roxbury; Central and Boylston, Jamaica Plain; Immanuel, Roxbury; Trinity, Neponset; Pilgrim, Dorchester; Highland and Walnut Avenue, Roxbury; Olivet; Harvard and Central, Dorchester; Roslindale; St. Marks. Canton. Dedham. In Hyde Park: 1st; Clarendon. Norwood. In Quincy: Atlantic; Wollaston Heights. East Walpole. Westwood, Islington. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Neponset, *scribe*. E. S. Hathaway, Hyde Park, *treasurer*. Harry G. Dixon, Neponset, *statistical secretary*. Meetings on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

20. SUFFOLK WEST CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 17, 1873.

CHURCHES. — In Belmont: Waverly. In Boston: Old South; Park st.; Berkeley Temple; Brighton; Central; Shawmut; Allston; *Norwegian* and *Swedish*. Brookline: Harvard; Leyden. Needham. In Newton: 1st, Newton Center; 2d, West Newton; Eliot; Auburndale; Nonantum; Central, Newtonville; Highlands. Waltham: 1st; *Swedish*. Watertown. Wellesley Hills. Weston. Total: 25 churches.

Rev. Parris T. Farwell, Wellesley Hills, *recording and statistical secretary*. Benjamin F. Dewing, 11 Milford Street, Boston, *treasurer*. Meetings, second Wednesdays of April and October.

21. TAUNTON CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 2, 1849.

CHURCHES. — Attleboro. Berkley. Dighton. In Fall River: 1st; Central; 3d; *French;* Broadway. Assonet in Freetown. Lakeville. Middleboro North. North Attleboro: 1st; Falls; Trinity. Norton. In Raynham: 1st; North. Rehoboth. Somerset. In Taunton: West; Trinitarian; Winslow; East; Union. Total: 24 churches.

Rev. Elwin L. House, Dorchester, *scribe.* Thomas Chew, Box 460, Fall River, *treasurer.* Conference holds two sessions annually of one day each, in the spring and fall.

22. WOBURN CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept 5, 1848.

CHURCHES. — Bedford. Billerica. Burlington. Carlisle. Hancock, Lexington. In Malden: 1st; Maplewood; Linden. In Medford: Mystic; West; South. In Melrose: 1st; Highlands. North Reading. Reading. Stoneham. Wakefield. Wilmington. Winchester. In Woburn: 1st; North; *Scandinavian;* Montvale. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Isaac Pierson, Medford, *scribe and treasurer.* Meetings on the last Tuesdays of April and October.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL CONFERENCE. — Organized April 28, 1852

CHURCHES. — Auburn. Berlin. Boylston. Clinton: 1st; *German;* Holden. Leicester. Oxford. Paxton. Princeton. Rutland Shrewsbury. Sterling. West Boylston. In Worcester: Old South; Central; Union; Summer st.; Plymouth; Piedmont; *Swedish;* Pilgrim; Park; Covenant; Hope; Lake View; Belmont; Bethany; *Armenian;* Immanuel; *Swedish, 2d,* Adams Square. Total: 31 churches.

Rev. Geo. S. Dodge, Worcester, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Thomas E. Babb, Holden, *statistical secretary.* Conference meets on the Tuesday following the second Monday in May, and on the Tuesday following third Monday in October.

24. WORCESTER NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 24, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Ashburnham: 1st; North. Athol. Baldwinville. Gardner. Hubbardston. New Salem. In Orange: North. Petersham. Phillipston. In Royalton: 1st; South. Templeton. Westminster. In Winchendon: 1st; North. Total: 16 churches.

Rev. Davis Foster, Winchendon, *scribe.* Meetings in October and June.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized June 17, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Blackstone: 1st; Millville. In Douglas: 1st; East. In Grafton: 1st; Saundersville. In Millbury: 1st; 2d. In Northbridge: 1st; Whitinsville; Rockdale. Sutton. Upton. Uxbridge. Webster. Westboro. Total: 17 churches.

Rev. John R. Thurston, Whitinsville, *scribe.* Dea. Amos Armsby, Millbury, *treasurer.* Meetings on fourth Wednesdays of April and October.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES. City or Town.	Org.	CLERKS. Name.	MINISTERS. Name.	Ord.	MEMBERS. C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	ADMITTED. C.	L.	To.	REMOVED. Dl.	L.	De.	To.	BAPT. Ad.	Inf.
Abington,	1712	**F.D. Hunt Whitman,**				51	112	163	30	1	6	7	0	1	0	1	0	1
" **North,**	1839	Dea. Cyrus Orcutt,	George Benedict, *p.*	'86	'97	24	57	81	18	0	2	2	4	3	1	8	0	0
Acton,	1832	Horace F Tuttle,	Bernard Copping, *p. c.*	'78	'94	27	58	85	25	3	2	5	4	0	0	4	1	2
" **South,**	1893	Edgar I. Banks,	Wilson R. Buxton *p. c.*	'94	'94	23	49	72	6	3	4	7	1	0	0	1	3	0
Adams,	1840	Dea. E. W. Streeter,	Alford B Penniman, *p. c.*	'83	'94	139	263	402	25	9	6	15	7	4	0	11	0	0
Agawam, Feeding Hills,	1762	Miss Julia A. Bailey,	Frank L. Garfield, *p. c.*	'93	'92	16	37	53	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
"	1819	Mrs. C. L. Hayward,	Walter Rice, *p. c.*	'65	'92	86	98	184	51	1	2	3	2	2	0	4	1	0
Amesbury, Main st.,	1831	Joseph Batchelder,	George L. Richmond, *p. c.*	'83	'90	142	247	389	47	2	6	8	6	7	0	13	1	2
" Union,	1835	Miss Lois L. Fifield,	George W Christie, *p.*	'73	'91	21	81	102	22	1	1	2	5	0	0	5	0	0
Amherst, 1st,	1739	J. A. Rawson,	Henry R. McCartney, *p. c.*	'87	'98	125	310	435	62	0	11	11	11	8	0	19	0	5
" 2d,	1782	Herbert Sabin,	Chester W Hawley *p.*	'61	'98	46	114	160	36	0	6	6	3	1	0	4	0	0
" College,	1826	William I. Fletcher,	Henry P Smith, *p.*	'75	'98	214	61	275	185	4	8	12	3	15	0	18	3	0
" **North,**	1826	Miss M. E. Harrington,	Eber W Gaylord, *p c.*	'73	'90	71	159	230	23	1	0	1	2	4	9	15	1	2
" **South,**	1858	Miss M. L. Dana,	John F Gleason, *p.*	'73	'95	63	95	158	15	0	2	2	1	6	0	7	0	2
Andover, South,	1711	Myron E. Gutterson,	Frank R Shipman *p. c.*	'93	'93	99	249	348	67	7	16	23	5	13	0	18	2	11
" West,	1826	Arthur T. Boutwell,	George A. Andrews, *p. c.*	'99	'99	85	158	243	44	7	0	7	5	6	0	11	4	0
" Free,	1846	Charles B. Baldwin,	Frederick A. Wilson, *p. c.*	'32	'89	96	265	361	90	8	4	12	8	6	0	14	0	9
" **Ballardvale,**	1854	William Shaw,	Edwin Smith, *p.*	'65	'99	30	74	104	28	2	2	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
" **Seminary,**	1865	Prof Egbert C. Smyth,	The Professors,			87	108	195	40	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	1
Arlington,	1842	Elbert L. Churchill,	Samuel C. Bushnell, *p. c.*	'79	'90	81	190	271	24	1	4	5	3	2	0	5	1	4
" **Heights,**	1899		Alfred E. Stembridge, *p.*	'92	'99	22	32	54		2	52	54	0	0	0	0	1	0
Ashburnham, 1st,	1760	Fred. D. Lane,	Nathan T. Dyer, *p.*	'78	'97	34	76	110	28	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0
" North,	1843																	
Ashby,	1776	Horace S. Brooks,	Herbert W. Boyd, *p.*	'86	'97	65	112	177	38	6	1	7	4	2	4	10	5	3
Ashfield,	1763	John M. Sears,				65	117	182	14	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	3
Ashland,	1835	Dea. Edward Perry,	George W. Lawrence, *p.*	'88	'98	27	59	86	26	0	2	2	0	6	1	7	0	4
Athol,	1839	C. R. Wood,	Rolla S. Bugbee, *p.*	'76	'97	85	230	315	44	27	1	28	11	7	0	18	24	1
Attleboro',	1748	Dea. A. Vinton Cobb,	Wilson S. Fritch, *p.*	'93	'99	128	357	485	30	9	7	16	5	4	0	9	3	0
Auburn,	1776	William F. Stone,	Charles M. Pierce, *p.*	'63	'90	44	79	123	40	9	0	9	2	1	0	3	8	2
Ayer,	1861	Miss Clara E Blood	Horace F. Hallett, *p.*	'91	'94	21	64	85	22	0	1	1	5	3	0	8	0	0
Barnstable, West,	1616	Rev. Edgar B. French,	Edgar B. French, *p.*	'97	'97	18	43	61	17	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	1	2
" **Centreville,**	1840	Miss Nellie B. Kelley,	Bartlett H. Weston, *p.*	'90	'98	10	39	49	12	1	2	3	1	1	0	2	0	2
" **Hyannis,**	1854	Dea. W. A. Perry,	Edgar C. Wheeler,	'96	'99	9	29	38	3	3	7	10	1	2	0	3	2	1
Barre,	1827	C. S. Root, Barre Plains,	Joseph F. Gaylord, *p. c.*	'67	'79	46	112	158	31	1	2	3	3	1	0	4	1	3
Becket, Center,	1758	Mrs. L. O. Ellsworth,	Charles O. Eames, *p.*	'97	'97	7	16	23	3	6	1	7	1	0	0	1	2	0
" North,	1849	Dea. Jarvis Norcutt,	Charles O. Eames, *p*	'97	'97	34	62	96	31	10	2	12	2	2	2	6	9	0
Bedford,	1730		[Frank B. McAllister, *Lic.*]		'99	65	125	190	50	3	3	6	3	1	0	4	2	4
Belchertown,	1737	C. B. Southick,				64	143	207	55	0	4	4	3	0	1	4	0	6

Acushnet, *see* New Bedford. **Assonet,** *see* Freetown. **Atlantic,** *see* Quincy. **Attleboro Falls,** *see* N. Attleboro. **Auburndale,** *see* Newton.
Baldwinville, *see* Templeton. **Ballardvale,** *see* Andover. **Beechwood,** *see* Cohasset.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Abington,	W. S. O'Brien,	255	110	150	35	$141	$6	$5	$70	$20	$20	$5	$35	$302	$ 0	1,927
" North,	Wm. C. Brett,	118	70	100	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,150
Acton,	Horace F. Tuttle,	85	59	100	45	25	3	5	35	10	5	4	30	117	400	5,000
" South,	William F. Hale,	104	65	70	50	41	0	0	7	0	0	0	29	77	0	1,280
Adams,	W B. Plunkett,	600	430	350	0	148	13	0	135	0	0	0	150	446	0	6,500
Agawam,	Rev. F. L. Garfield,	53	34	52	20	52	12	16	13	13	14	0	7	127	0	800
"	W H. Porter,	125	94	98	82	95	30	0	39	14	37	0	35	250	0	1,152
Amesbury,	Thomas Clark,	265	172	300	42	316	6	9	130	75	6	67	104	713	0	3,531
"	Mrs. George Crowther,	138	81	120	60	50	13	4	38	16	15	5	72	213	0	1,423
Amherst, 1st,	J. W. Fairbanks,	216	144	250	107	413	18	37	243	74	15	38	0	838	0	3,807
" 2d,	C. W. Hawley,	154	74	100	74	16	0	0	2	37	0	0	0	55	0	1,000
" College,						766	20	0	247	52	0	0	45	1,130	0	0
" North,	H. A. Parsons,	189	112	120	86	104	20	12	121	67	20	11	21	376	0	1,450
" South,	G. O. Hannum,	160	108	90	69	200	8	7	190	16	52	0	65	538	0	1,230
Andover, South,	Charles H. Gilbert,	m397	247	265	119	792	78	67	703	488	42	0	348	2,518	0	3,785
" West,	Edward F. Abbott,	90	50	90	41	109	0	0	79	74	0	0	0	262	0	1,450
" Free,	J. Newton Cole,	262	180	200	114	100	54	33	186	71	22	0	136	602	0	2,880
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw	130	90	65	100	151	39	68	172	87	40	25	218	800	0	1,100
" Seminary,	Matthew S. McCurdy,	48	30	67	0	766	99	0	621	138	29	27	39	1,719	0	506
Arlington,	R. Walter Hilliard,	310	185	250	90	194	63	60	142	78	60	32	480	1,109	0	4,234
" Heights,		128	90	150	44											
Ashburnh'm, 1st,	Fred D. Lane,	111	66	100	63	18	0	14	0	23	25	0	21	101	0	1,400
" North.																
Ashby,	Walter J. Smith,	155	74	77	74	24	25	15	31	36	16	0	77	224	0	1,202
Ashfield,	Dr. F N Smith, Buckland,	125	75	125	35	89	17	10	83	25	9	10	112	355	100	1,100
Ashland,	Dea. Edward Perry,	100	50	100	40	16	12	0	10	8	11	0	21	78	0	1,070
Athol,	Daniel P. Kimball.	315	176	220	118	167	0	0	160	69	0	0	123	519	0	2,000
Attleboro',	William E. Coles,	478	297	400	93	273	47	65	247	66	57	2	705	1,462	0	3,678
Auburn,	Mrs. Julia F Bancroft,	125	73	86	41	75	0	0	40	52	0	0	43	210	0	1,059
Ayer,	Miss Rosa Smith,	116	53	87	48	23	0	0	59	0	3	0	13	98	0	1,803
Barnstable, W.,	Dea. P.H. Robinson, E. Sandwich,	85	35	80	44	22	0	5	20	5	16	0	51	119	0	700
" Centreville,	Mrs. C. E. Whitford,	88	69	50	23	5	0	0	15	5	12	0	0	37	0	578
" Hyannis,	Mrs. George T. Taylor,	60	40		48	10	2	2	41	2	2	0	10	69	0	1,800
Barre,	Charles G. Allen.	145	60	110	51	389	21	20	174	173	11	0	0	788	0	1,750
Becket, Center,	Francis Alderman,	35	31	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	304
" North,	George L. Johnson,	81	59	40	0	31	6	0	18	12	0	0	15	82	0	1,800
Bedford,	Wallace G. Webber,	193	135	147	64	125	0	0	69	10	5	0	118	327	0	1,800
Belchertown,	F. L. Stebbins,	195	187	140	70	51	0	0	22	22	32	0	3	130	0	1,268

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Belmont, Waverley,	1865	Robert C. Claus,	George P. Gilman, *p.*	'72	'83	27	48	75	16	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	1	0
Berkley,	1737	Dea. Rollin H. Babbitt,	Franklin K. Beem, *p. c.*	'95	'94	26	53	79	14	1	1	2	0	5	0	5	1	0
Berlin,	1779	William S. Eager,	[Arthur P. Pratt, *Lic.*]		'99	25	54	79	23	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0
Bernardston,	1824	Dea. Henry Slate,	David H. Strong, *p.*	'85	'88	25	42	67	10	1	2	3	2	2	0	4	1	0
Beverly, North,	1715	Charles S. Brown,	[Ernest C. Waring, *Meth.*]	'97	'98	19	43	62	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
" Dane st.,	1802	Louis H. Baker,				135	315	450	30	5	7	2	7	1	0	8	4	3
" Washington st.,	1837	William A. Lefavour,	Edward F. Sanderson, *p.c.*	'99	'99	66	168	234	44	0	0	0	5	1	0	6	0	0
Billerica,	1829	Rev. Daniel W. Hardy,	Daniel W. Hardy, *p.*	'74	'93	31	55	86	9	0	2	2		0	0	1	0	0
Blackstone,	1841	Calvin H. Lee,	Walter H. Rollins, *p.*	'98	'98	13	29	42	8	2	4	6	0	2	0	2		3
" Millville.	1891	Arthur Westberg,	[Axel T. Monson, *Lic.*]		'98	9	5	14	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Blandford, 1st,	1735	Charles B. Hayden,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p. c.*	'96	'96	24	62	86	20	0	2	2	4	0	0	4	0	0
" North,	1893	Mrs. Emeline C. Pease,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p.*	'96	'96	8	33	41	3	2	0	2	0	4	0	4	2	0
Boston, Charlestown,	1632	Gardner Bates,	Charles H. Pope, *p.*	'65	'96	36	114	150	87	4	2	6	3	4	24	31		0
" Old South,	1669	J. Converse Gray,	George A. Gordon, *p. c.*	'77	'84	227	462	689	0	3	26	39	17	12	0	29	2	2
" 2d, Dorchester,	1808	William D. Brigham,	Arthur Little, *p. c.*	'63	'89	234	459	693	75	11	17	28	10	8	2	20		12
" Park st.,	1809	William E. Swift,	[John L. Withrow, *Pres.*]		'98	327	524	851	200	0	0	0	13		0	24	0	0
" Union,	1822	Charles W. Jones,	Samuel L. Loomis, *p. c.*	'80	'96	161	360	521	0	9	19	28	9	6	5	20	2	1
" Phillips, South,	1823	Dea. W. B. Bancroft,	Charles A. Dinsmore, *p.c.a*	'85	'96	193	528	721	100	7	7	34	9	17	0	26	2	10
" Berkeley Temple,	1827	Miss I. Burnham,	Charles A. Dickinson, *p.c.b*	'79	'88	425	778	1203	415	27	25	52	3	53	0	56	8	15
" Brighton,	1827	Elbra S. Barker,	Adolph A. Berle, *p. c.*	'87	'91	76	164	240		5	9	14			0	2	0	7
" Village, Dorchester,	'29	Dea. Fred M. Swan,	G. Wolcott Brooks, *p.*	'77	'90	66	147	213	4	5	1	6	2	3	0	5	3	0
" Winth'p, Charlest'n,	'33	Louis E. Sweetland,	William B. Forbush, *p. c.*	'92	'98	85	280	365	0	3	4	7	12	25	9	46	3	9
" Eliot, Roxbury,	1834	James S. Barrows,	August'sC.Thompson *p.c.*	'42	'42	119	249	368	36	2	4	6	9	7	0	16	0	7
" Central,	1835	Thos. H. Russell, 2d,	Edward L. Clark, *p. c.*	'61	'93	70	75	245	0	0	13	13	2	7	0	9	0	2
" W. Roxbury,	1835	Edward W. Schuerch,	Frank W. Merrick, *p. c.*	'91	'93	55	131	186	26	4	9	13	2	3		6		3
" Maverick, East,	1836	J. Willard Brown,	Oren D. Fisher.	'75	'99	113	297	410	181	37	8	45	7	6	0	13	15	36
" Mt. Vernon,	1842	Sanford Keith,	Samuel E. Herrick, *p. c.*	'63	'71	129	225	354	0	7	8	15	11	8	7	26	7	2
" Shawmut,	1845	Charles P. Loring,	{ Edwin B. Webb, *p.c., em.* { William T. McElveen *p.c.*	'50 '80	'60 '99	142	296	438		13	17	30	5	10	0	15	0	0
" Jamaica Plain,	1853	James H. Dodge,	Charles L. Morgan, *p. c.*	'76	'94	194	424	618	15	27	19	46	8	26	2	36	3	20
" Immanuel, Roxb'y,	1857	T. Franklin Currier,	Charles H. Beale, *p. c.*	'80	'94	10	288	398	86	18	14	32	2	2	2	6	2	6
" Neponset,	1859	Dea. Herbert Tucker,	Edwin L. Noble, *p. c.*	'96	'99	34	75	109	23	3	0	3	4	6	0	10		1
" Pilgrim, Dorche'r,	1867	Charles H. Crockett,	William H. Allbright, *p.c.*	'79	'90	131	325	456	17	12	33	45	1	16	15	32	3	13
" Highland, Roxb'y,	1869	George W. Basford,	William R. Campbell, *p.c.*	'81	'81	144	322	466	130	20	4	24	2	18	2	22	4	13
" Walnut av., Roxb'y,	'70	Chas. H. W. Wood,	Albert H. Plumb, *p. c.*	'58	'72	135	280	415	35	3	7	0	3	10	0	13	2	9
" Olivet,	1876	Miss Susan Smith,	Robert F. Gordon,		'75	'99	21	47	68		0		1	7	0	8		0
" Boylston, Ja. Plain,	1879	Sylvester R. Crocker,	Ellis Mendell, *p. c.*		'79	'88	82	186	268	78	16	3	19	2	8	0	10	2	3
" *Swed.*,	1881	John A. Gustafson,	Augustus Lilienberg, *p.*		'98	'98	62	153	215	15	21	3	24	0	5	2	7	0	2
" *Norwegian*,	1885	Julius Rude,	Morten Olsen, *p.*		'95	'94	22	35	57	7	9	0	9	1	1	5	7	0	21
" Allston,	1886	James L. Ball,	John O. Haarvig, *p. c.*		'83	'95	122	240	362	40	14	12	26	3	9	0	12	8	9
" Harvard, Dorch'r,	1888	Henry N. Marr,	William T. Beale, *p.*		'82	'99	35	93	128	20	2	3	5	0	6	0	6	1	0

a Percy H. Epler, assistant p., '98, '96.

b William S. Kelsey, '85, '91, and Charles H. Washburn, '85, '98, assoc. pastors.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Belmont,	Harrie E. Carpenter,	115	70	70	59	14	0	0	30	0	0	0	44	0	1 550	
Berkley,	Miss Eudora M. Allen,	65	35	60	16	21	8	0	5	26	6	0	13	79	0	1,025
Berlin,	Charles M. Sawyer,	104	61	45	38	0	0	0	8	0	5	0	0	13	0	900
Bernardston,	Alonzo Alford,	85	35	51	18	43	10	7	28	8	6	14	25	141	0	800
Beverly, North,	Charles S. Brown,	193	113		83											
" Dane st.,	James H. Moulton,	619	408	400	238	645	78	48	432	217	85	30	505	2,040	0	5,200
" Wash'ton st.,	Samuel Cole,	298	135	260	72	37	10	10	50	23	10	0	300	440	67	2,600
Billerica,	John E. Bull,	125	77	54	40	69	4	0	28	47	11	4	20	183	0	1,229
Blackstone,	Calvin H. Lee,	85	50	75	77	27	5	0	32	9	13	0	20	106	0	725
" Millville,	Frank L. Carlson,	15	12	40		0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	5	0	105
Blandford, 1st,	Miss L. Belle Tiffany,	96	36	40	29	88	5	6	34	20	3	4	13	173	0	4,600
" North,	H. L. Pease,	73	50	50	31	5	0	2	9	0	0	0	3	19	0	383
Boston, Ch'st'n,	Henry Brower,	90	67	70	25	105	0	0	61	24	0	0	0	190	0	2,000
" Old South,	Nathan B. Day,	407	173			8,872	675	229	8,993	798	381	0	10,719	30,667	0	
" 2d, Dorch'r,	William Q. Wales,	970	424	575	185	3,016	1,087	311	3,597	890	173	35	420	9,529	0	8,983
" Park st.,	Frank W. Wyman,	276	179			2,378	0	0	1,400	0	0	0	1,238	5,016	0	11,723
" Union,	Albert S. Baker,	340	192	400	131	1,222	82	85	849	390	142	0	541	3,311	9,400	8,750
" Phillips, South	Rev. Percy H. Epler,	1,004	515	600	485	411	13	111	320	57	27	0	798	1,737	0	8,490
" Berkeley Tem.	Hamilton S. Conant,	498	273	600	193	28	0	0	352	30	15	0	1,048	1,473	0	6,336
" Brighton,	William F. Murphy,	374	222	300	147	445	86	89	1,307	5	16	0	285	2,333	0	6,461
" Village, Dorc.	William G. Swan,	262	209	139	147	290	0	0	307	78	44	0	86	805	3,000	4,423
" Winth'p, C'n,	C. H. Hunter,	372	262	400	75	218	33	33	419	67	15	0	45	830	200	7,753
" Eliot, Roxb.,	Clarence T. Mooar,	329	238	210	130	906	20	0	1,234	7	18	0	104	2,289	0	3,595
" Central,	Alexander C. Proudfit,	75	45			2,500	0	270	3,726	454	640	0	1,057	8,647	0	
" W. Roxbury,	George B. Graff,	233	148	238	60	305	13	8	385	170	5	8	77	971	0	5,890
" Mave'k, East,	Dea. Elmer H. Allen,	441	250	350	107	6	2	2	106	3	4	0	56	179	0	4,484
" Mt. Vernon,	David R. Craig,	210	125	270	100	2,392	0	31	1,484	140	0	15	254	4,316	0	10,000
" Shawmut,	H. E. Warren,	685	515		139	1,220	74	47	469	90	13	0	0	1,913	0	9,024
" Jamaica Pl.,	J. Wesley Farmer,	460	333	450	200	805	160	197	685	312	174	0	150	2,483	0	6,413
" Imman'l, Rox.	Asa H. Porter,	521	337	250	116	795	117	152	1,623	215	0	0	455	3,357	0	7,912
" Neponset,	Harry G. Dixon,	195	111	125	58	27	25	22	96	15	18	0	39	242	0	1,281
" Pilg'm, Dorch.	Ernest L. Miller,	543	382	442	224	452	21	15	766	26	16	92	219	1,607	0	10,136
" Highl'd, Rox.,	Charles L. Ziegler,	583	323	300	120	447	20	10	452	33	45	5	65	1,077	0	5,002
" Walnut av., R.	Frank O. Whitney,	411	288	200	108	535	117	79	2,713	145	28	0	0	3,617	0	9,058
" Olivet,	A. M. Clement,	140	64	75	20	0	0	0	10	0	3	0	10	23	0	1,039
" Boylston, J. P.	Sylvester R. Crocker,	419	183	300	75	198	28	19	115	48	18	0	336	762	0	3,481
" *Swed.*,	J. E. Friberg,					260	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	260	0	2,858
" *Norw.*,	Rev. Morten Olsen,	25	12	45		0	0	0	3	0	0	0	59	62	0	997
" Allston,	Harvey W. Walker,	390	180	300	130	813	99	29	1,114	117	12	36	250	2,470	0	7,400
" Harvard,	Frank B. Sherman,	196	147		66	0	13	0	29	12	0	38	0	92	0	

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Boston, Central, Dorch'r,	1888	John W. Duthie,				43	83	126	15	4	7	11	4	4	4	12	0	6
" Seamen's,	1888	Mrs. M. J. Derby,	Sylvester S. Nickerson, *p. c.*	'76	'88	50	16	66	0	0	0	0	2	2	18	22	0	0
" Roslindale,	1890	Dea. Henry H. Cole,				60	140	200	30	7	7	14	2	6	2	10	3	9
" St. Mark's,	1895	Mrs. L. Foy,				5	12	17	0	4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	1
" Baker. E. Boston,	1897	A. J Page,	James C. Young, *p. c.*	'91	'97	16	53	69	1	15	3	18	1	2	0	3	3	17
Boxboro, West Acton,	1784	A. W. Wetherbee,	Wi liam C. Martyn, *p. c.*	'98	'98	18	28	46	13	0	0	0	1	7	0	8	0	0
Boxford,	1702	John W. Parkhurst,	Emery L. Bradford, *p. c.*	'92	'92	32	91	123	31	0	5	5	5	1	0	6	0	0
" West,	1736	W. H. Anderson,	Charles L. Hubbard, *p. c.*	'68	'78	25	46	71	8	4	0	4	2	0	0	2	1	0
Boylston, Center	1743	Mrs. Charles Bray,	Samuel B. Cooper, *p.*	'87	'98	49	85	134	50	1	3	4	3	4	0	7	1	1
Braintree, 1st,	1707	Dea. Arza B. Keith,	A fred A. Ellsworth, *p. c.*	'62	'85	41	130	171	30	1	3	4	6	1	0	7	0	5
South,	1829	Frank A. Reed,	Chas. F H Crathern, *p.*	'86	'96	24	63	87	12	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
Bridgewater,	1821	Charles P. Sinnott,	Elbert S. Porter, *p. c.*	'83	'89	91	172	263	66	7	18	25	5	8	0	13	1	2
" Scotland,	1836	Mrs. T. C. Wilbur, B.,	Ira A. Smith, *p.*	'82	'96	12	25	37	13	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brimfield,	1724	Dea. Edward B. Brown,	Robert J. Kyle, *p. c.*	'85	'93	31	51	82	24	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Brockton, 1st,	1740	Warren Tirrell,	Alan Hudson *p. c.*	'92	'96	102	266	368	21	11	12	23	3	4	0	7	6	7
" South, Campello,	1837	Rufus P. Keith,	Albert F Pierce *p. c.*	'77	'99	141	282	423		6	10	16	3	6	0	9	6	0
" Porter,	1850	Minot W. Niles,	Andrew W Archibald, *p.c.*	'76	'97	191	408	599	76	18	18	36	7	18	6	31	14	7
" *Swed.*, Campello,	1879	Dea. William Allen,	August Pohl	'87	'99	126	170	296	0	15	0	15	2	9	3	14	0	12
" Waldo,	1896	James T McCaughey,	Robert L. Rae, *p. c.*	'89	'96	25	45	70	0	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	3	3
" Wendell av.,	1897	L. Sandford Tribou,				25	57	82	2	7	4	11	1	0	0	1	3	3
" Lincoln,	1897	Thomas Torous,	[Sebastian D. Turner, *Meth.*]	'93	'97	17	15	32	1	5	0	5	0	1	1	2	3	1
Brookfield,	1756	Miss M. Ella Gibson,	Edward B. Blanchard, *p. c.*	'92	'95	34	97	131	39	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
Brookline, Harvard,	1844	Edward Sharp,	Renen Thomas, *p. c.a*	'60	'75	214	468	682	75	12	21	33	10	2	0	12	0	0
" Leyden,	1896	R. W. W. Hastings,	Harri G. ale, *p. c.*	'91	'96	30	64	94	1	0	28	28	1	0	0	1	0	3
Buckland,	1785	Dea. H. L Warfield,	E ward A Robinson, *p.*	'83	'98	50	103	153	33	0	2	2	4	3	0	7	0	0
Burlington,	1735	Dea. Samuel Sewall,	Austin Dodge, *p.*	'66	'95	19	35	54	19	1	2	3	2	1	0	3	0	1
Cambridge, 1st,	1636	Charles F Stratton,	Alex'r McKenzie, *p. c. b*	'61	'67	255	592	847		12	19	31	10	13	0	23	4	8
" Prospect st.,	1827	E Sid ey Berry	Reuben A Beard, *p. c.*	'79	'97	109	291	400	138	17	13	30	8	11	0	19	7	9
" North av.,	1857	John F. Eaton,	Daniel Evans, *p. c.*	'91	'99	155	294	449		10	6	16	5	7	0	12	7	7
" Pilgrim.	1865	Daniel I Coolidge,	Frank E. Ramsdell, *p. c.*	'91	'96	226	402	628	101	11	22	33	10	12	14	36	8	3
" Wood Memorial,	1872	Dea. Abijah R. Buck,				88	200	288	45	20	9	29	4	14	17	35	7	30
" Hope,	1890	Harry Abbott,	Charles M. Carpenter, *p.*	'90	'93	34	58	92	0	0	0	0	2	4	7	13	0	13
Canton,	1828	Abner Morse,				25	78	103	35	6	1	7	2	5	1	8	2	0
Carlisle,	1781	Herbert P. Dutton,	A. Herbert Armes, *p.*	'89	'98	19	34	53	13	0	0	0	2	6	0	2	0	1
Carver, North,	1733	Theron M. Cole,	Washington H. Forbes, *p.*	'81	'97	15	32	47	10	5	0	5	3	0	0	3	5	0
Charlemont, 1st,	1788	Dea. John. N. Smead,				28	54	82	12	3	0	3	0	5	0	5	3	0
" East,	1845	Mrs. Lyman Whiting,	Lyman Whiting, *p.*	'43	'89	20	39	59	13	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	5	0
Charlton,	1761	Mrs. E. J. W. Spencer,	George O. Jenness, *p.*	'61	'96	16	48	64	23	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	3	0
Chatham,	1720	L. S. Atwood.	Daniel W. Richardson, *p.*	'62	'96	23	56	79	19	3	0	3	4	1	0	5	2	3
Chelmsford, North,	1824	Dea. Charles H. Holt,	Robert W. Dunbar, *p. c.*	'99	'98	20	48	68	14	4	1	5	2	3	0	5	3	0

a Oliver D. Sewall, asst. p., '92, '97. *b* Leonard S. Parker, asst. p., '38, '86.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Boston, Central,	John T. Maclean,	230	151	125	30	34	9	10	94	74	25	17	205	468	0	2,200
" Seamen's,	George Marsters,					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Roslindale,	William J. Wilson,	300	206	235	125	106	0	0	73	0	0	8	69	256	0	
" St. Mark's,		60	20	10	8										0	285
" Baker,	George Taylor,	325	180	300	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,800
Boxboro,	Martin E. Wood,	68	41	26	20	34	0	4	28	5	5	0	32	108	0	568
Boxford,	Hiram N. Towne,	82	51	104	40	92	34	0	87	63	0	2	19	297	0	1,130
" West,	Prof. N. B. Sargent,	70	35	75	25	45	6	0	20	48	2	0	55	176	0	
Boylston, Cen.,	Calvin H. Andrews,	70	40	110	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	92	92	0	1,300
Braintree, 1st,	Charles S. Bates,	271	165	150	45	169	19	14	442	16	50	0	15	725	0	3,310
" South,		270	160	235	40	37	5	5	70	40	5	6	30	198	0	2,400
Bridgewater,	W. D. Jackson,	231		150	103	100	17	13	145	73	25	0	76	449	0	2,375
" Scotland,	W. H. H. Andrews,	57	37	40	30	4	0	3	2	4	7	0	4	24	0	465
Brimfield,	George H. Streeter,	105	60	51	37	19	12	13	24	20	11	0	93	192	0	1,200
Brockton, 1st,	T. T. Wilson,	428	228	600	214	104	10	10	122	4	0	10	293	553	0	8,000
" So. Campello,		m700	380	375	200	225	35	54	200	58	37	51	315	975	0	5,500
" Porter,	Charles A. Jenney,	855	534	600	194	389	73	70	443	86	75	0	2,287	3,423	900	7,507
" *Swed.*, Camp.	Charles O. Peterson,	248			76	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	6	0	3,677
" Waldo,	Charles E. Johnson,	220	145			114	17	0	23	0	6	0	111	271	0	1,593
" Wendell av.,	Charles Williamson,	195	111	150	107	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,411
" Lincoln,	Cornelius Harris,	23	15		30	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	32	34	0	540
Brookfield,	Edward B. Hale,	130	81	95	87	38	200	13	78	50	15	0	40	434	0	1,500
Brookline, Har'd,	Rev Oliver D. Sewall,	796				4,273	121	153	3,006	428	544	0	7,970	16,495	0	16,000
" Leyden,	Morris A. Hall,	80	40	80	26	262	0	0	751	125	2	0	125	1,265	0	15,052
Buckland,	Dea Edmund E. Smith,	115	71	124	23	92	18	14	60	12	0	0	70	266	0	1,380
Burlington,	Thomas I. Reed,	85	50	76	40	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	47	0	1,450
Cambridge, 1st,	Charles W. Spencer,	m375	250		150	1,893	0	0	3,571	1,514	721	0	829	8,528	0	9,800
" Prospect st.,	Allyne L. Merrill,	285	191	312	106	497	25	11	1,087	37	88	0	467	2,212	0	6,623
" North av.,	James Morrison,	476	309	305	103	448	25	87	772	78	12	0	184	1,606	0	7,472
" Pilgrim,	Hamilton H. Perkins,	531	327	450	201	152	45	43	141	158	92	0	419	1,050	0	5,500
" Wood Mem.	A. Lawrence Ball,	508	314	450	133	72	38	3	40	7	3	5	192	360	0	3,645
" Hope,	William White,	160			30	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	2	9	0	0
Canton,	Albert F. Morse, 2d,	105	60	100	65	306	0	0	0	0	5	0	38	349	5,000	2,340
Carlisle,	Daniel L. Chamberlin,	83	45	45	27	10	5	0	10	0	0	0	13	38	100	992
Carver, North,	Edgar E. Gardner,	60	38	56	14	25	0	0	26	0	6	2	27	86	0	709
Charlemont, 1st,	Edward N. Hawks,	98	54	60	27	18	0	0	23	8	5	0	15	69	0	600
" East,	Lorenzo Richmond,	65	42	45	50	36	41	14	33	24	16	4	98	266	0	400
Charlton,	Mrs. Emily J. W. Spencer,	60	35	40	69	33	0	0	19	11	9	0	2	74	0	769
Chatham,	C. C. Richardson,	100	43	60	60	14	0	0	17	0	0	0	10	41	0	589
Chelmsford, N,	Dea. Arthur H. Sheldon,	97	64	124	93	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,116

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Chelmsford, Central,	1876	A. B. Woodworth,	Ernest C. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'96	'94	31	75	106	13	3	5	8	0	1	0	1	2	3
Chelsea, 1st,	1841	Waldo E. Pratt,	Ross C. Houghton, *p. c.*	'69	'95	100	296	396	78	20	5	25	6	5	3	13	11	5
" Central,	1851	George A. Paine,	Rob't A. MacFadden, *p. c.*	'96	'98	175	549	724	94	19	11	30	12	15	8	35	9	17
" 3d,	1877	Jacob Pratt, jr.,	Samuel M. Cathcart, *p. c.*	'96	'96	48	122	170	54	12	5	17	0	4	0	4	6	6
Chester, 1st,	1769	Dea. Alfred S. Foote,				12	15	27	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" 2d,	1844	Edward O. Redfield,	Thomas D. Murphy, *p.*	'68	'93	31	73	104	25	0	3	3	5	2	0	7	0	4
Chesterfield,	1764	Mrs. Ellen A. Baker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, *p.*	'87	'95	29	58	87	13	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	1
Chicopee, 1st,	1752	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	Collins G. Burnham, *p. c.*	'79	'88	23	53	76	20	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	0
" 2d, Falls,	1830	Arthur B. West,	Harvey G. Pillsbury, *p.c.*	'82	'95	118	65	183	30	2	6	8	5	1	0	6	1	4
" 3d,	1834	James L. Pease,	Herbert P. Woodin, *p.*	'92	'98	52	146	198	89	0	5	5	1	5	3	9	0	1
Clinton,	1844	Edward L. Greene,	William W. Jordan, *p. c.*	'84	'93	155	311	466	88	1	0	1	9	7	0	16	0	4
" *German*,	1897	Dea. Henry Wessels,	Frank C. F. Scherff, *p.*	'76	'87	24	35	59	5	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	12
Cohasset,	1824	Warren L. Tower,	E. Victor Bigelow, *p. c.*	'91	'91	30	104	134	18	5	2	7	6	1	0	7	2	1
" Beechwood,	1863	Mrs. Clara Hyland, *a*	Frank Park, *p.*	'95	'98	6	34	40	14	7	1	8	0	3	0	3	4	3
Coleraine,	1750	Dea. A. H. Temple, *b*	Charles M. Crooks, *p.*	'97	'96	13	35	48	11	3	2	5	0	1	0	1	5	1
Concord,	1826	Rev. Ole O. Thorpe,	George A. Tewksbury, *p.*	'63	'91	63	133	196	30	2	2	4	5	1	1	7	1	5
Conway,	1768	Henry W. Billings,	Eugene F. Hunt, *p.*	'84	'95	73	122	195	27	0	3	3	1	2	2	5	0	0
Cummington,	1839	Mrs. Julia L. Porter,	[Lewis T. Reed, *Lic.*]		'99	36	70	106	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" West,	1840	Mrs. S. D. Benjamin,					23	30	8	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Dalton,	1785	Dea. Henry A. Barton,	George W. Andrews, *p.*	'82	'83	8	224	342	42	12	5	17	4	2	0	6	8	6
Dana,	1852	N. L. Johnson,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'93	5	14	19	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Danvers Center,	1689	Edward A. H. Grover,	Harry C. Adams, *p. c.*	'89	'97	51	138	189	45	3	4	7	4	4	0	8	3	0
" Maple st.,	1844	John S. Learoyd,	Edward C. Ewing, *p. c.*	'63	'83	11	271	382	42	0	3	3	3	2	1	6	0	1
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wauton H. Gray,	Simeon B. Dunn, *p.*	'75	'97	15	35	50	12	1	0	1	1	4	0	5	0	0
Dedham,	1638	Miss Sarah B. Baker,				98	228	326	51	0	2	2	6	2	0	8	0	2
Deerfield, South,	1818	Henry A. Field,	Edward O. Grisbrook, *p.*	'93	'98	56	100	156	25	4	4	8	6	5	0	11	0	1
"	1835	B. Z. Stebbins, jr.,				21	44	65	8	1	4	5	2	0	7	9	1	0
Dennis, South,	1817	Miss E. H. Underwood,				4	34	38	4	0	3	3	2	2	0	4	0	0
" Union,	1866	Nathan A. Howes,				7	35	42	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Dighton, North,	1710	Dea. Geo. E. Gooding,	Dorrall Lee, *p.*	'74	'99	16	37	53	8	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0
Douglas,	1747	Mrs. Laura E. Balcome,	[George O. Crosby, *Meth.*]		'97	9	28	37	9	6	3	9	3	1	0	4	5	0
" East,	1834	Dea. Edwin Moore,	Charles P. Pierce, *p.*	'98	'97	30	73	103	23	0	1	1	7	0	0	7	0	0
Dover,	1839	George L. Howe,	Franklin C. Jones, *p.*	'63	'98	21	22	43	3	0	3	3	2	4	0	6	0	0
Dracut, 1st,	1721	Dea. Silas R. Coburn,	John P. Richardson, *p.*	'80	'98	13	44	57	3	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	22
" Central,	1847	William H. Stickney,	Frederick I. Kelley, *p. c.*	'89	'97	46	93	139	24	21	14	35	3		0	4	14	10
Dudley,	1732	Dea. Wm. H. Upham,	Newton I. Jones, *p.*	'75	'98	18	53	71	19	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	0
Dunstable,	1757	Lyman V. Parkhurst,	Harry L. Hartwell,	'95	'99	24	50	74	8	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Duxbury,	1843	John H. Haverstock,	Solomon G. Merrick, *p.*	'86	'95	13	58	71	14	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0
East Bridgewater,	1826	James S. Allen,	Granville Yager, *p.*	'76	'98	43	61	104	26	0	4	4	2	3	0	5	0	0
Easthampton, 1st,	1785	Henry L. Lyman,	Sumner G. Wood, *p. c.*	'80	88	93	217	310	51	0	2	2	10	5	4	19	0	3

a N. Scituate. *b* Griswoldville. Chiltonville, *see* Plymouth. Clarendon Hills, *see* Hyde Park. Cliftondale, *see* Saugus. Curtisville, *see* Stockbridge. Dorchester, *see* Boston.

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Chelmsford, Cen'l	Samuel Hagerman,	167	70	78	82	87	0	18	20	40	0	0	0	165	0	1,561
Chelsea, 1st,	Arthur C. Stone,	m608	378	406	114	670	10	0	29	28	55	75	756	1,623	0	6,281
" Central,	George H. Dunham,	1,032	511		253	302	18	15	914	62	3	13	0	1,327	0	10,055
" 3d,	Richard Burns,	328	192		45	24	0	3	12	12	8	0	152	211	0	2,260
Chester, 1st,	Rev. E. C. Haynes,	30	18	22	0	3	0	0	5	2	3	0	1	14	0	310
" 2d,	B. C. Bliss,	180	80	91	57	10	0	0	67	0	2	0	55	134	0	1,024
Chesterfield,	William H. Baker,	90	42	125	35	41	0	5	9	3	0	4	25	87	0	900
Chicopee, 1st,	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	65	44	42	0	48	14	12	31	14	2	4	23	148	0	1,320
" 2d, Falls,	Clinton A. Wood,	186	121	140	30	195	40	26	277	62	29	0	69	698	0	2,850
" 3d,	M. H. Mosman,	135	77	100	45	100	0	17	80	5	18	589	474	1,283	0	3,000
Clinton,	Charles D. Copp,	540	318	325	104	298	150	16	245	93	17	10	873	1,702	0	26,729
" *German*,	Rev. Frank C. F. Scherff,	115	80	70	10	0	0	0	12	9	8	0	5	34	0	450
Cohasset,	Philander Bates,	140	80	125	73	164	15	6	121	13	19	0	29	367	0	2,260
" Beechwood,	Rev. Frank Park,	110	45	90	40	0	0	5	10	0	0	0	2	17	0	400
Coleraine,	L. Griswold, Griswoldville,	64	22	84	25	25	1	4	13	7	6	1	7	64	0	925
Concord,	Charles H. Towle,	210	123	200	66	450	23	12	382	95	26	10	189	1,187	0	17,538
Conway,	Dea. Edward W. Hamilton,	160	93	90	55	81	22	26	42	53	17	6	152	399	0	1,668
Cummington,	Mrs. Sarah Streeter,	179	79	65	25	8	4	3	14	7	5	0	32	73	0	1,000
" West,	A. N Hubbard,	30	20	36	20	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	40	50	0	396
Dalton,	Payson E. Little,	401	232	275	189	2,170	1,309	149	2,039	512	146	174	756	7,255	0	3,500
Dana,	Forrest A. Hicks, Nichewaug,	27	20	35	22	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	0	255
Danvers Center,	Edward A. H. Grover,	280	120	180	46	116	17	12	54	230	39	0	25	493	0	1,875
" Maple st.,	John S. Learoyd,	483	342	300	206	605	201	85	384	225	106	16	594	2,216	0	3,737
Dartmouth, So.,	E. B. Sturtevant,	75	35	100	70	5	4	3	5	4	2	0	20	43	0	1,325
Dedham,	James Y. Noyes,	205	142	185	83	748	139	68	809	158	98	61	236	2,317	0	3,969
Deerfield, South,	Rev. Edw. O. Grisbrook,	139	81	125	48	66	14	29	50	85	9	28	0	281	0	1,393
"	John T. Greenough,	52	30	50	18	28	3	0	16	44	3	0	6	100	0	850
Dennis, South,	Andrew J. Hersey,	70	34	76		18	0	0	0	3	8	0	2	31	0	740
" Union,	Nathan A. Howes,	95	58	50	60	5	0	0	0	8	0	0	10	23	0	750
Dighton, North,	George A. Clark,	71	38	44	23	88	0	0	10	0	4	0	141	243	0	900
Douglas,	Mrs. Laura E. Balcome,	50	40	35	36	36	0	0	20	0	0	0	2	58	600	350
" East,	Walter E. Harris,	100	60	125	58	89	6	8	43	27	12	2	29	216	0	2,525
Dover,	George L. Howe,	60	35	49	34	7	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	28	0	419
Dracut, 1st,	Dea. Charles L. Hodge,	162	80	150	28	6	2	1	2	2	4	1	0	18	0	828
" Central,	Calvin Richardson,	213	127	70	42	15	0	0	0	6	7	0	13	41	500	1,615
Dudley,	Miss Sarah J. Baker,	166	59	70	82	13	2	0	4	2	12	0	24	57	0	1,325
Dunstable,	George A. Glover,	110	50	30	46	89	10	20	71	33	3	0	82	308	0	1,196
Duxbury,	Miss Sarah B. Higgins,	92	50	105	45	54	6	0	24	0	0	0	75	159	0	1,117
E. Bridgewater,	Chas. W. Leach, Matfield,	87		75	54	4	7	4	4	7	3	3	37	69	0	1,300
Easthampton, 1st,	L. E. Parsons,	314	149	200	71	151	62	57	155	97	65	0	125	712	900	2,857

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Easthampton, Payson,	1852	Charles H. Johnson,	Charles H. Hamlin, *p. c.*	'76	'85	125	345	470	75	24	4	28	12	5	0	17	6	6
East Longmeadow,	1829	Arthur G. Crane,	Harry C. McKnight, *p.*	'85	'98	34	57	91	20	1	3	4	3	4	0	7	1	4
Easton, Center,	1725	Dea. E. B. Hayward,*a*	Augustus H. Fuller, *p.*	'78	'92	52	109	161	24	0	6	6	3	1	0	4	0	2
" *Swedish,* **North,**	1883	William Borg,	Lambert T. Lindholm, *p.*	'98	'98	16	14	30	1	3	0	3	1	2	3	6	0	7
Edgartown,	1642	Theo. Wimpenney,	James Lade, *p.*	'85	'98	20	50	70	11	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Egremont, South,	1816	Roscoe C. Taft,*b*	[Bruce W. Cronmiller, *Pres.*]	'93	'96	28	63	91	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Enfield,	1789	H. H. Barbour,	George H. Hubbard, *p.*	'84	'96	72	143	215	40	3	2	5	7	2	3	12	0	2
Erving,	1832	Rev. J. W. Brownville,	John W. Brownville, *p.*	'73	'92	20	42	62	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Essex,	1683	Rufus Choate,	Lyman H. Blake,	'76	'99	36	99	135	12	11	3	14	5	1	0	6	9	1
Everett, 1st,	1848	Franklin Pierce,	William I. Sweet, *p.*	'87	'97	148	262	410	65	19	30	49	6	7	0	13	10	15
" Courtland st.,	1891	Dea. Geo. R. F. Nichols,	Richard H. McGown, *p.*	'82	'95	20	26	46	11	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	1	0
" Mystic Side,	1893	George H. Wood,	Aquila Webb, *p.*	'99	'99	45	89	134	22	8	2	10	3	8		12	2	0
Fairhaven,	1794	Tucker Damon, jr.,	William H. Brodhead, *p.*	'79	'97	27	88	115	14	3	3	6	4	2	0	6	2	4
Fall River, 1st,	1816		William W. Adams, *p. c.*	'60	'63	59	184	243	29	2	0	2	7	0	5	12	2	3
" Central,	1842	James W. Brigham,	William Knight, *p. c.c*	'86	'97	97	399	596	75	50	6	56	7	5	0	12	6	35
" Fowler,	1874	Walter E. Tripp,	Payson W. Lyman, *p. c.*	'71	'88	18	74	92	25	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	3	1
" *French,*	1886	Joseph M. Adam,	Samuel P. Rondeau, *p.*	'92	'96	25	34	59	9	3	0	3	1	2	0	3	2	6
" Broadway,	1894	Dea. Joseph Lewin,				17	48	65	14	7	1	8	0	0	25	25	3	4
Falmouth, 1st,	1708	Dea. Seba A. Holton,	Eddy T. Pitts, *p.*	'82	'98	38	104	142	35	0	0	0	6	5	0	11	0	0
" East,	1821	Dea. W. W. Eldridge,				9	21	30	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" North,	1833	Dea. Jas. M. Witherell,	Ezra N. Smith, *p.*	'72	'90	15	33	48	7	0	0	0	5	2	0	7	0	0
" Waquoit,	1849	John B. Fisher,				17	36	53	16	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
" Woods Holl,	1880	Mrs. John W. Bowles,	Eddy T. Pitts,	'82	'98	14	17	31	11	0	1	1	0	5	0	5	0	0
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	1768	George A. Hitchcock,	A. Frederick Dunnels,	'84	'99	159	277	436	126	12	5	17	5	7	22	34	0	6
" Rollstone,	1868	Frank C. Hoyt,	William O. Conrad, *p. c.*	'90	'96	195	389	584	90	17	21	38	8	8	0	16	9	4
" *German,*	1889	Paul A. Gast,	S. Hermann Schwab, *p.*	'89	'88	20	57	77	10	5	1	6	1	0	0	1	1	17
" *Swedish,*	1892	Evald Remgren,	John Axelson, *p.*	'91	'97	43	71	114	9	10	14	24	1	14	5	20	0	7
Foxboro',	1779	Horace Carpenter,	James W. Flagg, *p.*	'82	'93	67	197	264	56	4	5	9	6	4	3	13	4	0
Framingham,	1701	Rev. L. R. Eastman,	Lucius R. Eastman, *p. c.*	'62	'71	78	201	279	25	10	2	12	1	6	1	8	4	2
" Saxonville,	1833	Dea. J. B. Johnson,				38	123	161	37	7	2	9	2	4	0	6	3	0
" South,	1873	Fred L. Oakes,	Frederick E. Emrich, *p. c.*	'75	'89	138	257	395	60	1	13	14	8	5	1	14	1	4
Franklin, 1st,	1738	Dea. J. H. Baker,	Isaiah W. Sneath, *p. c.*	'84	'99	86	242	328	78	11	2	13	9	8	0	17	6	11
Freetown,	1807	Gilbert M. Nichols,	William F. Warren, *p.*	'78	'98	8	15	23	4	0	4	4	0		0	1	0	0
Gardner,	1786	H. H. Smith, W. G.,	Burton S. Gilman, *p. c.*	'97	'97	135	278	413	42	20	14	34	3	9	0	12	16	0
Georgetown, 1st,	1732	Mrs. H. H. Noyes,	Frank P. Estabrook, *p. c.*	'93	'98	30	100	130	30	3	0	3		6	0	7	3	2
" Memorial,	1864	Dea. Henry Hilliard,	C. Julian Tuthill, *p.*	'94	'95	32	78	110	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	1
Gill,	1796	Mrs. L. E. S. Moore,	William H. Dowden, *p.*	'63	'98	12	20	32	5	3	2	5	0	2	0	2	2	1
Gloucester, West,	1716	Arthur M. Wilkins,	Temple Cutler, *p.*	'61	'95	23	35	58	10	11	1	12		0	0	1	8	2
" Trinity,	1829	John J. Pew,	Rufus P. Hibbard, *p. c.*	'68	'88	82	248	330	32	4	1	5	4	2	0	6	4	3
" Lanesville,	1830	Francis Reid,	Frank H. Reed, *p. c.*	'86	'85	40	81	121	32	2	2	4	0	2	0	2	2	2

a **Eastondale.** *b* **Bancroft.** *c* Edwin A. Buck, asst. pastor, '54, '67. **Feeding Hills,** *see* **Agawam. Florence,** *see* **Northampton. Gilbertville,** *see* **Hardwick.**

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Easthamp'n, P'n,	**Samuel Brown,**	290	199	200	97	369	24	40	327	135	11	18	192	1,116	903	3,520
E. Longmeadow,	**Edward M. Burt,**	122	82	65	60	34	4	3	29	6	9	2	17	104	0	1,126
Easton,	**Charles M. Ripley, So. E.**	280	173	225	96	150	10	17	77	40	23	7	11	335	0	1,460
S. North,	William Borg,	110	90	40	20	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	452
Edgartown,	Mrs. H. R. F. Shepard,	60	38	52	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	775
Egremont, South,	Chester G. Dalzell,	95	46	60	46	18	6	9	8	11	6	0	10	68	0	
Enfield,	R. L. Thayer,	238	151	150	135	155	142	28	171	166	10	13	92	777	0	1,689
Erving,	William W. Brown,	128	76	120	30	2	0	0	10	5	0	0	8	25	0	577
Essex,	Gardiner Burnham,	161	95	132	76	11	0	0	12	49	0	0	202	274	0	1,650
Everett, 1st,	Dea. George S. Marshall,	m1189	660	400	195	108	7	16	62	25	0	9	148	375	200	5,166
" Courtland st.	John M. Finch,	156	106	30	38	3	0	0	10	0	0	0	2	15	0	617
" Mystic Side,	Allison C. Smith,	275	168	183	32	67	7	1	29	7	17	1	4	133	0	1,861
Fairhaven,	Robert W Taber,	139	88	150	30	50	0	0	36	0	0	0	5	91	0	2,000
Fall River, 1st,	G. Frank Allen,	300	197	240	186	355	1,155	74	3,674	52	63	0	2,725	8,098	0	5,970
" Cen'l,	W D. Fellows,	m810	490	450	90	1,275	84	77	3,280	513	117	0	2,047	7,393	0	10,000
" Fowler,	Frederick W. Lawson,	160	116	80	35	76	0	0	28	0	25	0	21	150	0	865
" *French*,	Rev. Samuel P. Rondeau,	54	47	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	154
" Broadway,	William H. Ives,	93	74	45	42	7	0	0	17	4	0	0	2	30	0	458
Falmouth, 1st,	Dea. Seba A. Holton,	125	68	120	25	78	10	8	63	15	17	14	28	233	0	1,200
" East,	William F Robinson,	25	17	19	20	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	35	0	500
" North,	Dea. Silas Hatch, Hatchville,	50	35	50	20	42	0	5	22	6	1	0	20	96	0	800
" Waquoit,	Dea. Alexander Crocker,	18	15	33	0	24	0	0	10	0	3	0	4	41	0	300
" Woods Holl,	Willis C. Gifford,	40	28	22	36	8	0	0	13	0	0	0	15	36	0	500
Fitchburg, Calv.	Albert Brown,	325	196		125	131	35	47	233	93	107	69	548	1,263	0	6,697
" Rollstone,	Charles A. Tilton,	503	289	500	166	194	14	19	576	90	10	21	386	1,310	0	4,623
" *German*,	Rev. S. Herman Schwab,	130	83	72	30	13	0	0	10	0	0	0	28	51	0	600
" *Swedish*,	W Patterson,	107	97	55	55	67	0	0	10	0	0	0	111	188	0	2,100
Foxboro',	Benj. F. Boyden,	330	152	193	70	157	26	12	113	155	17	15	169	664	0	3,374
Framingham,	**Harry D. Eastman,**	145	75	140	58	406	408	19	689	318	18	0	48	1,906	0	2,800
" Saxonville,	**Arthur C. Winch,**	105	67	100	72	52	5	7	57	14	7	8	115	265	0	1,600
" South,	Alfred J Heath,	442	264	325	98	373	68	44	342	140	63	30	1,193	2,253	0	7,979
Franklin, 1st,	Wm. S. Richardson,	228	129	200	80	100	18	9	227	32	9	0	142	537	0	2,500
Freetown,	Miss Florence Dean,	26	19	50	32	3	0	2	5	0	0	0	10	0	0	225
Gardner,	Herbert D. Burnham,	275	223	385	91	272	48	32	270	101	155	0	378	1,256	0	5,200
Georgetown, 1st,	Edwin S. Dani ls,	109	63	110	22	29	0	0	59	19	0	0	0	107	0	1,500
" Memorial,	Lewis H. Giles,	142	112	145	54	58	29	10	95	13	6	5	97	313	0	1,939
Gill,	Francis Foster,	30	24	20	20	10	30	0	43	10	5	0	0	98	0	435
Gloucester, West,	Walter Haskell,	60	48	57	0	15	0	0	10	14	0	0	22	61	0	350
" Trinity,	**John Cunningham,**	525	372	380	100	263	59	66	254	117	0	30	851	1,640	600	5,060
" Lanesville,	**J. H. Andrews,**	169	66	115	75	10	0	0	0	0	3	0	26	39	0	1,000

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Gloucester, **Magnolia,**	1887	George A. Upton,				10	23	33	4	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	1
Goshen,	1780	Charles N. Shaw,	Calvin Keyser, *p.*	'75	'98	24	32	56	13	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	3
Grafton,	1731	Mrs.H.CatherineAllen,	Benjamin A. Robie, *p.*	'66	'84	38	100	138	36	2	1	3	2	5	0	7	2	0
" **Saundersville,**	1860	Wm. E. Fowler,	David Howie, *p.*	'89	'93	43	91	134	31	14	2	16	1	0	0	1	9	6
Granby,	1762	Simeon Kellogg,	Robert C. Bell, *p.*	'69	'92	73	127	200	26	0	1	1	6	4	0	10	0	0
Granville, **East,**	1747	Mrs. J. W. Johnson,	Wallace H. Sterns, *p. c.*	'97	'97	13	29	42	13	0	2	2	1	0	1	2	0	0
" **West,**	1781	Rev. S. B. Andrews,	Samuel B. Andrews, *p.*	'68	'96	25	36	61	27	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	2	0
Great Barrington,	1743	Joseph W. Curtiss,	Leon D. Bliss, *p. c.*	'89	'96	84	204	288	54	5	5	10	4	4	0	8	4	5
" **Housatonic,**	1841	Thomas E. Brown,	Arthur J. Benedict, *p.*	'75	'92	58	120	178	25	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0
Greenfield, 1st,	1754	Charles W. Dinsmore,	Carey H. Watson, *p.*	'91	'90	30	48	78	21	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
" 2d,	1817	Solon L. Newton,	G. Glenn Atkins, *p.*	'95	'94	97	233	330	52	20	11	31	4	4	0	8	14	5
Greenwich,	1749	Walter H. Glazier,	James P. Harper,	'94	'99	22	68	90	21	1	2	3	4	1	4	9	1	0
Groton,	1664	Dea. Darwin P. Keyes,	Louis B. Voorhees, *p. c.*	'71	'93	58	121	179	36	1	2	3	6	3	0	9	1	5
" **West,**	1893	Mrs. M. E. Williams,	Alfred S. Hudson, *p.*	'67	'95	7	10	17	1	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
Groveland,	1727	Dea. W. B. Ladd,	Alexander Sloan, *p.*	'97	'97	25	71	96	18	1	0	1	3	2	0	5	1	0
Hadley, 1st,	1659	M. S. Pierce,	Edward E. Keedy, *p.*	'94	'94	67	133	200	40	4	8	12	3	1	0	4	1	1
" 2d, **North,**	1831	O. W. Prouty,	John W. Lane, *p. c.*	'60	'77	56	80	136	42	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Halifax,	1734	Miss M. J. Danforth,	Jesse H. Jones, *p.*	'61	'97	13	37	50	15	1	3	4	2	2	0	4	1	0
Hamilton,	1714	Joseph P. Lovering,	Jesse G. Nichols, *p. c.*	'94	'94	32	71	103	33	2	2	4	3	2	0	5	2	2
Hampden,	1785	Dea. A. B. Newell,	James B. Sargent, *p. c.*	'97	'97	22	49	71	16	2	1	3	2	0	0	2	1	3
Hanover, **West,**	1728	Dea. Francis B. Ellis,	Edward D. Disbrow, *p.*	'92	'95	13	49	62	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
" Four Corners,	1854	Henry B. Barstow,	John Wild, *p.*	'92	'92	15	33	48	11	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Hanson,	1748	George W. Severance,*a*	Charles S. Bates, *p.*	'90	'96	10	31	41	7	3	0	3	1	1	0	2	2	0
Hardwick,	1736	Rev. Harlan Page,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'91	12	37	49	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" **Gilbertville,**	1867	Alfred H. Richardson,	Dwight C. Stone, *p. c.*	'88	'95	45	73	118	43	3	0	3	2	2	0	4	3	3
Harvard,	1821	Dea. J. W. Bacon,				21	42	63	9	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	1
Harwich,	1747	Wm. H. Underwood,	Charles H. Rowley,	'81	'99	21	55	76	10	10	1	11	0	2	0	2	9	10
" **Port,**	1855	Mrs. Emulous Small,	Edward T. Ford, *p. c.*	'97	'97	7	43	50	5	6	4	10	0	0	0	0	5	1
Hatfield,	1671	James Porter,	Robert Mc E. Woods, *p. c.*	'77	'76	94	174	268	32	2	1	3	6	5	0	11	0	2
Haverhill, **Bradford,**	1682	Dea. S. W. Carleton,	John D. Kingsbury, *p. c.*	'56	'66	141	301	442	0	1	5	6	6	3	0	9	1	1
" West,	1735	Edward Webster,	John N. Lowell, *p. c.*	'77	'80	58	94	152	41	6	3	9	4	0	0	4	3	2
" 4th,	1744	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	7	18	25	4	1	3	4	0	0	1	1	1	0
" Center,	1833	Charles N. Dyer,	Calvin M. Clark, *p. c.*	'90	'93	113	321	434	45	12	7	19	9	12	0	21	9	7
" North,	1859	George C. How,	James S. Williamson,	'90	'99	127	362	489	0	3	7	10	11	10	0	21	2	0
" Riverside,	1884	C. F. Foster,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	20	58	78	9	2	0	2	1	3	0	4	1	2
" Union,	1891	Frederick Brooks,	Albert F. Newton, *p. c.*	'77	'98	34	79	113	5	15	17	32	3	4	0	7	8	2
" St. John's, *French,*	'93		Eugene L. Raiche, *p.*	'97	'96	8	7	15	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
" **Ward Hill,**	1893	Harlan Chase,	Charles Clark, *p. c.*	'94	'97	23	50	73	0	6	3	9	3	0	0	3	6	16
Hawley,	1778	Mrs. F. S. Bissell,	Hohannes T. Torosyan,	'99	'99	18	34	52	11	4	0	4	3	3	0	6	3	0
" **West,**	1825	Willis Vincent,	Thomas S. Robie, *p.*	'59	'96	21	31	52	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Hingham,	1847	E. M. Lane, **H Center,**	Arthur Truslow, *p.*	'96	'99	34	62	96	17	3	0	3	2	4	1	7	2	9
" **Bethany, Nantasket,**	1891	Mrs. Marcia P. Beale,	Cecil Harper, *p.*	'79	'92	7	13	20	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	For. elsm.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.	Legacies.	Home Exp.
Gloucester, Mag'a	James E. Enman,	60	36	54	40	150	2	0	20	5	0	0	18	195	0	1,000
Goshen,	August D. Cordtsen,	50	35	43	22	2	0	0	8	1	11	0	22	44	0	491
Grafton,	William Loynd,	151	92	95	53	187	15	19	37	40	45	0	133	476	0	2,347
" Saundersville,	William E. Fowler,	178	124	116	116	91	2	10	13	6	24	0	316	462	0	2,124
Granby,	G. F Eastman,	140	66	93	60	50	69	2	183	15	3	7	88	417	0	1,356
Granville, East,	Edward Roberts,	25	12	45	0	16	5	5	0	5	0	0	5	36	0	675
" West,	Frank Ives,	30	19	48	10	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	11	0	190
Great Barrington	E. H. Baldwin,	220	130	210	88	81	13	22	79	38	17	20	427	697	0	3,997
Housatonic,	Thomas E. Brown,	m209	156	132	55	175	8	0	25	21	8	7	276	520	0	1,800
Greenfield, 1st,	Louis N. Smead,	77	48	71	32	25	5	10	55	57	10	0	12	174	0	904
" 2d,	George H. Kaulback,	281	237	325	0	302	188	92	158	153	56	0	190	1,139	0	4,648
Greenwich,	F P. Hall	60	43	50	20	0	0	0	15	146	21	0	38	220	0	600
Groton,	Rev. Henry H. Gay,	141	73	110	36	707	262	27	181	67	46	0	177	1,467	0	2,168
" West,	Charles Bixby,	60	37		30	10	0	0	11	4	0	0	0	25	0	375
Groveland,	Charles S. Huntress,	128	81	150	27	43	5	9	12	72	21	0	80	242	0	1,061
Hadley, 1st,	A. J. Randall,	120	79	98	55	133	11	7	65	33	4	3	15	271	0	1,265
" 2d, North,	J W Lane,	75	40	70	37	34	0	0	11	8	0	0	2	55	0	546
Halifax,	Miss M. J. Danforth,	40	23	50	34	41	0	0	20	0	7	0	6	74	0	403
Hamilton,	Joseph P. Lovering,	125	55	160	100	58	0	3	31	0	2	0	106	200	0	2,346
Hampden,	Alonzo B. Newell,	40	23	50	12	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	800
Hanover, West,	James Richmond, So. H.	90	60	85	60	12	0	0	0	5	0	0	16	33	0	975
" Four Corners,	Israel Hatch,	56	34	50	26	33	2	1	9	6	5	0	12	68	0	691
Hanson,	Miss M. A. Carr,	125	70	120	45	36	4	4	6	7	5	2	10	74	0	788
Hardwick,	Frank W. Kimball,	71	28	82	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	12	17	0	1,000
" Gilbertville,	Elmer M. Marsh,	215	196	135	50	205	138	45	254	86	48	23	111	910	0	1,802
Harvard,	Dea. J. W. Bacon, Ayer,	75	45	50	50	77	5	0	32	3	5	0	25	147	0	1,087
Harwich,	Cyrenus S. Hunt,	76	48	70	47	47	0	8	0	0	0	0	18	73	0	1,032
" Port,	Mrs. Jehiel Jordan,	107	61	100	28											
Hatfield,	Samuel F Billings,	192	121	135	73	310	66	51	260	128	46	0	235	1,096	47,700	2,257
Haverhill, B'fd,	Rev. Vincent Moses,			400	111	180	22	20	285	32	45	0	14	598	0	3,100
" West,	Dea. F A. Russell,	145	88	100	75	41	10	13	108	90	24	36	75	397	500	1,208
" 4th,	Dea. J H. Jaques,	35	22	40	0	12	0	0	43	17	5	0	425	502	0	475
" Center,	W. D. Deering,	400	204	400	137	160	67	74	100	329	17	0	245	992	0	8,000
" North,	William H. Johnson,	271	197	500	77	186	24	28	172	86	32	0	130	658	1,000	7,000
" Riverside,	Dea. A. W. Brown,	260	135	212	95	22	0	10	23	3	5	0	85	148	0	947
" Union,	Samuel C. Rand, jr.,	300	163	250	70	15	0	0	0	5	0	0	50	70	0	2,025
" St. John's, *Fr.*						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	
" Ward Hill,	Charles F. Bisbee,	159	85	115	43	17	0	0	14	4	6	0	23	64	0	3,165
Hawley,	Mrs. T. T. Clark,	44	24	40	15	28	0	0	0	13	2	2	20	65	0	400
" West,	C. C. Fuller,	40	27	35	33	3	2	2	24	3	5	0	15	54	0	355
Hingham,	Charles Bates, H. Center,	117	57	83		36	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	1,200
" Bethany,	H. O. Beale,	30	25	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	550

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Hinsdale,	1795	James Hosmer,	James H. Laird, *p. c.*	'64	'83	63	115	178	53	3	1	4	8	12	3	23	0	9
Holbrook,	1856	Seth C. Sawyer,	Warren F Low, *p. c.*	'94	'94	75	169	244	49	0	2	2	4	1	0	5	0	0
Holden,	1742	Miss Nancy Perry,	Thoma E. Babb, *p.*	'69	'92	38	63	101	24	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0
Holland,	1765	Mrs. E. J. Webber,	Josiah G. Willis, *p.*	'76	'96	8	22	30	15	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Holliston,	1728	Dea. Wm. Daniels,	Nicholas Vander Pyl, *p. c.*	'93	'95	69	176	245	40	2	6	8	9	1	15	25	1	1
Holyoke, 1st,	1799	John K. Judd,	George W. Winch, *p. c.*	'75	'88	89	178	267	11	4	9	13	3	7	1	11	2	6
" 2d,	1849	Dea. C. J. Humeston,	Edward A. Reed, *p. c.*	'71	'86	290	648	938	137	27	17	44	8	19	0	27	9	29
" *French*,	1886	Dr. George Robert,	Charles H. Vessot, *p.*	'92	'93	18	22	40	7	11	1	12	1	0	0	1	0	1
Hopkinton,	1724	Dea. John C. Adams,	James B. King, *p. c.*	'84	'99	77	145	222	77	8	0	8	7	7	0	14	4	4
Hubbardston,	1770	Miss Lucy H. Grimes,	Milan H. Hitchcock,	'57	'99	17	33	50	11	1	4	5	1	3	0	4	0	0
Hudson,	1889	Philander H. Ware,	Almon J. Rackliffe, *p.*	'82	'94	32	76	108	15	5	3	8	0	2	0	2	4	3
Huntington, 1st, Norwich,	1778	Dea. C H Kirkland,	Webster L. Hendrick, *p.*	'89	'98	24	40	64	12	0	2	2	5	1	1	7	0	0
" 2d,	1846	Frank S. Jones,	G Walter Fiske, *p. c.*	'98	'98	38	83	121	32	0	4	4	2	2	0	4	0	0
Hyde Park,	1863	Arthur H. Burt,	Henry N. Hoyt, *p. c.*	'76	'98	222	460	682	98	4	10	14	3	8	4	15	0	6
" Clarendon Hills,	1880	George Jeffers,	Achilles L. Loder, *p.*	'77	'97	28	41	69	16	3	4	7	1	1	23	25	2	3
Ipswich, 1st,	1634	Dea. J. C. Cogswell,	Edward Constant, *p.*	'83	'92	34	126	160	23	4	3	7	2	1	0	3	3	0
" South,	1747	Joseph I. Horton,	T Frank Waters, *p. c.*	'76	'79	31	134	165	26	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	3
" Linebrook,	1749	Dea. J. H. Tenney,	William P Alcott, *p. c.*	'68	'86	24	23	47	12	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	0
Kingston,	1828	Mrs. E. R. La Porte,	Zenas Crowell *p. c.*	'77	'86	19	58	77	23	0	0	0	4	3	0	7	0	0
Lakeville,	1725	Dea. C. F. Paull, Myricks,	George H. Perry *p.*	'87	'97	36	35	71		1	0	1	1	6	0	7	1	0
" Union Grove,	1877		Vaola J. Hartshorne, *p.*	'65	'98	1	4	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lancaster,	1839	Horatio Bailey,	Charles S. Haynes, *p. c.*	'94	'96	38	62	100	35	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1
Lanesboro,	1764	Dea. Wm. S. Royce,	[George W. Love, *Meth.*]		'94	4	14	18	3	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lawrence, Lawrence st.,	1847	Albert I. Couch,	William E. Wolcott, *p. c.*	'81	'85	153	385	538	176	6	15	21	5	5	0	10	3	6
" South,	1868	Dea. G. W. Dinsmore,				40	97	137	17	2	9	11	1	0	0	1	2	2
" Riverside,	1878	Richard Shiers,	Henry E. Oxnard, *p. c.*	'94	'96	36	98	134	32	3	0	3	1	3	0	4	0	11
" Trinity,	1883	Edwin Fletcher,	Frederick A. Page, *p. c.*	'93	'96	129	277	406	60	10	6	16	4	10	0	14	4	7
" United,	1886	Christopher Warburton	Herbert G. Mank, *p. c.*	'88	'98	35	87	122	10	18	15	33	3	2	0	5	6	10
Lee,	1780	Dea. Charles H. Sabin,	Lyman S. Rowland, *p. c.*	'64	'77	161	285	446	100	11	8	19	4	2	0	6	5	3
Leicester,	1719	George O. Currier,	David C. Reid, *p. c.*	'84	'94	77	131	208	68	0	3	3	5	0	0	5	0	0
Lenox,	1769	Dea. Henry Sedgewick,	Frederic Lynch, *p. c.*	'99	'99	57	94	151	28	3	0	3	1	6	5	12	1	2
Leominster,	1822	Charles E. Woodward,	Lawrence Phelps, *p.*	'75	'99	160	324	484	62	2	5	7	5	5	0	10	0	5
" North,	1874	Emma G. Hall,	James M. Bell, *p.*	'58	'93	19	49	68	5	0			2	0	1	3	0	0
Leverett,	1774	Cephas F. Frary,	Richard Scoles,	'80	'99	40	68	108	45	0	0	0	3	4	22	29	0	0
" Moore's Corner,	1896	J. C. Wightman,	[John C. Wightman, *Lic.*]		'95	16	19	35	3	0	1	1	1	1	3	5	0	0
Lexington,	1868	James P. Prince,	Charles F. Carter, *p. c.*	'83	'96	68	137	205	46	0	10	10	3	6	0	9	0	5
Lincoln,	1747	George L. Chapin,	Edward E. Bradley, *p. c*	'93	'93	32	51	83	24	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0
Littleton,	1840	Miss Abbie J. Cutter,	Amelia A. Frost, *p. c.*	'94	'95	50	80	130	23	6	2	8	2	2	0	4	4	0
Longmeadow,	1716	Edward P Tabor,	Stephen G. Barnes, *p. c.*	'81	'91	52	131	183	27	6	12	18	2	1	3	6	0	6
Lowell, Pawtucket,	1797	Dea. John J. Colton,	Willis D. Leland, *p. c.*	'80	'92	50	103	153	19	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	1

Housatonic, *see* Great Barrington. Hyannis, *see* Barnstable.

Indian Orchard, *see* Springfield. Islington, *see* Westwood. Jamaica Plain, *see* Boston. Lanesville, *see* Gloucester. Linden, *see* Malden. Linebrook, *see* Ipswich.

NOTE. — By a clerical error, wrong figures were given on this page to Lenox, in 1898. They should have stood thus: 58, 96, 156, 27, 8, 4, 12, 3, 4, 4, 11, 2, 1.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Hinsdale,	Alden H. Pierce,	160	105	80	125	254	16	0	362	40	0	10	183	865	0	1,559
Holbrook,	Dea. Leonard Belcher,	214	115	175	49	109	19	17	318	85	78	20	304	950	0	2,800
Holden,	T Earle Babb,	86	60	100	43	90	10	10	27	14	7	0	13	171	0	1,354
Holland,	Freeman B Blodgett,	36	20	27	0	0	0	2	17	0	0	0	0	19	0	275
Holliston,	George B. Fiske,	207	127	250	60	109	0	8	221	33	0	0	133	504	0	3,128
Holyoke, 1st,	Roland T Oakes	518	306	345	120	293	19	21	304	60	55	21	1,200	1,973	0	6,000
" 2d,	A. H. Morton,	1,058	642	510	107	892	39	918	3,668	99	42	46	21,103	26,807	0	10,144
" *French*,	Adolphe Fluhmann,	26	17	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	57
Hopkinton,	J David Stewart,	150	115	160	69	53	26	30	157	39	75	41	39	460	0	2,159
Hubbardston,	Charles T. Wyman,	55	24	40	9	21	3	0	7	7	2	0	0	40	0	600
Hudson,	M. T. Bailey,	147	95	90	47	8	0	0	37	12	0	0	38	95	0	897
Huntington, 1st,	James B. Lyman,	64	42	40	25	8	0	0	7	25	0	0	0	40	12	360
" 2d,	C. Winthrop Jones,	116	50	86	21	16	0	0	8	8	0	0	0	32	0	1,455
Hyde Park,	Edward S. Hathaway,	709	394		224	645	98	48	230	271	65	113	579	2,049	0	9,192
" Cl. Hills,	Henry L Johnson	147	109	96	69	16	2	2	21	13	5	1	14	77	0	939
Ipswich, 1st,	Rev Edward Constant,	185	102	150	83	167	27	18	93	20	39	0	131	495	0	
" South,	Frank T. Goodhue,	150	80		47	100	61	70	145	148	38	20	48	630	0	1,745
" Linebrook,	Albert F. Tenney,	40	29	37	12	19	0	4	18	17	2	0	37	97	0	700
Kingston,	Miss Fannie B. McLauthlin,	90	40	70	38	59	8	10	35	18	10	5	16	161	0	1,400
Lakeville,	Thos. P Paull Myricks,	65	42	55	15	53	0	0	35	21	20	0	30	159	1,000	775
" Un. Grove,	Mrs. Elisha Cudworth,	10		23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Lancaster,	Rev. Charles S. Haynes,	99	64	90	40	91	29	9	96	70	28	0	8	331	0	1,316
Lanesboro,	Miss Lena Read,	45	35	17	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	250
Lawrence, L. st.	Lonzo S. Crosby,	352	209	350	118	60	15	15	1,050	200	75	0	350	1,765	0	4,800
" South,	Herbert B. Merrick,	280	206	225	41	37	6	0	28	18	0	0	17	106	0	2,600
" Riverside,	Rev Henry E. Oxnard,	190	140	60	60	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	1,100
" Trinity,	Wilbur E. Rowell,	315	263	330	50	148	16	17	242	54	7	190	0	674	50	5,000
" United,	Peter Pickens,	149	125	130	88	0	0	0	5	0	3	0	15	23	0	6,950
Lee,	Augustus R. Smith,	190	158	205	116	906	50	77	779	343	97	0	1,397	3,649	0	3,674
Leicester,	Albert S Conant,	155	70	100	75	261	48	10	399	57	10	24	253	1,062	21,900	2,949
Lenox,	Edward C. Carter,	171	82	60	70	133	18	8	80	34	30	0	70	373	0	2,502
Leominster,	Walter N. Howe,	446	261	270	62	208	41	17	108	168	42	0	547	1,131	0	4,075
" North,	Charles H. Haven,	130	84	75	59	55	16	7	95	14	0	7	4	198	0	1,700
Leverett,	C. Hall Beaman,	127	71	80	24	10	0	0	30	26	0	0	0	66	22	443
" Moore's Cor.	E. E. Briggs,	60	40	58	0	10	0	4	6	0	2	0	5	27	0	2,496
Lexington,	Allston M. Redman,	180	121	110	80	231	47	88	236	152	40	6	10	810	0	4,226
Lincoln,	Edward F. Flint,	60	35	80	30	797	25	10	327	150	18	10	35	1,372	0	1,800
Littleton,	George W. Canny,	80	40	50	65	15	12	7	21	9	6	0	63	133	0	1,164
Longmeadow,	Frank B. Allen,	190	81	128	52	447	268	27	180	72	18	19	49	1,080	0	1,789
Lowell, Pt.,	Charles F. Miles,	245	146	180	123	96	0	159	26	12	0	146	0	439	0	4,886

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Lowell, 1st,	1825	Dea. Andrew Liddell,	Franke A. Warfield, *p. c.*	'71	'98	151	387	538	178	0	7	7	2	13	0	15	0	5
" 1st Trinitarian,	1826	Dea. Daniel A. Eaton,	George F Kenngott, *p.*	'89	'92	152	403	555	108	25	4	29	6	9	0	15	8	16
" Eliot,	1830	Frank W. Corey,	John M. Greene, *p. c.*	'57	'70	132	308	440	87	19	10	29	6	0	0	6	8	10
" John st.,	1839	Wm. H. G. Wright,	George H. Johnson, *p. c.*	'77	'92	61	148	209	59	0	3	3	1	2	0	3	0	1
" Kirk st.,	1845	Albert L. Thompson,	William A. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'86	'96	172	393	565	175	14	14	28	8	6	0	14	10	6
" High st.,	1846	Francis N. Chase,	Chas. W. Huntington, *p. c.*	'81	'88	76	160	236	44	3	2	5	2	2	0	4	2	4
" *French*,	1877	Auguste Lowe	Thomas G. A. Coté, *p.*	'71	'95	68	62	130	24	6	0	6	4	0	0	4	6	10
" Highland,	1884	Edgar E. Linnell,	Charles L. Merriam, *p. c.*	'82	'91	90	224	314	70	7	11	18	3	10	0	13	4	2
" *Swed.*,	1885	Dea. Alfred Swanson,	Andrew P. Nelson, *p. c.*	'94	'97	28	62	90	8	10	0	10	0	0	2	2	0	5
" *Norwegian*,	1895	Carl A. Hanson,	Carl M. Jacobson, *p.*	'98	'98	8	11	19	2	4	1	5	0	1	0	1	0	2
Ludlow, Center,	1789	Rev. E. D. Francis,	Everett D. Francis, *p. c.*	'95	'95	43	87	130	27	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	0
" Union,	1867	A. A Gove,	William Thomas, *p.*	'82	'97	26	72	98	10	0	3	3	1	6	0	7	0	14
Lunenburg,	1835	Edmund S. Francis,	David Wallace, *p*	'94	'97	25	68	93	29	5	4	9	2	0	1	3	2	0
Lynn, 1st,	1632	Guilford S. Newhall,	William C Merrill, *p.*	'84	'96	78	182	260	23	3	13	16	4	1	0	5	1	3
" Central,	1850	Edward A. Perkins,	Albert W. Moore, *p. c.*	'73	'82	106	231	337	63	4	2	6	4	9	2	15	1	0
" Chestnut st.,	1860	George E. Sargent,	George W. Osgood, *p.*	'78	'94	43	149	192	51	8	3	11	2	3	0	5	3	2
" North,	1869	W. Fred Haskell,	Arthur J. Covell, *p. c.*	'90	'98	53	151	204	26	4	10	14	4	7	3	14	4	2
" *Swed.*,	1888	Axel R. Bohlinder,	John A. Johnson, *p. c.*	'92	'88	37	63	100	15	8	0	8	0	5	2	7	0	19
Lynnfield, Center,	1720	Charles E. Pearson,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'95	19	57	76	15	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
" 2d,	1854	Rev. G. E. Freeman,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'95	6	31	37	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malden,	1648	Percy E. Walbridge,	Henry H. French, *p. c.*	'81	'95	251	489	740	122	7	28	35	6	8	1	15	2	9
" Maplewood,	1874	Charles H. Keeler,	[J. T. McBean,]		'99	56	127	183	30	1	11	12	2	5	0	7	1	4
" Linden,	1876	William W Douglass,	John C. Williams, *p.*	'90	'95	19	55	74	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	5
Manchester,	1716	George F Allen,	Walter H. Ashley, *p.*	'78	'98	55	134	189	23	1	5	6	8	4	1	13	1	0
Mansfield,	1838	Edward P Fitts,	Herman F. Swartz, *p. c.*	'98	'98	82	174	256	32	8	3	11	3	7	13	23	4	0
Marblehead,	1684	Daniel Appleton,	S. Linton Bell, *p. c.*	'77	'84	54	189	243	33	5	10	15	1	1	0	2	3	4
Marion,	1703	Rev H. L. Brickett,	Harry L. Brickett, *p. c.*	'94	'94	23	63	86		7	1	8	2	2	0	4	5	2
Marlboro',	1666	F L. Claflin,	Lincoln B. Goodrich, *p. c.*	'93	'96	110	254	364	42	16	14	30	7	10	10	27	9	4
" *French*,	1891	Mrs. S. E. Olmstead,	Samuel E. Lord,		'98	10	15	25	3	1	2	3	1	1	1	3	0	1
Marshfield, 1st,	1632	Dea. John H. Bourne,	Frederic W Manning, *p. c.*	'91	'91	32	62	94	21	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
" Hills,	1835	Israel H.Hatch, No.M.				10	24	34	8	0	0	0	2	1	1	4	0	0
Mattapoisett,	1736	L. L. B. Dexter,	Robert Humphrey, *p.*	'83	'96	18	63	81	17	2	3	5	2	3	0	5	0	0
Maynard,	1852	John W. Flood,				60	169	229	68	22	2	24	1	3	0	4	0	0
Medfield,	1828	Dea. Francis S. Wight,	Leroy M. Pierce, *p.*	'70	'97	23	89	112	33	5	2	7	1	6	0	7	1	2
Medford, Mystic,	1847	Nathaniel A. Dyer,	John Barstow *p. c.*	'87	'94	133	307	440	50	11	12	23	6	17	0	23	4	17
" West,	1872	Henry Newcomb,	Judson V Clancy *p. c.*	'78	'96	66	155	221	48	3	4	7	2	7	0	9	2	8
" Union,	1887	James Learmonth,	Isaac Pierson, *p c.*	'70	'95	37	58	95	9	18	9	27	2	2	0	4	8	2
Medway, West,	1750	Edgar S. Woodman,				48	106	154		0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
" Village,	1838	Rev. R. K. Harlow,	Rufus K. Harlow, *p. c.*	'68	'72	64	141	205	38	20	2	22	7	5		12	12	10
" 3d, West,	1886	Dea. M. B. Fuller,				8	23	31	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Lowell, 1st,	Tilden B. Stevenson,	363	180	0	85	107	0	0	115	10	0	0	130	362	0	5,217
" 1st Trin.,	Orrin C. Frye,	659	363	635	200	87	10	4	250	38	25	10	350	774	19	15,285
" Elliot,	Edward E. Sargent,	440	242	300	210	150	17	0	937	22	5	0	300	1,431	1,000	6,223
" John st.,	William H. G. Wright,	139	86	150	40	80	0	24	108	21	0	0	149	382	0	3,005
" Kirk st.,	Lewis Alexander,	350	202	360	80	396	357	1,524	2,820	87	24	32	3,426	8,666	0	7,844
" High st.,	Francis N. Chase,	337	173	225	36	290	69	111	625	217	32	55	1,680	3,079	0	5,838
" *French*,	Emile Paignon,	50	35	50	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	50	150	0	200
" Highl'd,	William T. Dole,	440	205	350	115	180	15	5	86	78	22	0	92	478	100	4,066
" *Swed.*,	Carl F. Pihl,	50	40	25	38	0	0	5	9	0	4	0	25	43	0	975
" *Norwegian*,						13	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	120
Ludlow, Center,	G. D. Atchinson,	156	82	70	0	79	15	0	44	20	20	0	11	189	32	950
" Union,	Rev. Wm. A. Thomas,	103	78	120	40	46	10	0	12	0	3	0	27	98	0	1,400
Lunenburg,	Alpheus K. Francis,	98	55	70	23	6	3	0	14	5	25	0	37	90	0	1,138
Lynn, 1st,	John J. McKenzie,	415	214	175	113	145	12	45	84	36	37	0	548	907	0	4,984
" Central,	Henry P. Emerson,	619	343	200	259	209	10	15	323	20	20	0	1,241	1,838	0	
" Chestnut st.,	Charles G. Clapp,	200	120	140	77	54	3	2	91	2	7	3	255	417	0	1,805
" North,	George P. Southwick,	214	134	193	84	46	24	0	49	0	7	0	124	250	0	3,535
" *Swed.*,	John E. Lindbury,	65	45	62	42	0	6	0	25	0	5	0	0	30	0	1,073
Lynnfield, Cen.,	George Hatch,	105	56	76	38	102	0	17	50	50	0	0	16	235	0	1,585
" 2d,	Fred Jacobs,	98	60	65	35	25	0	0	32	10	0	0	20	87	0	427
Malden,	Fred L. Cressey,	769	472	800	325	328	45	35	141	96	26	165	823	1,659	0	14,000
" Maplewood,	Frederick J. Smith,	283	182	225	31	55	0	0	103	0	0	0	103	261	0	2,010
" Linden,	H. W. Harper,	135	102	95	50	10	0	0	0	0	8	0	38	56	0	1,641
Manchester,	Albert Cunningham,	225	138	175	143	96	20	0	54	14	0	0	25	209	0	1,975
Mansfield,	William A. Copeland,	343	192	200	158	100	14	13	164	28	21	0	117	457	0	1,992
Marblehead,	John G. Broughton,	335	186	200	100	110	4	6	101	44	5	5	353	628	0	2,955
Marion,	Stephen D. Hadley,	147	59	115	40	74	48	10	126	40	5	0	40	343	0	2,251
Marlboro',	Dea. Elmer D. Howe,	320	220	275	102	350	89	39	225	214	26	35	755	1,733	200	3,992
" *French*,	Napoleon Cordeau,	40	28	15	22	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	176
Marshfield, 1st,	J. Fletcher Barnes,	137	55	110	43	130	17	96	116	117	75	0	7	558	0	1,033
" Hills,	Miss Agnes L. Sherman, N.M.	47	28	38	30	20	0	0	10	0	6	0	13	49	0	712
Mattapoisett,	J. C. F. Atsatt,	90	70	100	50	20	15	8	100	10	12	0	10	175	2,400	1,400
Maynard,	William A. Gutteridge,	285	180	185	123	125	151	17	275	0	9	0	214	791	0	1,904
Medfield,	Richard E. Cole,	96	53		59	37	10	6	12	23	5	0	30	123	0	1,475
Medford, Mystic,	Charles E. Miller,	583	348	343	157	470	59	64	656	157	129	0	653	2,188	0	5,936
" West,	Charles H. Hanson,	325	154	215	119	193	14	13	97	55	20	8	353	753	0	3,741
" Union,	Percy H. Hodgman,	194	108	120	84	39	15	21	145	13	6	0	34	273	0	1,095
Medway, West,	Carlos Kelsey,	180	85			0	0	0	0	2	0	0	27	29	0	1,525
" Village,	C. R. Adams,	128	78	141	50	70	10	20	50	25	25	5	196	401	0	2,635
" 3d, West,	Nathan W. Davenport,	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	7	119	0	0	0	169	0	

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Melrose,	1848	Dea. Isaac A. Cochran,	Thomas Sims, *p.*	'75	'97	161	297	458	65	3	9	12	4	5	0	9	2	5
" **Highlands,**	1875	Fred A. Houdlette,	Burke F. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'93	102	240	342	13	13	22	35	2	11	0	13	7	8
Merrimac,	1726	Richard A. Sargent,	George L. Todd, *p. c.*	'87	'92	137	255	392	52	7	2	9	7	0	1	8	3	0
Methuen,	1729	Chas. H. T. Mann,	Charles H. Oliphant, *p. c.*	'76	'84	88	182	270	40	0	2	2	4	5	0	9	0	2
Middleboro', 1st,	1694	Augustus H. Soule,	George W. Stearns, *p.*	'83	'91	55	108	163	23	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	2	1
" **North,**	1748	Percy W. Keith,	Charles L. Tomblen,	'77	'99	39	70	109	20	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0
" **Central,**	1847	Henry W. Sears,	Rich'd G Woodbridge, *p.c.*	'81	'93	114	248	362	45	10	6	16	2	13	1	16	6	5
Middlefield,	1783		Henry M. Bowden,	'86	'99													
Middleton,	1729	Galen B. Howe,	Leslie C. Greeley, *p.*	'98	'98	32	67	99		0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0
Milford,	1741	Willard S. Wood,	Webster Woodbury, *p. c.*	'68	'88	69	210	279		5	5	10	9	8	1	18	5	1
Millbury,	1747	Dr. A. G. Hurd,	George A. Putnam, *p. c.*	'60	'71	41	139	180	61	0	2	2	4	1	0	5	0	2
" 2d,	1827	Ira M. Goddard,	George P. Eastman, *p. c.*	'91	'91	46	138	184	33	5	2	7	6	3	0	9	4	0
Millis,	1714	Dea. J.W. Clark, *a*	Albert H. Wheelock, *p.*	'88	'93	30	77	107	40	1	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	4
Milton,	1678	A. H.Tucker, Blue Hill,	Henry S. Huntington, *p.*	'66	'88	35	67	102	18	1	3	4	2	2	0	4	0	1
" **East,**	1843	Dea. Frank Kemp,	Andrew H. Mulnix,	'98	'99	11	28	39	1	0	9	9	0	1	0	1	0	0
Monson,	1762	Mrs. C. C. Keep,	Franklin S. Hatch, *p. c.*	'76	'87	84	185	269	39	51	5	56	3	3	0	6	41	0
Montague,	1752	Sanford Marsh,	Martin L. Richardson, *p.*	'60	'91	37	91	128	25	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	0
" **Miller's Falls,**	1872	Mrs. Laura A. Giles,	Dorr A. Hudson, *p.*	'91	'93	13	38	51	6	0	4	4	0	1	0	1	0	4
" **Turner'sFalls,**	1875	Frank N. Conant,	Frank N. Merriam, *p. c.*	'92	'97	35	71	106	17	3	2	5	2	2	0	4	1	1
Monterey,	1750	Miss J. A. Townsend,	John Dooley, *p.*	'72	'98	36	77	113	23	3	5	8	0	0	4	4	2	0
Mt. Washington,	1874					6	17	23	13									
Nantucket,	1728	Miss Lydia M. Folger,	Walcott Fay, *p.*	'84	'97	11	100	111	19	0	6	6	2	0	0	2	0	1
Natick,	1802	Dea. F. M. Forbush,	Frederick E. Sturgis, *p. c.*	'68	'84	204	473	677	66	41	15	56	11	10	0	21	29	7
" **South,**	1859	Miss A. M. Caswell,	Irving A. Burnap, *p.*	'92	'97	25	44	69	17	3	2	5	0	5	0	5	1	0
Needham,	1857	Joseph Willett,	Ralph J. Houghton,	'91	'99	76	152	228	42	2	4	6	2	2	0	4	0	1
New Bedford, Acushnet,	1696	Frederic B. Hawes,	Frederick L. Davis, *p.*	'93	'99	18	43	61	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1807	William R. Chase,	John A. MacColl, *p. c.*	'83	'90	147	372	519	49	10	13	23	6	7	0	13	8	6
" Trinitarian,	1831	James C. Briggs,	Matthew C. Julien, *p. c.*	'72	'72	54	148	202	37	2	3	5	3	3	0	6	2	0
New Braintree,	1754	Dea. George K. Tufts,	Francis H. Boynton, *p.*	'64	'95	16	33	49	16	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1
Newbury,	1635	Dea. John C. Rolfe,	Charles S. Holton, *p. c.*	'92	'97	37	97	134	14	5	8	13	3	2	0	5	3	2
" **Byfield,**	1706	Joseph N. Dummer,	David C. Torrey, *p. c.*	'92	'92	41	77	118	36	1	1	2	4	2	2	8	1	0
Newburyport, North,	1768	Joseph B. Smith,				119	296	415	77	28	3	31	12	3	0	15	11	6
" Prospect st.,	1793	Charles R. Todd.	Myron O. Patton, *p. c.*	'94	'95	66	184	250	39	7	8	15	3	2	2	7	5	1
" Belleville,	1808	Charles A. Currier,	Daniel T. Fiske, *p c.* / Albert W.Hitchcock, *p.c.*	'47 / '91	'47 / '91	106	238	344		6	7	13	6	13	0	19	1	4
" Whitefield,	1850	Arthur B. Reed.	Frank G. Alger, *p.*	'86	'98	63	165	228	40	4	4	8	1	7	0	8	4	1
New Marlboro', 1st,	1744	Rev. Aaron W. Field,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.*	'98	'98	11	22	33	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **Southfield,**	1794	Howard A. Cook,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.*	'98	'98	25	26	51	9	3	0	3	2	1	2	5	3	0
" **Mill River,**	1871	Dea. E. W. Rhoades,	John B. Lewis, *p.*	'95	'97	26	42	68	11	13	7	20	1	0	0	1	8	0
New Salem,	1845	Mrs. A. V. House,	Albert V. House, *p.*	'94	'94	30	39	69	20	0	2	2	1	4	0	5	0	0

Rockville. **Miller's Falls,** *see* **Montague.** **Mill River,** *see* **New Marlboro'.** **Mittineague,** *see* **West Springfield.** **Millville,** *see* **Blackstone.**
Neponset, *see* **Boston.** **New Boston,** *see* **Sandisfield.**

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Melrose,	Frank G. Kellogg,	630	360	330	191	302	41	24	228	128	9	20	498	1,250	0	6,400
" Highlands,	Dea. W. W. Mason,	567	243	289	140	76	50	32	145	149	15	22	143	632	0	5,320
Merrimac,	Rev. George L. Todd,	378	181	231	117	43	0	15	108	103	14	11	11	305	0	2,525
Methuen,	Rev. Charles H. Oliphant,	200	120	175	25	245	20	16	66	6	23	80	348	804	0	3,000
Middleboro',	R. Francis Thompson,	130	68	130	45	133	17	18	95	19	29	15	23	349	0	1,780
" North,	N. W. Keith,	90	55	80	40	50	0	0	100	40	0	0	50	240	500	1,264
" Central,	Alonzo T. Ryder,	321	206	325	51	339	10	31	190	31	9	28	179	817	0	3,656
Middlefield,																
Middleton,	H. Erskine Howe,	116	70	93	85	43	3	4	17	3	3	0	0	73	0	1,022
Milford,	W. B. Whiting,	278	173	285	87	197	0	15	86	88	54	0	712	1,152	25	5,800
Millbury,	Clarence A. Fenner,	100	63	85	50	57	14	22	48	48	10	0	200	399	0	2,184
" 2d,	G. F. Chase,	121	101	127	37	280	107	18	79	35	16	0	99	634	0	1,700
Millis,	Evan F. Richardson,	150	70	155	50	35	7	7	31	10	14	0	11	115	0	2,250
Milton,	H. B. Tucker, Mattapan,	139	70	112	50	166	29	0	55	40	44	0	0	334	0	1,792
" East,	Frank Kemp,	95	64	100	45	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	27	0	1,405
Monson,	Edward F. Morris,	205	129	215	80	529	157	74	505	92	18	23	268	1,666	0	3,781
Montague,	W. C. Cummings,	119	69	120	54	30	8	6	83	15	3	0	10	155	0	1,240
" Miller's F'ls,	Mrs. Laura Giles,	90	60	125	50	6	2	4	8	2	4	0	63	89	0	862
" Turner's F'ls,	Elmer D. Severance,	260	167	100	50	39	21	20	21	52	10	12	75	250	0	2,000
Monterey,	M. V. Thompson,	128	77	90	53	20	0	0	6	13	0	0	3	42	0	650
Mt. Washington,	Herbert A. Jump,	25	20	15		0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	14	0	406
Nantucket,	Mrs. Charlotte A. Huxford,		61	100	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	66	0	1,346
Natick,	H. Carl Smith,	630	400	500	121	392	73	50	586	50	25	15	541	1,732	0	7,013
" South,	Rev. I. A. Burnap,	68	37	50	26	12	0	2	14	0	0	0	2	30	0	825
Needham,	Joseph M. Nickerson,	170	77		40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,780
New Bedford,	Frederic B. Hawes,	90	41	100	50	74	0	0	0	46	0	0	22	142	0	950
" North,	David A. Corey	484	264	400	100	484	25	72	966	53	13	264	893	2,770	0	6,049
" Trin.,	William N. Bassett,	400	300	300	0	168	17	0	388	9	48	0	865	1,495	0	5,760
New Braintree,	Dea. Horatio Moore,	50	19	52	28	15	0	2	20	35	4	0	4	80	0	800
Newbury,	William F. Humphreys,	225	126	210	63	91	0	0	115	51	22	0	297	576	0	2,100
Byfield,	Joseph N. Dummer,	110	80	100	65	8	25	8	10	20	0	0	0	71	0	1,000
Newburyport, N.	John T. Lunt,	335	138	265	51	144	12	0	65	73	14	30	254	592	0	3,000
" Prospect st.,	Charles A. Bliss,	285	104	200	56	176	10	9	308	15	6	0	295	819	0	2,400
" Belleville,	George A. Dickey,	500	308	460	125	347	54	78	628	224	17	0	362	1,710	1,500	3,400
" Whitefield,	H. B. Packard,	135	61	175	77	58	0	0	32	7	5	0	502	604	0	1,906
New Marlboro'.	Henry R. Stevens,	m48	19	35	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	220
" Southfield,	Alvin C. Chapin	45	32	35	35	6	4	0	4	5	4	0	12	35	0	400
" Mill River,	Edw. W. Rhoades,	135	36	90	34	35	0	0	10	0	5	0	405	455	0	598
New Salem,	Rev. A. V. House,	90	60	85	14	31	0	8	7	7	1	0	0	54	0	908

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Newton 1st, Center,	1664	Edward L. Allen,	Dan'l L. Furber, *p.c. em.* Edward M. Noyes, *p.c.*	'47 '83	'47 '94	156	250	406	39	10	20	30	8	17	0	25	6	7
" 2d, West,	1781	Julius C. Clarke,	Henry J. Patrick, *p.c. em.* Theo. P. Prudden, *p. c.*	'54 '74	'60 '94	106	259	365	42	9	20	29	6	5	6	17	4	0
" Eliot,	1845	Louis C. Stanton,	William H. Davis, *p. c.*	'97	'96	228	391	619		3	22	25	11	8	0	19	1	9
" Auburndale,	1850	Henry G. Hildreth,	Calvin Cutler, *p. c. em.* Chas. M. Southgate, *p. c.*	'62 '70	'67 '95	127	256	383	80	20	16	36	3	16	6	25	9	6
" North,	1866	Charles A. Worth,	Daniel Greene, *p. c.*	'79	'92	65	106	171	85	5	2	7	0	6	0	6	0	4
" Newtonville,	1868	Wallace C. Boyden,				102	250	352	63	15	9	24	3	11	0	14	7	12
" Highlands,	1872	William A. Wood,	Charles E. Havens, *p. c.*	'81	'93	74	157	231	51	4	5	9	5	3	0	8	3	5
Norfolk,	1839	Lyman E. Ware,	Edson J. Moore, *p.*	'61	'85	18	38	56	13	3	6	9	2	4	0	6	3	3
North Adams,	1827	Edwin Barnard,	William L. Tenney, *p. c.*	'88	'95	171	365	536	18	14	9	23	8	13	90	111	3	5
Northampton, 1st,	1661	William G. Bassett,	Henry T. Rose, *p. c.*	'70	'92	109	362	471	30	3	13	16	8	3	0	11	2	7
" Edwards,	1833	Dea. S. E. Bridgman,	Peter McMillan,	'81	'99	128	324	452	92	13	3	16	12	3	0	15	4	0
" Florence,	1861	Dea. E. H. Barnard,	Elisha G. Cobb, *p. c.*	'60	'66	96	247	343	50	5	13	18	4	3	0	7	4	2
North Andover,	1834	Daniel W. Carney,	Henry E. Barnes, *p. c.*	'62	'93	107	193	300	80	4	2	6	1	7	1	9	0	1
North Attleboro', Oldtown,	1712	Miss Mary A. Mathias,	John Whitehill, *p.*	'61	'69	23	44	67	11	3	1	4	2	0	0	2	3	2
" A. Falls,	1874	Miss Ada M. Perry,				20	61	81	8	2	1	3	1	2	0	3	0	0
" Trinity,	1892	D. Sanford Hall,	Charles A. Ratcliffe, *p.*	'91	'96	22	71	93	19	3	1	4	1	1	2	4	3	1
Northboro',	1832	Miss E. V. Yates,	Albert D. Smith, *p. c.*	'88	'96	29	74	103	25	3	9	12	5	6	0	11	2	0
Northbridge Center,	1782	Dea. Joshua W. Morse,	James H. Childs, *p.*	'75	'84	26	58	84	24	1	1	2	3	0	0	3	1	1
" Whitinsville,	1834	William J. Love,	John R. Thurston, *p. c.*	'59	'71	71	160	231	42	0	1	1	5	1	1	7	2	8
" Rockdale,	1879	Mrs. H. T. Whitin,	Ernest M. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'97	'97	14	33	47	5	7	10	17	0	1	0	1	6	1
North Brookfield, 1st,	1752	Dea. A. J. Goddard,	John L. Sewall, *p. c.*	'82	'96	107	252	359	56	1	5	6	6	5	19	30	0	6
" Union,	1854	Dea. James Miller,	Joseph J. Spencer, *p. c.*	'90	'91	29	79	108	20	0	5	5	7	3	0	10	1	5
Northfield, East,	1825	Miss Mary I. Dutton,	Cyrus I. Scofield, *p.*	'83	'96	155	269	424	42	37	16	53	0	31	0	31	16	0
North Reading,	1720	Dea. Isaac A. Flint,	Eugene E. Colburn, *p.*	'75	'96	32	67	99	16	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	3	0
Norton,	1832	Miss Lucy D. Fozer,	Charles E. Harris, jr., *p.*	'94	'98	12	43	55	15	0	1	1	1	5	0	6	0	0
Norwood,	1736	Herbert M. Plympton,	Charles F. Weeden, *p. c.*	'88	'95	97	152	249	33	4	9	13	5	8	0	13	2	15
Oakham,	1767	Dea. Jessie Allen,	Allen A. Bronsdon, *p. c.*	'97	'97	32	83	115	28	5	3	8	3	2	0	5	5	0
Orange, North,	1843	Rev. John H. Garman,	William Harris,	'76	'99	8	14	22	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Central,	1846	F. D. Kellogg,	Christopher W. Collier, *p.c.*	'94	'99	104	192	296	40	5	1	6	5	7	0	12	5	1
" *Swedish*,	1891	John G. Blanquist,	John M. Henrickson, *p.*	'96	'96	44	46	90	3	2	0	2	1	5	3	9	0	12
Orleans,	1646	Orville W. Crosby,	Everett I. Rackett, *p. c.*	'94	'93	28	112	140		1	3	4	1	1	0	2	1	0
Otis,	1779	Mrs. Mary J. Somes,	[Edward J. Ruliffson, *Lic.*]		'97	19	43	62	18	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Oxford,	1721	Mrs. Emily J. Pratt,	Albert E. Bradstreet, *p.*	'88	'94	36	114	150	29	0	1	1	3	2	0	5	0	0
Palmer, Thorndike,	1730	Charles F. Smith,	George M. Gerrish, *p.*	'94	'95	28	50	78	16	9	1	10	0	4	0	4	6	21
" 2d,	1847	Orrin P. Allen,	Fosdick B. Harrison, *p. c.*	'93	'99	90	178	268	19	65	21	86	2	9	0	11	39	1
" Three Rivers,	1876	Dea. Albert S. Geer,	Charles Olmstead, *p.*	'83	'98	97	109	206	64	12	13	25	1	14	2	17	6	1
Paxton,	1767	Dea. William Brown,	[George W. Clark, *Lic.*]		'98	23	66	89	21	0	1	1	1	2	4	7	0	0
Peabody, South,	1713	Peter J. Frye,	George A. Hall, *p. c.*	'86	'86	83	220	303	57	0	2	2	7	0	0	7	0	0
" 2d,	1874	Miss Mary Tudbury,	Lewis J. Thomas, *p.*	'78	'98	21	66	87	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	2

Packardville, *see* **Pelham.** **Pawtucket**, *see* **Lowell.** **Pigeon Cove**, *see* **Rockport.**

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Newton, 1st, Cen.	Charles E. Kelsey,	340	228	256	148	2,034	796	194	2,024	412	163	71	1,603	7,299	0	7,863
" 2d, West,	Charles A. Sanders,	279	188	234		475	245	97	1,611	306	78	0	1,983	4,795	0	6,749
" Eliot,	William E. Harding,	486	327	330	121	6,495	1,981	1,001	9,979	1,436	388	459	3,233	25,072	0	13,993
" Auburndale,	J. Franklin Ryder,	247	237	225	128	2,867	123	104	1,336	269	53	67	3,459	8,278	0	6,421
" North,	William Lowry,	180	105	80	50	4	3	0	0	9	2	0	20	38	0	1,600
" Newtonville,	Chas. W. Davidson,	302	205	250	55	487	163	38	825	135	44	41	25	1,758	0	9,655
" Highlands,	Albert F. Hayward,	249	155	196	81	844	77	18	362	161	12	0	81	1,555	0	4,081
Norfolk,	Dea. Edward W. Mann,	81	40	65	31	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	45	55	0	561
North Adams,	George W Chase,	m480	365	425	53	304	41	57	534	100	35	0	660	1,731	0	5,990
Northampton, 1st	R. F. Armstrong,	260	170	360	96	723	152	151	782	508	0	97	595	3,008	0	6,469
" Edwards,	Fred H. Drury,	325	208	400	75	225	0	32	185	150	32	0	150	774	0	14,526
" Florence	Wm. O. Sania,	213	153	200	90	93	21	11	119	13	22	7	154	440	0	2,147
North Andover,	George E. Hathorne,	270	188	140	100	67	25	15	42	25	0	21	323	518	0	3,080
North Attleboro',	Rev. John Whitehill,	112	70	108	44	33	14	0	3	6	0	0	0	56	0	1,354
" A. Falls,	Rev. Martin L. Williston,	151	81	110	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,353
" Trinity,	Robert G. Sample,	120	59	90	20	21	0	0	23	0	3	0	17	64	0	1,361
Northboro',	Robert V. Carey,	181	74	96	21	64	34	26	59	34	25	9	48	299	0	1,376
Northbridge C.,	Frank E. Taft,	82	50	91	53	98	10	10	76	12	30	0	31	267	0	900
" Whitinsville,	Arthur F. Whitin,	317	203	264	79	3,357	1,454	605	2,555	1,461	641	431	3,541	14,045	0	3,077
" Rockdale,	Dea. Benjamin W Brown,	87	63	52	57	40	4	5	34	2	5	4	69	163	0	896
North Brookfield,	George W Gerry,	243	191	286	140	307	73	26	232	120	30	0	349	1,137	1,500	4,211
" Union,	Miss Ella H. Stone,	118	71	189	49	25	70	0	65	94	25	120	249	648	100	2,157
Northfield,	Ambert G. Moody,	550	225	150	46	190	0	0	295	75	0	0	10	570	0	2,869
North Reading,	Dea. J. Milton Robinson,	140	67	100	36	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	56	2,000	1,118
Norton,	Arthur E. Sweet,	50	26	65	25	336	0	0	57	36	0	0	0	429	0	1,232
Norwood,	Edward D. Baker,	328	157	350	52	210	159	18	136	143	140	0	80	886	0	13,501
Oakham,	Dea. Horace W Lincoln,	100	70	125	57	46	0	0	99	50	22	0	180	397	0	720
Orange, North,	Dea. Henry P Frye,	40	26	22	12	0	6	0	8	0	0	0	0	14	0	137
" Central,	W B. Lawton,	318	177	300	86	219	0	34	179	39	25	0	0	496	0	2,300
" *Swedish*,	Carl Engnall,	125	110	55	18	16	0	0	39	0	3	0	20	78	406	1,646
Orleans,	Freeman E. Snow, E. O.	100	65	130	28	46	0	4	69	19	11	0	88	237	0	1,095
Otis,	J. K. Adams,	m87	36	103	34	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	7	0	200
Oxford,	Dea. D. Milton Howe,	155	71	135	35	141	46	30	158	132	14	12	105	638	0	1,677
Palmer, Thorn'e,	Jason W. Miller,	80	49	75	58	31	16	0	19	6	0	0	69	141	0	1,623
" 2d,	L. H. Gayer,	264	160	230	77	43	114	24	71	98	71	9	160	590	0	2,969
" Three Rivers,	James H. Trickett,	211	134	100	95	30	50	25	38	0	9	0	95	247	0	1,457
Paxton,	Charles F. Flint,	45	38	65		31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	
Peabody, South,	Alden Rowell,	309	170		130	592	172	40	409	81	28	0	242	1,564	0	9,640
2d	William T. Wolloff,	110	60	150	50	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	9	21	0	

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City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Peabody, West,	1891	Frank K. McIntire,	Owen E. Hardy,	'94	'99	15	34	49	15	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Pelham,	1837	Mrs. Lucy E. Tillson,	[Horace C. Broughton,]		'97	8	8	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Packardville,	Enfield, '69	D. O. Chickering,	[Horace C. Broughton,]		'97	11	18	29	8	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Pepperell,	1747	Walter L. Harrison,	J. Brainerd Thrall, *p.*	'78	'97	80	162	242	34	1	5	6	6	4	0	10	0	0
Peru,	1770	Dea. Jewett H. Geer,	Albert H. Plumb,		'98	21	34	55	14	2	0	2	1	2	5	8	2	0
Petersham,	1823	Dea.. Chas. K. Wilder,	Preston R. Crowell, *p.*	'90	'97	2	23	25	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Phillipston,	1785	Mrs. Lyman B. Smith,	Preston R. Crowell, *p.*	'90	'97	21	36	57	20	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Pittsfield, 1st,	1764	Dea. H. A. Brewster,	Wm V W Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'93	157	386	543	61	8	7	15	10	11	0	21	0	8
" 2d,	1846	Mrs. Leah Gardiner,	Samuel Harrison, *p.*	'50	'72	8	24	32	5	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	3
" South,	1850	Frank E. Pierson,	I. Chipman Smart, *p. c.*	'85	'85	168	284	452	30	1	2	3	7	9	0	16	1	8
" Pilgrim Mem.,	1897	Edwin R. Burdick,	Raymond Calkins, *p. c.*	'96	'96	55	76	131	12	12	17	29	1	6	0	7	11	18
Plainfield,	1786	Dea. S. W. Clark,				31	50	81	17	1	4	5	1	3	1	5	1	0
Plymouth, Manomet,	1738	Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,	Haig Adadourian *p.*	'97	'97	18	36	54	9	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	3
" Pilgrimage,	1801	Dea. Charles F. Cole,	D. Melancthon James, *p.*	'87	'99	74	274	348	24	5	3	8	3	5	51	59	0	11
" Chiltonville,	1894	Miss L. B. Nickerson,	Frederick B. Noyes, *p.*	'90	'97	10	26	36	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Plympton,	1698	Miss B. W. Sherman,				17	56	73	20	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
Prescott,	1823	George F. Allen,				11	18	29	15	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Princeton,	1764	Miss Susie A. Davis,	Charles A. White, *p.*	'73	'88	55	128	183	40	1	7	8	0	3	0	3	1	0
Provincetown,	1714	Mrs. Mary N. Lewis,	Charles Wattie,	'96	'99	8	36	44	7	0	0	0	1	0	14	15	0	0
Quincy, Bethany,	1832	Ernest D. Gourd,	Edwin N. Hardy, *p. c.*	'90	'95	126	231	357	40	7	19	26	3	16	0	19	1	0
" Wollaston,	1876	William P. Bailey,	Edward A. Chase, *p. c.*	'84	'99	53	96	149	30	0	11	11	1	3	0	4	0	1
" Wash. st., Point,	1883	Thos. B. Pollard Q.	Edward Anderson, *p.*	'58	'98	11	34	45	6	1	1	2	1	7	0	8	1	0
" Atlantic,	1885	W F Cummings,	John H. Whitaker, *p.*	'93	'97	20	42	62	8	2	10	12	2	0	0	2	2	6
" *Swedish*,	1889	Eric Carlson,	[Chas. A. Bjornborn, *Swed. M.*]		'95	50	83	133	3	17	0	17	2	17	0	19	0	18
" Park and Downs,	1897	George E. Seeger,	Frederick T. Knight, *p.*	'97	'97	11	16	27	2	2	3	5	1	0	0	1	0	2
Randolph,	1731	William D. Leavitt,	Charles H. Hilton, *p. c.*	'71	'93	51	125	176	38	3	2	5	4	0	0	4	2	0
Raynham,	1731	E. B. King, Taunton,	Sidney K. B. Perkins, *p.*	'60	'87	13	36	49	0	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	0
" North,	1875	Willard M. Copeland,	Sidney K. B. Perkins, *p.*	'60	'87	8	21	29	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	2
Reading,	1849	Dea. Frank W. B. Pratt,	Frank S. Hunnewell, *p. c.*	'88	'98	126	340	466	89	11	14	25	7	4	5	16	7	7
Rehoboth,	1721	Miss E B. Pierce,	Charles B. Wathen *p.*	'83	'96	43	83	126	35	2	0	2	2	1	14	17	1	1
Revere, 1st,	1828	George A. Dalrymple,	Walter S. Eaton, *p. c.*	'91	'92	60	107	167	35	6	7	13	2	8	0	10	2	6
" Beachmont,	1881	A. B. Palmer				20	48	68	0	6	11	17	1	9	1	11	4	6
Richmond,	1765	Henry L. Salmon,	T. Clair Luce, *p. c.*	'85	'91	41	70	111	7	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	0
Rochester, 1st,	1703	John S. Ryder	John H. Quint, *p.*	'98	'98	14	42	56	13	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
" North,	1753	George H. Randall,	Vaola J. Hartshorne, *p.*	'65	'98	12	17	29	7	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
E., W. Wareham,	1887	George P. Morse,	Alonzo T. Lamb, *p.*	'93	'96	32	48	80	16	3	1	4	0	1	0	1	1	0
Rockland,	1813	Joshua S. Smith,	Fred H. Allen, *p.*	'74	'95	97	194	291	46	0	6	6	3	2	0	5	1	9
Rockport, 1st,	1755	Calvin W. Pool,	Israel Ainsworth, *p. c.*	'80	'91	49	162	211	25	0	0	0	4	3	0	7	0	1
" Pigeon Cove,	1874	Mrs. C. S. Hale,	Arthur H. Pingree, *p.*	'98	'98	9	38	47	9	1	0	1	1	0	3	4	1	0
" *Swedish*,	1892	John M. Landergren,	[Peter A. Johnson, *Lic.*]		'96	15	17	32	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	2
Rowley,	1639	Benjamin P. Mighill,	David Fraser, jr., *p.*	'95	'98	39	115	154	20	0	2	2	1	3	0	4	0	0
Royalston,	1766	Dea. Frank W. Adams,	Francis J. Fairbanks, *p. c.*	'64	'93	33	71	104	29	1	2	3	2	2	0	4	1	0
" South,	1837	Jeremiah A. Rich,	James A. Bates, *p.*	'60	'98	21	42	63	22	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	0
Rutland,	1727	Dea. Wm. C. Temple,	Sidney Crawford, *p.*	'70	'93	76	107	183	41	1	1	2	7	7	0	14	1	6

Rockdale, *see* Northbridge. Roxbury, *see* Boston. Saundersville, *see* Grafton.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Peabody,	A. W. Felt,	80	56	90	30	5	0	5	5	0	5	0	5	25	0	541
Pelham,	H. C. Broughton,	15	13	15	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	96
" Packardville,	John Knight,	50	27	20	20	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	5	0	127
Pepperell,	L. C. Blood,	236	112		74	167	0	32	108	57	21	0	24	409	0	1,945
Peru,	Dea. Jewett H. Geer,	46	37	35	30	39	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	46	0	325
Petersham,	Augustus Skinner,	35	25	20	16	20	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	37	0	280
Phillipston,	Lyman B. Smith,	28	28	33	28	0	6	0	7	0	8	0	0	21	25	374
Pittsfield, 1st,	William C. Stevenson,	449	284	475	90	623	120	100	1,284	261	50	35	2,459	4,932	8,200	7,657
" 2d,	Mrs. Leah Gardiner,	45	15	30	29	0	0	0	5	2	1	0	3	11	0	300
" South,	Edward Tolman,	330	220	125	0	58	20	15	40	60	15	12	200	420	0	4,000
" Pilgrim M.,	Rev. Raymond Calkins,	240	150	125	47	4	2	2	9	6	2	2	67	94	0	1,400
Plainfield,	J. A. Winslow,	81	43	75	0	0	0	0	9	7	3	0	4	23	100	460
Plymouth, Man.,	Seth S. Bartlett,	80	45	85	24	2	0	3	11	3	0	0	0	19	100	600
" Pilgrimage,	William B. Welche,	240	183		113	96	8	8	169	48	10	0	25	364	0	3,650
" Chiltonville,	Mrs. Clarke Finney, Ply'outh	45	20	50	14	40	7	5	50	10	10	5	0	127	0	1,195
Plympton,	Dea. J. Fred. Ellis,	80	40	125	38	33	1	1	26	6	3	1	5	76	0	862
Prescott,	G. F. Allen,	27	19	32	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	159
Princeton,	W.M.Roper, jr., E.Hubbardston					269	150	13	92	87	13	0	90	714	0	1,500
Provincetown,	James E. Rich,	65	40	45	0	0	0	3	17	0	5	0	0	25	0	943
Quincy, Beth.,	E. W. Branch,	479	284	400	115	160	90	61	276	63	40	62	1,210	1,962	0	4,867
" Wollaston,	Charles A. Campbell,	160	120		58	282	0	87	69	56	25	0	623	1,142	0	3,905
" Wash'gton st.,	Charles H. Sherburne,	130	75	150	36	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	31	46	250	1,333
" Atlantic,	Walter F. Blake,	80	60	100	30	1	0	0	40	0	0	0	31	71	0	1,500
" *Swedish*,	Charles Leander,	125	110		30	7	0	0	38	7	0	0	168	220	380	1,218
" Pk. & Downs,						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	715
Randolph,	M. W. Baker,	142	68		61	209	41	72	356	174	5	0	148	1,005	0	2,900
Raynham,	Rev. Sidney K. B. Perkins,	82	37	73	16	18	12	0	13	14	0	0	22	79	0	750
" North,	Dea. William Palmer,	45	26	71	14	2	0	0	3	0	2	0	2	9	0	337
Reading,	Albin K Parker	465	264	325	174	275	66	66	539	119	0	33	480	1,578	0	4,240
Rehoboth,	Henry T Horton,	120	60	80	37	7	0	10	5	5	0	0	14	41	0	1,100
Revere, 1st,	Charles A Newton,	175	100	200	104	24	0	0	32	10	0	0	40	106	0	2,300
" Beachmont,	E. C. Anderson,	134	99			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,100
Richmond,	A. G. Kilts,	125	66	68	73	97	4	3	33	49	13	0	17	216	0	1,524
Rochester, 1st,	George B. Haskell,	54	31	75	28	74	0	0	0	46	0	0	22	142	0	950
" North,	George H. Gerrish,	35	28	30	15	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	5	20	0	231
" East,	Donald Beaton,	80	40	55	51	8	0	0	45	0	0	0	0	53	0	450
Rockland,	Clarence E. Rice,	400	187	270	75	95	10	10	55	35	2	10	55	272	0	3,662
Rockport, 1st,	Henry C. Davis,	184	120	220	98	63	6	19	110	12	33	7	176	426	0	2,131
" Pig. Cove,	Thomas Whigham,	50	31	36	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
" *Swedish*,	Peter Johnson,	58	33			0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Rowley,	Willard P. Smith,	105	64	107	41	51	0	7	96	16	0	11	48	229	0	1,828
Royalston,	Frank W. Adams,	115	67	85	31	85	0	0	112	0	8	0	0	205	0	1,025
" South,	Alfred R. Hale,	63	34	89	20	20	0	0	3	18	3	0	20	67	0	600
Rutland,	E. W. Ward,	180	79	120	70	55	0	0	58	12	25	0	0	150	0	1,250

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Salem, Tabernacle,	1735	**Ezra L. Woodbury,**	**DeWitt S. Clark,** *p. c.*	68	'79	84	297	381	40	9	10	19	10	2	3	15	5	3
" South,	1735	Charles H. Hayward,	James F. Brodie, *p. c.*	'82	'89	62	192	254	47	8	4	12	10	7	0	17	5	2
" Crombie st.	1832	Henry J. Pratt,	John W. Buckham, *p. c.*	'88	'90	49	157	206	33	3	1	4	2	3	0	5	2	4
Sandisfield,	1756	Mrs. Sarah J. Hawley,				10	32	42	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **New Boston,**	1874	E.R.Ingham, Montville,				11	33	44	13	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	3	0
Sandwich,	1638	Dea. S. R. Bourne,	**Fred K. Ellsworth,** *p.*	'98	'99	40	86	126	9	2	0	2	1	6	0	7	0	0
Saugus,	1732	**John E. Stocker,**	John C. Labaree, *p.*	'61	'93	15	49	64	18	9	5	14	2	1	0	3	4	2
" **Cliftondale,**	1888	**Mrs. A. B. Smith,**	W.ShermanThompson,*p.c.*	'91	'96	22	81	103	9	9	12	21	0	0	0	0	2	4
Scituate, Center,	1639	**Miss Mary F. Perry,**	Seelye Bryant, *p. c.*	'90	'96	25	62	87	7	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	2	2
Seekonk,	1888	**Mrs. James Knapp,**				15	13	28	4	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	3	0
Sharon,	1741	**Dea. S. W. Billings,**	**Almon J. Dyer,** *p. c.*	'86	'97	39	83	122	17	1	5	6	2	2	0	4	0	0
Sheffield,	1735	**Dea. D. Boardman,**	**Evarts W. Pond,** *p. c.*	'95	'96	37	98	135	17	0	0	0	2	2	2	6	0	1
Shelburne,	1770	**Dea. L. G. Alvord,**	Joseph A. Goodrich, *p.*	'96	'96	66	118	184	20	2	0	2	0	6	5	11	1	1
" **Falls,**	1850	**Charles H. Ball,**	William A. Bacon, *p. c.*	'95	'99	44	135	179	26	4	4	8	1	9	0	10	2	1
Sherborn,	1685	**Dea. L. Coolidge,**	Edmund Dowse, *p. c.*	'38	'38	36	81	117	34	5	5	10	4	2	0	6	2	2
Shirley,	1828	**Rev. Joseph Torrey,**	**Joseph Torrey,** *p.*	'60	'93	31	70	101	28	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	0
Shrewsbury,	1723	**Charles O. Greene,**	Edward A. Lathrop, *p.*	'95	'95	21	80	101	6	5	2	7	6	4	0	10	5	0
Shutesbury,	1742	Dea. N. A. Briggs,	[Alfred J. Sadler],		'98	18	42	60	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somerset,	1861	Rev. Thomas F. Norris,				16	34	50	25	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
Somerville, 1st,	1855	G. A. Southworth,	**Robert W. Wallace,** *p. c.*	'72	'97	97	226	323	59	4	7	11	8	8	0	16	3	5
" Broadway,	1864	Frank E. Hodgkins,	Horace H. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'94	146	251	397	35	10	22	32	5	5	0	10	2	5
" West,	1874	A. J. Whittemore, W. S.	Peter MacQueen, *p. c.*	'91	'93	109	214	323	0	5	19	24	2	2	0	4	2	10
" Prospect Hill,	1874	John L. Ambrose,	Edward S. Tead, *p. c.*	'78	'84	115	218	333	0	4	5	9	3	9	24	36	1	5
" Winter Hill,	1883	**Edwin A. Stone,**	Charles L. Noyes, *p. c.*	'81	'82	76	147	223	12	7	4	11	3	2	0	5	5	8
" Highland,	1894	**George T. Failey,**	George S. Anderson, *p.*	'91	'94	40	86	126	6	11	9	20	0	3	0	3	0	6
Southampton,	1743	**Henry L. Parsons,**	John Cowan, *p.*	'75	'97	55	105	160	30	0	2	2	8	0	0	8	0	3
Southboro,	1831	**H. A. McMaster,**	**Martin F. Mevis,** *p.*	'93	'93	27	68	95	29	5	2	7	1	1	1	3	2	1
" **Southville,**	1865	**Miss Annie E Pearl,**	**Martin F. Mevis,** *p.*	'93	'95	14	23	37	6	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	0
Southbridge,	1801	**Rev. W A. Hadley**	**Willis A. Hadley,** *p. c.*	'78	'97	72	128	200	42	3	12	15	4	2	0	6	2	3
South Hadley,	1733	**Calvin Preston**	**Arthu B Patten** *p. c.*	'94	'97	73	209	282	59	10	8	18	7	6	0	13	9	4
" **Falls,**	1824	**Dea. Arthur N Chapin,**	**Richard L. Swain,** *p. c.*	'84	'94	75	186	261	67	4	2	6	2	5	0	7	3	4
Southwick,	1773	**Edward M. Gillett,**	**Harry O. Hannum,** *p. c.*	'96	'96	28	53	81	15	0	4	4	2	0	0	2	0	0
Spencer,	1744	**Dea. Geo. H. Marsh,**	**Sherman W. Brown,** *p. c.*	'93	'93	129	264	393	58	26	13	39	6	8	0	14	13	6
Springfield, 1st,	1637	**A. L. Janes,**	**Frank L. Goodspeed,** *p. c.*	'87	'94	316	726	1042	144	15	56	71	15	25	3	43	8	8
" Olivet,	1833	**Dea. James B. Roberts,**	**Edwin H. Hadlock,**	'93	'99	50	224	274	30	2	0	2	5	4	7	16	0	1
" South,	1842	**W. A. Lincoln,**	**Philip S. Moxom,** *p. c.*	'71	'94	150	327	477	80	9	11	20	15	7	0	22	3	2
" North,	1846	**Ralph P. Alden,**	**Newton M. Hall,**	'91	'99	144	315	459	76	5	4	9	6	23	7	36	2	6
" Ind. Orchard,	1848	**William Neild,**				71	109	180	40	3	4	7	7	1	0	8	2	5
" Hope,	1876	**George H. Munroe,**	**Samuel H. Woodrow,** *p. c.*	'88	'98	306	352	658	59	5	36	41	5	24	12	41	2	3
" *French*,	1886	**J. W. Witty,**	**Thomas S. St. Aubin,** *p. c.*	'93	'97	15	14	29	3	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	4
" Eastern av.,	1888	**Frederick B. Miller,**				61	94	155	21	1	2	3	1	12	11	24	0	4
" Emmanuel,	1888	**Rev. D. L. Kebbe,**	**David L. Kebbe,** *p. c.*	'91	'95	22	50	72	10	3	6	9	2	1	0	3	2	2
" Park,	1889	**John G. Woods,**	**Allen E. Cross,** *p. c.*	'92	'96	53	93	146	16	4	11	15	3	3	0	6	2	1
" St. John's,	1890	**John H. Burr,**	**William N. DeBerry,** *p. c.*	'99	'99	41	75	116	18	8	2	10	2	3	2	7	1	5

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Salem, Tab'cle,	Frederick A. Fuller,	535	332	310	176	625	119	48	792	175	178	43	363	2,343	500	5,350
" South,	Frank H. Sargent,	301	217	247	60	719	50	20	368	111	48	0	541	1,857	0	0
" Crombie st.	Arthur F. Smith,	158	87	160	64	198	10	0	135	171	29	10	260	813	0	3,000
Sandisfield,	L. A. Hawley,	25	18	25	11	5	0	0	3	2	0	0	4	14	0	90
"	John A. Northway,	65	20	70	29	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	10	16	0	200
Sandwich,	E. S. Talbot, M. D.,	m85	57		35	54	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	56	0	1,000
Saugus,	John E. Stocker,	135	75	85	35	72	0	0	116	22	0	0	26	236	0	922
" Clift'd'e,	Edward T. Harwood,	197	113	150	81	50	3	8	115	7	0	4	0	187	0	2,275
Scituate,		90	57	90	38	52	0	0	52	0	0	0	0	104	50	1,100
Seekonk,	D. S. Peck,	76		32	24	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	4	0	189
Sharon,	Sanford W. Billings,	174	93	90	60	64	10	0	176	60	20	0	91	421	0	2,425
Sheffield,	Dea. R. F. Little,	106	66	100	60	97	20	0	106	8	7	0	10	248	0	1,400
Shelburne	Zera H. Fiske,	195	103	85	65	161	5	16	53	42	8	4	205	494	0	1,279
" Falls,	E. T. Stockwell,	146	108	153	61	75	9	7	52	39	6	7	64	259	0	1,440
Sherborn,	Elijah C. Barber,	m120	100	100	40	0	5	3	85	5	7	0	75	180	0	1,400
Shirley,	Erwin H. Livermore,	114	49	65	85	26	0	10	43	13	10	0	14	116	0	1,037
Shrewsbury,	Rev. Edward A. Lathrop,	144	63	125	62	82	31	10	38	24	0	7	96	288	1,100	2,200
Shutesbury,	Dea. N. A. Briggs,	38	19	35	13	25	0	0	25	0	0	0	14	64	0	290
Somerset,	F. A. Morrill,	105	40	71	25	25	0	3	7	0	3	0	8	46	0	789
Somerville, 1st,	George A. Southworth,	482	228	350	131	214	13	10	317	30	25	0	457	1,066	0	6,165
" Broadway,	Charles J. Hooper,	485	299	325	94	391	12	27	450	26	17	9	1,400	2,332	0	9,000
" West,	W. C. Stickel,	327				38	0	0	39	38	0	0	0	115	0	3,717
" Prospect Hill,	S. Gardner Higgins,	400	303	300	130	67	40	30	38	84	18	0	464	741	0	6,833
" Winter Hill,	John Herbert,	240	170	100	102	250	20	41	219	165	5	10	885	1,595	0	4,800
" Highland,	Arthur F. Breed,	301	151	200	35	5	0	0	69	12	14	0	110	210	0	2,579
Southampton,	E. K. Parsons,	122	71	92	18	111	8	10	165	52	19	14	34	413	0	1,300
Southboro,	H. A. McMaster,	80	51	50	0	17	0	0	0	23	8	0	18	66	0	1,332
" Southville,	Frank A. Pearl,	28	20	30	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	219
Southbridge,	Alva L. Hyde,	210	61	125	74	85	20	4	54	21	0	0	49	233	0	3,936
South Hadley,	C. E. Preston,	194	127	175	94	894	26	16	255	90	16	7	177	1,481	0	4,172
" Falls,	Henry E. Judd,	236	173	240	100	97	56	39	204	140	16	20	158	730	0	2,900
Southwick,	W. B. Harding,	76	31	71	40	2	3	0	9	2	3	0	31	50	0	891
Spencer,	Victor H. Morse,	459	245	440	134	613	38	106	285	145	107	3	603	1,900	0	5,431
Springfield, 1st,	Milton A. Dixon,	1,137	428	1,004	139	1,273	2,338	142	3,514	245	54	0	3,041	10,607	0	19,500
" Olivet,	E. G. Bates,	150	107	220	100	458	15	35	279	81	32	11	125	1,036	0	2,941
" South,	George D. Chamberlain,	270	185	250	50	1,186	735	93	1,042	247	76	108	2,551	6,038	200	12,186
" North,	Walter A. Brown,	246	148	125	116	290	57	55	291	103	62	59	304	1,221	0	5,970
" Indian Orch.,	James Greenaway,	225	144	150	92	84	5	0	29	33	0	0	271	422	0	1,700
" Hope,	Z. W. Kemp,	689	413	560	137	595	264	0	640	193	164	0	1,168	3,024	0	7,978
" *French*,	Gustave Miohaud,	28	15	20	0	10	0	0	5	0	1	0	5	21	0	233
" Eastern av.,	D. F. Graham,	310	212	100	60	0	0	0	10	10	0	0	40	60	0	20,008
" Emmanuel,	John W. Ewig,	176	82	100	40	13	0	0	2	2	3	0	2	22	0	1,085
" Park,	Charles Jacobus,	295	140	150	72	135	25	0	178	17	19	22	168	564	0	5,580
" St. John's,	Edward A. Treadwell,	120	69	48	100	4	0	0	5	11	0	0	18	38	0	884

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Springfield, *Swedish*,	1891	Fred Anderson,	Gustaf Lindstrom, *p. c.*	'98	'98	20	40	60	4	6	9	15	0	1	5	6	0	4
" Faith,	1894	Arthur C. Eddy,	Harry C. Meserve, *p. c.*	'94	'93	40	101	141	10	2	13	15	2	3	0	5	0	5
Sterling,	1852	Rev. George H. Pratt,	George H. Pratt, *p.*	'66	'93	17	55	72	8	0	2	2	1	3	0	4	0	0
Stockbridge,	1734	Charles A. Bidwell,	Charles S. Rich, *p. c.*	'96	'96	74	146	220	34	9	4	13	1	3	0	4	7	7
" Curtisville,	1824	Edward L. Heath,	[Edward C. Sedgewick, *Lic.*]		'97	32	48	80	15	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0
Stoneham,	1729	Dea. O. W. Richardson,	Charles E. Beals, *p. c.*	'94	'94	93	211	304	80	6	10	16	5	5	0	10	3	5
Stoughton,	1799	Miss Mattie S. Sawyer,	Henry E. Bray,	'89	'89	38	86	124	34	5	2	7	0	2	0	2	2	1
Sturbridge,	1736	Dea. John F. Hebard, *a*	Augustus M. Rice, *p.*	'73	'93	28	72	100	28	0	3	3	5	2	0	7	0	2
Sudbury, South,	1640	Dea. F. F. Walker,	Clarence W. Rouse, *p. c.*	'90	'94	58	105	163	26	3	10	13	5	3	0	8	1	1
Sunderland,	1718	Miss A. T. Montague,	Edward P. Butler, *p. c.*	'74	'89	94	134	228	23	2	2	4	3	8	1	12	2	4
Sutton,	1720	Clinton S. White,	John C. Hall, *p. c.*	'90	'91	46	102	148	39	8	0	8	2	0	0	2	4	3
Swampscott,	1846	Barnet W. Redfern,	D. Emery Burtner, *p.*	'90	'98	25	105	130	14	2	19	21	2	2	0	4	0	0
Taunton, West,	1637	Mrs. W. Chase, jr.,	[Abram L. Bean, *Christ'n,*]	'92	'98	15	31	46	8	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	0
" Trinitarian,	1821	Dea. C. E. Walker,	Francis A. Fate, *p. c.*	'94	'98	79	196	275	38	0	4	4	5	2	0	7	0	1
" Winslow,	1837	Dea. Geo. W. Andros,	S. Hopkins Emery, *p. c. em.* / T. Clayton Welles, *p. c.*	'37 / '72	'46 / '92	92	215	307	21	5	3	8	2	3	0	5	1	2
" East,	1853	Charles W. King,	Halah H. Loud, *p.*	'97	'97	20	43	63	20	6	5	11	0	1	0	1	4	4
" Union,	1868	Frank R. Knox,	Frank L. Luce, *p. c.*	'95	'97	49	153	202	29	4	2	6	2	7	0	9	1	3
Templeton,	1832	Dea. John M. Brown,	Gabriel B. Kambour, *p. c.*	'93	'93	29	57	86	22	0	2	2	4	0	0	4	0	1
" Baldwinville,	1874	Miss M. B. Raymond,	John W. Hird, *p. c.*	'79	'89	44	77	121	18	0	3	3	0	2	2	4	0	1
Tewksbury,	1735	Mrs. E. J. Taylor,	J. Herbert Yeoman, *p.*	'77	'99	39	80	119	18	3	0	3	4	4	0	8	1	1
Tolland,	1797	Wellington F. Hale,	Samuel B. Andrews, *p.*	'68	'97	14	22	36	5	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Topsfield,	1663	Miss A. F. Ferguson,				46	98	144	29	6	1	7	2	1	0	3	3	1
Townsend,	1734	Miss Emma F. Gates,	Lyman Mevis, *p.*	'91	'98	32	98	130	40	2	0	2	4	7	0	11	0	2
Truro,	1711	Dea. Daniel E. Paine,				9	21	30	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" North,	1840	Mrs. Benj. Coan,	[Arthur H. Scudder, *Lic. Meth.*]		'96	0	7	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Tyngsboro,	1868	Dea. John P. Coburn,	Sarah A. Dixon, *p.*		'97	21	45	66	17	7	5	12	1	1	0	2	5	8
Upton,	1735	Miss Olive M. Johnson,	Alexander Wiswall, *p. c.*	'79	'92	45	170	215	34	7	5	12	9	3	0	12	5	2
Uxbridge,	1730	Dr. W. L. Johnson,	Frank L. Bristol, *p. c.*	'75	'88	29	103	132	28	0	0	0	4	1	1	6	0	4
Wakefield,	1645	John W. White,	Albert P. Davis, *p. c.*	'94	'94	155	319	474	89	8	4	12	7	4	0	11	3	0
Walpole,	1826	S. E. Bentley,				50	148	98	40	7	0	7	1	7	0	8	6	0
" East,	1877	Miss Sarah E. Pettee,	Benjamin F. Perkins, *p.*	'65	'97	9	18	27	3	0	1	1	1	1	4	6	0	4
Waltham,	1820	C. W. Durgin,	Charles E. Harrington, *p. c.*	'74	'94	187	410	597	164	3	15	18	3	10	1	14	3	1
" *Swedish*,	1892	Alfred Anderson,	Carl A. Lundgren, *p.*	'93	'96	15	41	56	2	3	4	7	0	2	4	6	0	3
Ware,	1751	Miss M. R. Howard,	Edward L. Chute, *p.*	'80	'96	16	49	65	12	3	1	4		1	0	2	1	0
" East,	1826	Henry K. Hyde,	Austin B. Bassett, *p. c.*	'87	'91	138	323	461	73	20	8	28	5	17	0	22	11	6
" *French*,	1887	Dea. A. B. Simoneau,	James G. Knotter, *p.*	'96	'98	8	8	16	0	0	2	2	0	0	10	10	0	0
Wareham,	1739	Harriet E. Smith,				18	47	65	20	2	2	4	4	0	1	5	1	0
Warren, 1st,	1743	Eugene F. Wood,	William B. Oleson, *p. c.*	'77	'98	100	183	283	75	1	1	2	4	20	6	30	0	0
" West,	1806	Dea. Milton Dickson,				7	16	23	11	0	0	0			0	2	0	0
Warwick,	1829	Dea. Edw. C. Chase,	William Harris, *p.*	'76	'99	18	32	50	9	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Watertown,	1855	Arthur Stockin,	Edward C. Porter, *p. c.*	'84	'89	104	205	309	50	4	11	15	5	4	0	9	2	10

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	For. ign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Springfield, *Sw.*,	Miss Mathilda Salem,	20	20	22	23	10	0	0	3	0	0	0	13	26	0	760
" Faith,	Enos E. Penny,	153	82	135	0	13	30	0	31	43	0	0	190	307	180	1,971
Sterling,	Arthur S. Wilder,	125	49	72	53	31	0	6	64	24	12	0	74	211	0	1,190
Stockbridge,	Clarence H. Perry,	m155	99	90	60	137	13	0	98	80	0	11	163	502	0	2,971
" Cur.	Frank A. Palmer,	90	60	40	25	48	25	41	60	9	8	0	0	191	0	450
Stoneham,	Dea. Dexter C. Sears,	348	167	320	128	116	8	21	452	20	11	1	285	914	1,660	3,012
Stoughton,	John A. Comstock,	225	84	200		0	0	0	0	4	4	0	21	29	0	1,449
Sturbridge,	John F. Hebard, Fiskdale,	81	44	74	32	116	5	6	81	27	24	0	0	259	0	1,175
Sudbury,	F. F. Walker,	100	63	97	25	28	7	10	157	20	17	16	0	255	6,100	1,693
Sunderland,	Frank O. Williams,	167	116	102	77	128	54	54	214	101	29	0	140	720	0	2,262
Sutton,	Dexter A. Brigham,	119	64	145	27	39	15	13	88	19	18	2	69	263	0	1,050
Swampscott,	Barnet W. Redfern,	185	99	210	60	179	5	12	70	35	33	5	26	365	0	2,280
Taunton, West,	Lewis P. Luther,	80	35	50	42	9	0	0	0	2	4	0	2	17	0	1,510
" Trin.,	Frederick E. Austin,	315	157	280	146	321	98	36	331	131	25	0	845	1,787	0	4,891
" Winslow,	Henry W. Atkins,	457	236	250	150	130	18	41	150	45	27	5	200	616	0	4,000
" East,	Walter H. Ashley,	53	31	80	32	27	2	2	2	2	12	0	35	82	1,000	7,450
" Union,	William F Rose,	241	176	250	99	71	5	5	39	18	2	2	263	405	0	4,010
Templeton,	Frank E. Johnson,	75	38	52	38	15	0	0	14	19	9	0	46	103	0	850
" Baldwinville,	Rector Harkins Reed,	245	167	120	73	0	0	0	35	0	25	0	410	470	0	5,000
Tewksbury,	Irving M. Locke,	127	65	135	50	50	15	8	5	0	36	0	3	117	0	1,173
Tolland,	Mrs. Hattie E. Hale,	40	30	19	0	0	0	0	27	0	10	0	25	62	0	185
Topsfield,	Albert M. Dodge,	105	62	125	72	73	5	2	20	5	0	0	118	223	0	1,900
Townsend,	Albert S. Howard,	202	99		0	88	12	6	48	20	17	0	0	191	0	
Truro,	John B. Dyer,	50	30	34	0	10	0	0	10	5	5	0	9	39	0	330
" North,	Mrs. Elizabeth M. Dutton,	60	48	50	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	20	0	675
Tyngsboro,	Mrs. M. Louise Blanchard,	100	67	75	55	12	0	5	5	0	6	0	24	52	0	1,631
Upton,	Appleton P Willi ms,	250	120	200	70	77	9	9	19	18	4	4	229	369	0	1,457
Uxbridge,	Rev Frank L. Bristol,	225	146	176	90	45	4	17	48	26	17	2	21	180	0	1,757
Wakefield,	John W White,	533	304	350	207	376	127	33	448	114	33	0	241	1,372	0	5,550
Walpole,	Gilman F. Allen,	210	134	150	80	115	31	9	312	40	44	20		571	0	2,103
" East,	J. L. Boyden, Norwood,	85	40	100	26	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	6	0	767
Waltham,	Marshall J. Mosher,	550	298	426	148	369	45	21	160	137	39	21	301	1,093	0	5,000
" *Swedish*,	Victor Landström,	30		12	30	0	0	5	8	0	0	0	26	39	0	907
Ware,	Rev. E L. Chute,	86	49	55	27	31	7	10	0	17	8	0	20	93	0	1,000
" East,	H. E. Fisher,	408	295	315	135	888	407	134	1,282	300	67	0	335	3,413	0	3,800
" *French*,	Rev. James G. Knotter,	16	12	10	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	10	0	125
Wareham,	John Freeman,	158	69	105	31	10	0	10	5	20	0	0	2	47	0	1,650
Warren, 1st,	William H. Warren,	253	117	190	25	288	38	39	479	118	37	0	61	1,060	0	2,860
" West,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warwick,	Dea. W E. Blackmer, No. Orange,	50	40	38	30	5	0	0	10	3	3	0	10	31	0	425
Watertown,	Orlendo W. Dimick,	202	112	175	64	268	0	110	415	157	64	0	783	1,797	0	

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Wayland,	1828	F. H. Fowler,	Benjamin C. Wood, *p.*	'94	'98	16	32	48	15	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Webster,	1838	Dea. E. L. Spalding,				73	150	223	47	1	1	2	2	2	0	4	0	2
Wellesley,	1798	Wm. H. Blood, jr.,	Edward H Chandler, *p. c.*	'92	'97	85	186	271	63	2	6	8	4	9	2	15	1	0
" Hills,	1847	T. Wallace Travis,	Parris T Farwell *p. c.*	'83	'95	38	86	124	14	2	7	9	2	2	0	4	0	4
Wellfleet,	1723	Dea. Simeon Atwood,	Egbert N Munroe,	'81	'99	46	109	155	53	0	4	4	4	2	0	6	0	0
" South,	1833	Winslow Paine,				14	34	48	12	0	0	0	2	0	2	4	0	0
Wendell,	1774	Mrs. Ellen L. Baker,	Edward P. Seymour, *p.*	'92	'96	17	25	42	7	0	9	9	0	2	0	2	0	0
Wenham,	1663	Benj. H. Conant,	Morris H. Turk, *p.*	'98	'98	24	53	77	22	3	2	5	2	3	0	5	3	0
Westboro,	1724	Otis K. Newton,	Merle A. Breed, *p.*	'93	'95	123	257	380	75	2	10	12	10	25	31	66	2	12
West Boylston,	1796	Dea. E. B. Rice, Greendale,	Samuel A. Harlow, *p.*	'82	'96	30	68	98	32	0	1	1	4	2	0	6	0	0
West Brookfield,	1717	C. E. Smith,				51	136	187	40	0	3	3	6	2	0	8	0	0
Westfield, 1st,	1679	Rev. J. H. Lockwood,	John H. Lockwood, *p. c.*	'71	'79	115	362	477	55	13	6	19	8	9	0	17	4	3
" 2d,	1856	Albert E. Saunders,				123	293	416	78	0	3	3	8	5	0	13	0	3
Westford,	1828	Leonard W Wheeler,	Elijah H. Roper, *p.*	'97	'97	18	54	72	19	4	1	5	1	1	7	9	1	7
Westhampton,	1779	Frederick H. Judd,	Arthur C. Townsend, *p. c.*	'91	'91	89	126	215	39	2	1	3	4	2	0	6	1	1
Westminster,	1742	James B. Wood	John W. Lees, *p.*	'70	'95	47	103	150	24	0	0	0	3	4	1	8	0	0
West Newbury, 1st,	1698	G. S. Goodrich,	Chalmer H. Cooledge, *p.*	'83	'98	38	74	112	11	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
" 2d,	1731	Miss Emily A. Bailey,	Charles F. Clarke, *p.*	'92	'98	17	91	108	32	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	0
Weston,	1891	Mrs. Ella J Fuller,	George A. Matthews,	'95	'99	8	14	22	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Westport,	1858	Susan E. Gammons,	George P. Byington,	'68	'99	11	31	42	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
West Springfield,	1698	Dea. J. M. Smith,	Sidney K. Perkins, *p.*	'80	'93	36	81	117	27	3	0	3	1	5	0	6	3	0
" Mittineague,	1850	Eugene H. Shepard,	Alpheus M. Spangler, *p. c.*	'88	'90	95	145	240	50	3	16	19	1	7	0	8	0	11
" Park st.,	1871	Ethan Brooks,	William H. Webb, *p.*	'61	'98	53	113	166	20	2	0	2	3	5	0	8	0	2
West Stockbridge, Center,	1789	Mrs. H. A. Roberts,	Walter W. Curtis,	'72	'90	6	16	22	6	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
" Village,	1833	Cyrus W Sprague,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'83	27	72	99	18	3	0	3	2	0	0	2	1	0
West Tisbury,	1673	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Royal C. Moodie, *p.*	'81	'99	32	73	105	22	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Westwood, Islington,	1878	Marcus L. Hoye,	Warren F. Bickford. *p.*	'76	'91	5	17	22	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Weymouth, 1st, Heights,	1623	Wm. E. Humphrey,	Robert R. Kendall, *p. c.*	'78	'91	25	66	91	21	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0
" Old South, South,	1723	Alfred O. Crawford,	Henry C. Alvord, *p. c.*	'79	'86	39	103	142	37	0	0	0	5	1	0	6	0	1
" and Braintree.	1811	Miss J. Macgregor, E. B.	Henry S. Snyder, *p.*	'85	'97	30	123	153	29	5	4	9	3	2	1	6	5	0
" Union, South,	1842	Samuel A. Vining,	Frank E. Butler, *p.*	'87	'96	48	123	171	30	2	0	2	1	5	0	6	2	1
" Pilgrim, North,	1852	Dea. Wilson E. Bean,	Thomas H. Vincent, *p.*	'89	'97	45	92	137		0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" East,	1860	Charles B. Cushing,	Francis A. Poole, *p. c.*	'93	'99	91	157	248	45	8	1	9	2	0	0	2	7	3
Whately,	1771	Charles H. Waite,	George L. Dickinson, *p. c.*	'76	'90	54	97	151	36	1	0	1	4	1	0	5	1	0
Whitman,	1807	Benjamin F. Peterson,	Edward C. Camp, *p.*	'94	'99	76	172	248	39	2	1	3	1	2	9	12	1	4
Wilbraham,	1741	Dea. F. E. Clark,	Martin S. Howard, *p. c.*	'56	'68	51	77	128	46	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	2	0
" North,	1886	Edwin W. Wall,	Henry B. Mason, *p. c.*	'92	'96	21	45	66	13	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1
Williamsburg,	1771	Dea. H. W. Hill,	John Pierpont, *p. c.*	'88	'97	69	148	217	44	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	2	1
" Haydenville,	1851	Henry C. Smith,	George H. Buck, *p.*	'94	'94	41	103	144	29	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	Carleton G. Smith,	Willis H. Butler, *p. c.*	'98	'98	102	225	327	95	5	5	10	3	6	0	9	2	0
" College,	1834	Prof. O. M. Fernald,				10	9	19	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" South,	1836	Miss Kate L. Torrey,				15	40	55	12	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	3	1

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Wayland,	William S. Lovell,	45	25	50	23	2	0	0	10	0	0	0	9	21	0	1,050
Webster,	Ralph Larchar,	236	150	175	30	256	155	42	166	59	22	50	111	861	0	2,200
Wellesley,	Charles E. Fuller,	240	123	190	109	414	44	39	352	77	12	6	36	980	0	4,846
" Hills,	T. Wallace Travis,	139	80	129	60	1,146	32	7	154	263	25	0	158	1,786	0	3,096
Wellfleet,	Fred. W. Snow,	98	57	93	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	1,200
" South,	Miss Nettie S. Paine,	45	19	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	11	0	300
Wendell,	Fred E. Davis,	62	34	55	49	4	1	5	9	2	4	0	7	32	0	362
Wenham,	Fred A. Williams,	136	72	140	66	34	6	8	21	6	2	0	44	121	0	1,185
Westboro,	Elliot F. Denham,	200	172	285	60	113	26	53	56	74	49	13	390	774	0	2,803
West Boylston,	Herbert A. Holmes,	60	37	60	37	85	3	3	168	117	9	0	69	454	0	1,730
West Brookfield,	Myron Richardson,	145	90	200	40	13	43	0	133	84	0	0	299	572	0	1,750
Westfield, 1st,	George W. Marie,	470	310	345	118	726	116	38	726	74	36	11	1,988	3,715	0	4,867
" 2d,	Frank C. Parker,	279	167	400	177	170	47	22	327	60	10	9	612	1,257	0	3,041
Westford,	Houghton G. Osgood,	80	48	72	33	57	0	3	0	0	28	4	4	96	0	950
Westhampton,	Henry M. Clapp,	177	84	105	26	175	57	10	85	74	50	5	69	525	0	1,460
Westminster,	Amos E. Hurd,	137	87	100	35	0	76	0	39	113	0	0	64	292	0	1,300
W. Newbury, 1st,	Annie L. Rogers,	105	67	80	111	6	5	3	30	10	4	0	10	68	0	860
" 2d,	Dea. Robert L. Smith,	140	72	158	46	10	0	0	10	0	11	0	54	85	3,500	984
Weston,		30	12	30	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	15	29	0	600
Westport,	Nancy A. Parris,	74	42	34	23	23	5	0	43	13	5	0	4	93	0	540
W. Springfield,	Harry L. Brown,	124	65	75	34	55	41	17	49	56	25	0	20	263	0	1,365
" Mittineague,	F. O. Scott,	215	157	115	60	45	15	10	126	15	10	27	108	356	0	2,769
" Park st.,	Nelson Sherburne,	108	65	120	36	133	170	10	112	72	0	0	85	582	0	1,673
W. Stockbridge,	Mrs. N. S. Patterson,	14	12	19	0	5	0	0	10	0	3	0	2	20	0	185
" Village,	William W. Bartlett,	129	59	75	72	59	5	20	40	17	5	5	40	191	0	1,209
West Tisbury,	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	70	43	57	37	0	0	0	20	15	0	0	28	63	0	600
Westwood,	Rev. W. F. Bickford,	50	28	34	22	5	1	0	7	5	0	0	17	35	0	450
Weymouth, 1st,	Dea. B. F. Richards,	72	36	65	30	113	11	10	19	41	7	9	50	260	0	1,592
" Old South,	Matthew R. Loud,	235	88	136	37	71	16	10	61	115	0	0	135	408	0	2,100
" and Braint'e	Ralph W. Loud,	125	91	250	54	78	0	0	36	0	0	0	200	314	0	16,863
" Un., South,	Rev. Frank E. Butler,	172	100	175	40	330	125	20	31	33	10	0	645	1,194	0	3,200
" Pilgrim,	Charles L. Seabury,	156	80	170		75	0	0	14	11	0	0	103	203	0	2,370
" East,	Charles D. Canterbury,	264	152	222	101	151	28	33	106	41	10	0	124	493	0	3,997
Whately,	H. S. Higgins, East Whately,	100	64	100	35	37	0	0	43	0	0	0	11	91	0	1,500
Whitman,	J. Lewis Tillson,	m576	260	311	109	40	6	12	0	54	16	0	46	174	0	2,700
Wilbraham,	Ethelburt Bliss,	83	63	75	19	27	0	11	18	10	0	0	23	89	750	1,268
" North,	Caleb B. Estey,	58	36	48	25	29	11	2	4	12	7	2	18	85	250	1,514
Williamsburg,	Frank C. Richards,	119	83	100	46	240	35	10	122	66	40	0	62	575	1,900	1,500
" Haydenville,	T. S. Purrington,	139	89	120	37	48	5	6	52	12	14	0	23	160	0	1,009
Williamsto'n, 1st,	George B. Waterman,	158	85	150	52	400	44	44	532	89	10	0	80	1,199	0	3,068
" College,					0	457	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	457	0	0
" South,	Leroy B. Smith,	49	32	41	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	350

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Williamstown, White Oaks,	'68	Mrs. Mary R. Hunter,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*]		'96	31	66	97	23	11	0	11	0	2	0	2	6	3
Wilmington,	1733	Chester W. Clark,	Elijah Harmon, *p. c.*	'67	'85	35	78	113	18	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	0
Winchendon, 1st,	1762	Mrs. L. E. Jones,	Gustavus W. Jones, *p. c.*	'69	'91	22	28	50	16	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4
" North,	1843	Rev. Davis Foster,	Davis Foster, *p. c.*	'55	'67	68	167	235	38	0	4	4	3	5	0	8	0	5
Winchester,	1840	Rev. Edwin B. Palmer,	D. Augustine Newton, *p. c.*	'82	'89	204	370	574	105	10	12	22	6	11	4	21	5	5
Windsor,	1773	Howlett C. Cleveland,	George Sterling, *p.*	'74	'97	12	22	34	7	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Winthrop,	1896	C. Henry Goodwin, jr.,				13	37	50	18	3	3	6	1	0	0	1	3	3
Woburn,	1642	Dea. Oliver F. Bryant,	Daniel March, *p. c., em.* Doremus Scudder, *p. c.*	'45 '85	'76 '95	204	389	593	79	16	12	28	12	29	11	52	4	11
" North,	1849	Josiah P. Bixby, M.D.,	George H. Tilton, *p.*	'73	'96	49	88	137	22	2	8	10	1	2	0	3	1	0
" *Scandinavian*,	1884	Bernard Peterson,	Ludwig Akesen,	'95	'99	31	45	76	6	3	1	4	2	6	11	19	0	0
" Montvale,	1892	Dea. Wm. H. Huber,	Wolcott Calkins,	'62	'98	10	19	29	5	3	2	5	0	5	0	5	0	0
Worcester, 1st,	1719	Monroe Murphey,	Arcturus Z. Conrad, *p. c.*	'85	'00	316	644	960	75	23	40	63	15	27	0	42	18	13
" Central,	1820	William H. Sanford,	Daniel Merriman, *p. c.* Edw. M. Chapman, *p. c.*	'68 '90	'78 '93	134	290	424	61	8	9	17	7	21	2	30	6	5
" Union,	1836	Francis E. Kimball,	John E. Tuttle, *p. c.*	'83	'96	224	512	736	115	15	13	28	23	29	1	53	11	16
" Summer st.,	1865	John Morgan,	Orange C. Bailey, *p.*	'85	'94	40	70	118	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Plymouth,	1869	William F. Crosby,	Archibald McCullagh, *p. c.*	'71	'90	275	482	757		10	10	20	15	24	0	39	0	8
" Piedmont,	1872	Dr. H. L. Wheeler,	Willard Scott, *p. c.*	'79	'98	243	443	686	112	10		27	15		0	26	4	3
" *Swedish*, 1st,	1880	Victor Sohlberg,	August L. Anderson, *p.*	'86	'94	153	199	352	12	39	6	45	1	6	6	13		
" Pilgrim,	1885	Horace Hobbs,	Alexander Lewis, *p. c.*	'90	'96	197	410	607		23	33	56	9	14	0	23	16	18
" Park,	1887	Charles M. Smith,	Inman L. Willcox, *p. c.*	'89	'91	61	167	228	43	11	6	7	7	7	0	14	2	6
" Covenant,	1889	Miss E. Dewey,	John E. Hurlbut, *p.*	'75	'90	30	59	89		0	4	4	0	4	0	4	0	1
" Hope,	1889	Robert Hamill,	Ellsworth W. Phillips, *p. c.*	'91	'91	66	123	189	6	2	6	8	1	2	0	3	0	10
" Lake View,	1890	John G. Logan,	John H. Matthews, *p.*	'91	'97	26	47	73	16	3	8	11	1	7	0	8	2	0
" Belmont,	1890	Henry W. Brownell,				33	62	95		0	0	0	1	42	0	43	0	0
" Bethany,	1891	Charles H. Hill,	Albert G. Todd, *p.*	'90	'93	28	71	99	31	5	1	6	1	0	0	1	3	2
" *Armenian*,	1892	Hachadoor Avakian,	[Hachadoor G. Benneyan, *Lic.*]		'96	22		33	4	2	6	8	0	0	1	1	0	2
" Immanuel,	1893	Dea. Chas. H. Putnam,	George S. Dodge, *p. c.*	'72	'93	49	67	116	34	2	1	3	3	2	0	5	2	7
" *Swedish*, 2d,	1894	P. L. Johnson,	John Udd, *p. c.*	'96	'96	73	89	162	5	28	0	28	2	9	3	14	1	6
" Adams Sq.,	1898	Charles S. Robbins,	John E. Dodge, *p.*	'83	'97	39	55	94	1	11	86	97		2	0	3	11	5
Worthington,	1771	Miss Estelle Cole,				41	102	143	42	6	6	12	5	7	0	12	5	0
Wrentham,	1692	Dr. Joseph F. Jenckes,	William J. Minchin,	'96	'99	45	120	165	31	2	1	3	0	1	0	1	2	0
Yarmouth,	1639	A. H. Eldridge, 2d, Y.P.	John J. Walker, *p. c.*	'94	'97	24	104	128	30	1	2	3	2	2	0	4	1	1
" West,	1840	Miss Abbie B. Crowell,	Edgar C. Wheeler,	'96	'99	7	8	15	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Wollaston, *see* Quincy. Woods Holl, *see* Falmouth.

CHANGES from last *Year-Book's* list of churches: *Added*, — Blackstone, Millville (restored); Lowell, *Norwegian:* Worcester, Adams Square.

CHURCHES: 273 with pastors installed by council; 243 with pastors otherwise inducted; 8 with supplies; 77 vacant (including 25 supplied by licentiates or ministers of other denominations). Total, 601.

MINISTERS: 281 pastors installed by council; 230 pastors otherwise inducted; 7 supplies; 300 others. Total, 818.

CHURCH MEMBERS: 35,878 males; 77,666 females. Total, 113,544, including 18,255 absent. Gain, 583.

ADDITIONS: 2,847 by confession; 2,656 by letter. Total, 5,503.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Williamst'n, W.O.	William R. Stocking,	81	67	98	89	27	0	0	18	4	13	0	3	65	0	265
Wilmington,	William A. Rogers,	141	86	100	69	19	0	9	30	40	8	5	0	111	0	1,200
Winchendon, 1st,	George B. Stone,	50	50	48	30	62	0	0	25	25	0	0	25	137	0	450
" North,	Franklin A. Park,	240	138	200	68	344	62	40	177	100	75	0	260	1,058	0	2,519
Winchester,	Clement W. Currier,	458	251	361	87	1,491	194	161	935	527	160	110	1,693	5,271	0	8,215
Windsor,	C. B. Goodell,	50	35	80	46	15	0	0	13	3	2	0	3	36	0	252
Winthrop,	George E. Mitchell,	75	40	90	10	50	0	0	9	0	7	0	17	83	0	1,100
Woburn,	John R. Carter,	758	538	629	207	1,022	438	141	490	439	18	19	845	3,412	0	7,670
" North,	Dea. B. F. Kimball,	291	127	125	105	62	17	12	15	48	14	0	30	198	0	1,822
" *Scand.*,	Bernard Peterson,	93	75	34	26	28	9	0	36	56	4	0	86	219	0	1,241
" Montvale,	Dea. William H. Huber,	45	40	40	45	1	1	1	40	1	1	1	19	65	0	550
Worcester, 1st,	Henry C. Brown,	800	434	855	300	288	91	378	1,062	290	25	86	1,761	3,981	0	14,000
" Central,	Clinton Alvord,	350	214	425	60	604	138	74	1,794	193	79	127	1,859	4,868	0	9,343
" Union,	Prof. Albert B. Kimball,	627	489	550	85	1,025	3,171	884	1,973	774	214	90	6,514	14,645	100	10,876
" Summer st.,						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Plymouth,	Paul B. Morgan,	547	320		100	1,525	202	175	3,389	234	125	0	5,906	11,556	0	12,600
" Piedmont,	Charles E. Hildreth,	648	314	450	147	1,281	1,718	1,816	2,684	138	232	307	3,266	11,442	0	14,315
" *Swed.*, 1st,	E. Ljungquist,	393	335		78	0	0	11	30	0	0	0	212	253	0	4,056
" Pilgrim,	Benjamin F. Joslyn,	761	437	550	179	115	265	209	985	58	6	100	1,239	2,977	0	11 392
" Park,	C. M. Smith,	275	145	250	65	51	11	0	75	0	3	0	70	210	0	6,000
" Covenant,	Henry M. Tubbs,	240	101	125	34	5	0	0	27	0	7	0	15	54	0	1,300
" Hope,	Frank A. Thompson,	246	197	200	103	85	3	5	106	25	5	1	35	265	0	2,032
" LakeView,	John G. Logan,	150	88	100	121	0	0	0	14	0	3	0	0	17	0	1,472
" Belmont,	John H. Sherman,	132	116	50	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	22	0	1,350
" Bethany,	Fred L. Moore,	143	76	75	72	0	0	0	88	0	0	0	0	88	0	1,318
" *Armenian*,	Gorobed Papazian,	40	30	30	12	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	50	80	0	600
" Immanuel,	Edwin Batty,	205	129	145	69	147	0	0	83	19	8	0	25	282	0	1,688
" *Swed.*, 2d,	Carl Norgren,	280	200		48	50	0	0	20	0	0	0	50	120	0	2,286
" Adams Sq.,	W. P. Rowell,	225	120	100	38	10	0	0	25	7	19	0	0	61	0	6,535
Worthington,	Milo Bates,	105	57	80	51	265	1	1	20	12	1	1	36	337	0	880
Wrentham,	Nathan H. Fales, Pondville,	192	123	125	111	84	0	40	61	72	38	8	252	555	0	1,974
Yarmouth,	Miss Martha W. Howes,	78	50	130	42	52	10	35	127	76	17	10	14	341	0	1,450
" West,	Dea. Isaiah Crowell,	34	20	24	0	3	0	0	5	3	0	0	18	29	0	295

REMOVALS: 1,740 by death; 2,383 by dismissal; 840 by discipline. Total, 4,963.

BAPTISMS: 1,345 adult; 1,799 infant.

IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 120,581. Loss, 3,666. Average, 70,472.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Number, 528; 37,637 members.

FAMILIES: 552 churches reporting (500 last year), 87,097. Gain, 718.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: 580 churches reporting (581 last year): Foreign, $126,752; Education, $30,840: Church Building, $17,607; Home, $150,388; A. M. A., $36,188; Sunday School, $13,494; Ministerial Aid, $6,432; Other, $176,424. Total, $558,125. Decrease, $51,348.

BENEVOLENT LEGACIES: $131,181.

HOME EXPENDITURES: 575 churches reporting (568 last year), $1,581,770. Decrease, $47,629.

ORGANIZATION: Twenty-five Conferences, united in THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

SUMMARIES.

THE CONFERENCES.		CHURCHES.					MEMBERS.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPTISMS.	
Name.	Year of Organization.	Churches.	With P. C.'s	With P.'s	With other Supplies.	Unsupplied.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.
Andover,	1859	29	20	7	0	2	2,143	4,819	6,962	1,547	193	149	342	87	115	3	205	84	164
Barnstable,	1828	23	5	10	0	8(1)	379	1,162	1,541	291	30	33	63	39	33	16	88	22	24
Berkshire, N.,	1867	18	8	6	0	4(2)	1,176	2,327	3,503	438	91	60	151	56	68	101	225	48	51
" S.,	1860	19	4	7	3	5(4)	715	1,454	2,169	407	61	32	93	23	24	13	60	37	17
Brookfield,	1821	22	11	10(−1)	0	1	948	2,133	3,081	664	67	60	127	62	74	35	171	40	34
Essex, N.,	1828	27	17(+1)	9	0	1	1,530	3,655	5,185	588	117	96	213	98	84	6	188	66	47
" S.,	1827	37	22	12	0	3(2)	1,670	4,540	6,210	928	121	128	249	113	76	17	206	70	69
Franklin,	1843	29	3	20	0	6(4)	1,264	2,373	3,637	547	100	69	169	56	102	21	179	62	35
Hampden,	1850	47	31	13	0	3	3,219	6,393	9,612	1,611	291	300	591	146	230	57	433	147	169
Hampshire,	1865	17	7	6	0	4	1,091	2,526	3,617	589	59	59	118	81	39	6	126	25	30
" E.,	1860	16	4	8	0	4(2)	1,016	1,754	2,770	673	23	52	75	56	54	41	151	16	16
Mendon,	1858	12	4	4	0	4	590	1,565	2,155	363	66	27	93	43	51	17	111	43	31
Middlesex, S.,	1828	21	12	8	1	0	1,186	2,634	3,820	701	134	105	239	68	87	32	187	64	34
" Union,	1853	23	7	14	0	2	1,207	2,424	3,631	708	79	73	152	75	64	42	181	28	65
Norfolk,	1827	37	16	15	1	5(2)	1,945	4,135	6,080	823	144	145	289	88	128	25	241	66	101
Old Colony,	1856	17	4	12	0	1	611	1,480	2,091	305	45	34	79	30	37	2	69	30	19
Pilgrim,	1830	14	3	11	0	0	284	838	1,122	180	16	12	28	27	20	52	99	10	18
Suffolk, N.,	1861	28	19	6	0	3	2,589	5,690	8,279	1,066	273	238	511	130	197	132	459	124	238
" S.,	1860	28	15	9	1	3(1)	2,390	5,297	7,687	1,155	186	218	404	92	181	67	340	39	155
" W.,	1873	25	17(+4)	5	0	3(1)	3,030	5,984	9,014	1,401	197	292	489	105	199	24	328	54	129
Taunton,	1849	24	8	12	1	3(1)	981	2,337	3,318	461	105	42	147	47	57	46	150	35	65
Woburn,	1848	23	12(+1)	8	1	2	1,966	4,040	6,006	993	124	176	300	79	130	32	241	54	97
Worcester,	1852	32	12(+1)	16	0	4(2)	2,681	5,183	7,864	990	218	267	485	147	248	17	412	96	127
" N.,	1827	16	5	8	0	3(1)	596	1,274	1,870	337	49	42	91	34	40	3	77	41	12
" S.,	1828	16	7	7	0	2(2)	656	1,636	2,292	485	55	45	100	58	45	33	136	41	49
Associated with R. I.,		1	0	0	0	1	15	13	28	4	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	3	0
Total,		601	273	243	8	77 (25)	35,878	77,666	113,544	18,255	2,847	2,656	5,503	1,740	2,383	840	4,963	1,345	1,799

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Name.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. Association.	Sunday Schools.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Andover,	$4,044	$839	$2,095	$8,307	$1,694	$406	$587	$8,036	$26,008	$1,669	$97,834
Barnstable,	468	22	70	431	147	97	24	407	1,666	0	18,123
Berkshire, N.,	4,639	1,575	370	5,027	1,138	287	233	4,608	17,877	8,200	28,740
" S.,	1,725	162	183	1,309	587	206	43	2,837	7,052	0	21,256
Brookfield,	3,124	1,074	425	3,317	1,353	430	151	2,431	12,305	1,600	37,841
Essex, N.,	2,294	315	319	2,612	1,365	317	165	3,466	10,853	6,500	57,946
" S..	5,548	914	551	4,468	1,895	723	175	7,108	21,382	1,167	77,578
Franklin,	1,793	451	358	1,675	877	246	88	1,364	6,852	506	37,406
Hampden,	8,409	4,726	1,650	13,075	2,024	881	986	34,651	66,402	1,412	133,116
Hampshire,	2,769	435	387	2,329	1,290	319	146	1,798	9,473	51,515	41,532
" E.,	2,826	314	109	1,570	752	174	79	547	6,371	22	19,208
Mendon,	943	116	131	1,068	594	227	48	1,701	4,828	25	26,189
Middlesex, S.,	3,225	947	306	3,629	1,137	321	170	3,320	13,055	6,300	47,678
" Union,	2,598	490	240	2,199	792	403	115	2,428	9,265	400	58,562
Norfolk,	3,338	614	451	3,271	1,139	508	183	6,631	16,135	1,530	104,150
Old Colony,	1,392	141	152	2,057	260	123	307	2,096	6,528	2,400	30,992
Pilgrim,	633	53	128	554	220	137	15	222	1,962	150	15,235
Suffolk, N.,	8,190	358	413	10,052	2,612	1,164	169	7,363	30,321	400	127,145
" S.,	11,765	2,124	1,242	14,660	3,118	1,077	378	5,191	39,555	17,400	124,216
" W.,	36,054	4,523	2,412	38,039	5,332	2,491	695	34,638	124,184	0	139,166
Taunton,	3,201	1,443	315	8,034	981	374	9	7,142	21,499	2,500	55,451
Woburn,	5,323	1,140	721	4,843	2,171	518	394	6,563	21,673	3,760	84,458
Worcester,	6,604	6,037	3,650	13,664	2,389	846	764	22,737	56,691	23,100	138,916
" N.,	1,055	201	94	884	482	311	0	1,347	4,374	25	22,643
" S.,	4,792	1,826	833	3,314	1,839	906	508	5,260	19,278	600	26,200
Associated with R. I.,	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	4	0	189
Total,	$126,752	$30,840	$17,607	$150,388	$36,188	$13,494	$6,432	$173,892	$555,593	$131,181	$1,581,770

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Name.	Members.	Av. Attendance.	Families.	Y. P. S. C. E.	
				No.	Mem's.
Andover	6,622	3,993	5,004	26	2,133
Barnstable	1,554	998	1,361	16	580
Berkshire, N	3,415	2,256	2,414	12	863
" S	1,972	1,157	1,479	16	813
Brookfield	3,124	1,823	2,706	19	1,163
Essex, N	5,503	3,048	,980	24	1,663
" S	6,140	4,814	5,444	35	4,053
Franklin	3,783	2,271	2,841	27	1,063
Hampden	9,595	5,560	7,142	39	2,564
Hampshire	2,745	1,645	2,316	16	807
" E	2,004	1,293	1,519	14	787
Mendon	2,216	1,229	1,514	10	776
Middlesex, S	3,553	2,184	2,932	19	1,120
" Union	3,674	2,097	2,069	21	1,282
Norfolk	8,468	4,446	6,054	32	2,302
Old Colony	2,417	,422	2,151	15	646
Pilgrim	1,272	743	,034	14	562
Suffolk, N	10,290	5,865	5,741	24	2,503
" S	9,226	5,463	5,749	27	2,919
" W	6,925	3,733	3,738	17	1,619
Taunton	4,143	2,544	3,011	22	1,225
Woburn	7,428	4,316	5,233	23	2,432
Worcester	8,246	4,854	5,948	30	2,199
" N	1,874	,209	1,599	14	646
" S	2,316	1,509	3,086	15	893
Associated with Rhode Island	76		32	1	24
Total	120,581	70,472	87,097	528	37,637

SUMMARIES OF CHANGES DURING THE YEARS MENTIONED.

YEARS.	Churches. Number New.	Number Dropped.	Members. Gain.	Members. Loss.	Ministers. The Pastorate. Ordained.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Died.	Ordained without Installation.	Deaths. Pastors by C.	Pastors.	Others.	Sabbath Schools. Gain.	Sabbath Schools. Loss.	Benevolent Contributions. Increase.	Benevolent Contributions. Decrease.
1899	3	0	583	—	7	24	15	4	12	4	1	9	—	3,666	—	$51,348
1898	7	2	1,738	—	6	21	12	2	15	2	2	11	2,690	—	—	49,078
1897	6	2	1,044	—	11	24	23	0	12	0	2	27	3,410	—	—	37,710
1896	1	1	705	—	10	25	22	1	16	1	3	18	52	—	$65,015	—
1895	5	3	1,950	—	8	21	17	1	26	1	3	22	422	—	—	44,638
1894	8	0	1,581	—	15	35	30	2	15	2	1	15	1,429	—	—	176,171
1893	8	2	629	—	9	22	20	0	12	0	1	7	—	995	194,507	—
1892	9	1	1,655	—	21	24	24	2	8	2	1	11	—	1,404	—	17,737
1891	6	2	1,999	—	11	24	17	2	9	2	0	10	1,914	—	17,206	—
1890	5	1	1,190	—	17	29	24	2	5	2	3	13	1,849	—	16,902	—
1889	17	0	2,461	—	4	32	20	2	12	2	4	11	934	—	20,449	—
1888	6	2	1,295	—	10	24	25	2	2	2	2	16	2,410	—	—	28,871 35
1887	1	2	1,425	—	12	22	39	3	4	3	0	7	1,048	—	110,514 49	—
1886	4	2	1,262	—	11	18	22	0	1	0	1	7	588	—	—	4,394 72
1885	3	1	3,375	—	8	33	31	2	3	2	0		3,355	—	100,919 45	—
1884	3	2	—	1,945	9	28	26	3	3	3	1	12	1,816	—	23,341 82	—
1883	0	1	957	—	15	26	27	5	3	5	1	13	2,941	—	137,601 71	—
1882	4	0	1,276	—	6	14	11	6	3	1	0	5	—	10,999	—	41,877 74
1881	2	1	—	1,477	15	31	26	3	4	3	3	14	5,232	—	45,231 77	—
1880	2	4	—	348	12	28	32	7	3	7	0	12	655	—	22,000 27	—
1879	1	2	319	—	15	28	36	2	9	2	1	18	—	349	15,170 77	—
1878	4	1	3,995	—	13	35	43	2	6	2	0	10	3,723	—	—	75,297 55
1877	7	2	2,519	—	7	25	48	5	7	5	2	8	754	—	—	16,274 77
1876	4	0	787	—	9	29	47	4	14	4	1	10	—	1,119	—	15,929 92
1875	11	2	1,688	—	11	19	37	2	4	2	*	8	4,514	—	22,705 17	—
1874	3	2	1,015	—	10	33	34	11	6	11		11	2,150	—	—	42,248 88
1873	6	2	11	—	21	33	36	6	4	6		13	—	687	—	2,119 87
1872	2	0	870	—	10	43	39	7	3	7		13	332	—	98,649 52	—
1871	2	3	517	—	9	43	53	3	5	3		5	—	2,293	2,010 21	—
1870	6	4	9	—	16	25	46	9	5	9		14	—	700	37,726 82	—
1869	7	3	531	—	17	42	50	2	3	2		15	404	—	Unk'n	
1868	3	3	1,692	—	17	37	46	1	8	1		5	2,620	—	"	
1867	5	2	2,879	—	12	33	59	2	10	2		15	3,713	—	"	
1866	9	5	—	263	10	27	32	5		5		13	920	—	"	
1865	8	8	1,099	—						1		6	—	775	"	
1860	6	3	—	413						9		6	—	161		
1855	5	1	532	—						6		6	940	—		
1851	2	2	2,467	—									2,249	—		

NOTE. — The "year" means what changes were comprised in the twelve months preceding January 1 of the year mentioned. The table was begun in 1866, all preceding years now given being compiled from past Minutes, — the number of churches in some years varying from the Minutes as they *were* to what they *should* have been.

The changes in list of churches, ordinations, installations, etc., for the past year, condensed in the above table, are given in detail in their proper place.

* Prior to 1876 "acting pastors" are included in "others" in columns of deaths of ministers.

CONTINUED TABLE OF SUMMARIES.

Year.	Churches.					Ministers.					Church Members, Jan. 1.			Additions.				Removals.				Baptisms.		In Sab. Schs.		Benevolent Contributions.
	With P. C.	With P.	With S.	Vacant.	Total.	P. C.	P.	S.	Others.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Ab'nt.	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death	Dism.	Disc.	Total.	Adult	Infant	Mem.	Av. Att.	
1899	273	243	8	77	601	281	230	7	300	818	35,878	77,666	113,544	18,255	2,847	2,656	5,503	1,740	2,383	840	4,963	1,345	1,799	120,581	70,472	$558,125
1898	282	252	8	56	598	291	235	6	256	788	35,828	77,133	112,961	17,985	3,912	3,180	7,092	1,528	2,462	748	5,038	1,860	1,990	124,247	72,968	609,473
1897	274	241	10	68	593	280	226	10	271	787	35,331	75,892	111,223	17,453	3,382	3,050	6,432	1,848	2,590	915	5,353	1,633	1,616	121,557	70,571	658,551
1896	281	224	15	69	589	287	214	15	270	786	35,038	75,141	110,179	17,216	3,786	2,964	6,750	1,849	2,650	936	5,435	1,326	1,661	118,379	69,581	696,261
1895	273	215	22	79	589	280	210	21	267	778	34,461	75,013	109,474	17,014	4,106	3,282	7,388	1,843	2,653	952	5,448	1,964	1,802	118,327	70,262	631,246
1894	267	203	27	90	587	271	194	22	293	780	34,032	73,492	107,524	16,957	3,733	3,260	6,993	1,935	2,730	721	5,386	1,849	1,804	117,905	70,790	675,884
1893	267	198	16	98	579	276	184	16	342	818	33,598	72,345	105,943	17,125	3,324	3,005	6,329	2,074	2,506	850	5,430	1,654	1,462	116,476	69,323	852,055
1892	265	195	11	102	573	275	199	11	315	800	33,433	71,881	105,314	15,865	3,617	3,170	6,787	1,916	2,721	475	5,112	1,840	1,543	117,471	68,640	657,548
1891	272	176	16	101	565	283	181	15	286	766	32,596	71,063	103,659	17,206	3,530	3,043	6,573	1,757	2,604	479	4,840	1,883	1,674	118,875	72,041	675,285
1890	268	190	23	80	561	278	178	22	276	754	32,133	69,527	101,660	17,595	3,836	3,159	6,995	1,754	2,744	913	5,411	1,930	1,377	116,961	68,574	658,979
1889	264	177	45	93	557	264	177	45	220	706	31,592	68,878	100,470	15,838	3,718	2,760	6,478	1,780	2,513	337	4,630	1,838	1,258	115,112	66,899	641,177
1888	261	204		75	540	277	165		236	678	29,465	64,712	97,707	15,541	3,882	2,839	6,721	1,788	2,313	185	4,286	2,013	1,229	114,178		678,950
1887	258	178		99	535	282	157		259	698	29,029	63,967	96,412	15,836	3,733	2,688	6,421	1,537	2,114	189	3,856	1,905	961	111,768		707,821
1886	277	189		70	536	289	165		211	665	28,577	62,697	94,987	15,931	3,752	2,687	6,440	1,688	2,170	150	4,011	1,843	1,025	110,720		597,307
1885	283	166		85	534	297	178		186	661	28,857	63,423	93,725	15,239	3,013	2,503	5,519	1,603	1,979	168	3,752	1,414	1,008	110,182		601,702
1884	283	169		80	532	300	155		186	641	27,777	62,573	90,350	13,877	2,800	2,071	4,871	1,587	1,979	141	3,707	1,451	800	106,827		500,782
1883	278	160		93	531	265	153		202	620	30,957	61,338	92,295	14,872	2,371	2,180	4,551	1,585	1,861	148	3,594	1,051	837	105,011		477,440
1882	274	178		80	532	278	143		215	636	28,073	61,135	91,238	14,392	2,153	2 001	4,168	1,682	1,724	137	3,539	1,103	966	94,977		349,839
1881	269	164		95	528	264	119		228	611	28,494	61,468	89,962	14,399	1,631	1,940	3,571	1,410	1,592	145	3,147	874	842	105,976		391,716
1880	280	171		75	526	284	164		185	633	29,045	62,394	91,439	14,584	1,761	1,835	3,596	1,454	1,745	151	3,350	922	968	100,744		346,485
1879	282	180		66	528	286	174		195	655	29,212	62,575	91,787	14,764	2,421	1,869	4,290	1,401	1,669	116	3,186	1,235	954	10,089		324,484
1878	277	174		78	529	280	169		194	643	28,995	62,473	91,468	14,100	5,698	2,577	8,275	1,418	2,066	159	3,643	3,103	1,353	100,438	62,290	309,314
1877	269	174		83	526	275	171		196	642	27,479	59,994	87,473	12,833	4,407	2,085	6,492	1,517	1,807	178	3,502	2,480	1,078	96,715		384,611
1876	280	163		69	521	292	162		187	641	26,580	58,374	84,954	13,177	3,103	2,244	5,347	1,531	2,163	89	3,783	1,616	1,153	95,961	61,391	400,886
1875	301	136		80	517	305	134		167	606	26,346	57,821	84,167	12,777	3,869	2,739	6,608	1,391	2,295	94	3,780	2,137	1,111	97,160	62,295	416,816
1874	307	116		85	508	314	116		166	596	25,810	56,669	82,479	12,506	2,329	2,279	4,608	1,380	1,902	67	3,349	1,112	1,012	92,646	60,036	394,111
1873	307	127		73	507	316	127		173	616	25,481	55,983	81,464	13,305	2,713	2,438	5,151	1,483	2,159	60	3,702	1,287	915	90,496	58,405	436,359
1872	299	123		81	503	304	123		164	591	25,426	56,027	81,453	13,874	2,569	2,151	4,720	1,350	2,177	79	3,906	1,236	882	91,183	61,571	438,479
1871	292	134		75	501	297	134		166	597	25,152	55,431	80,583	12,517	2,164	2,009	4,173	1,348	2,049	73	3,470	1,126	1,005	90,851	61,443	439,830
1870	294	119		89	502	298	117		176	591	24,915	55,151	80,066	11,983	2,381	2,476	4,857	1,359	2,308	82	3,749	1,218	1,103	93,144	62,217	337,820
1869	311	116		73	500	314	115		172	601	25,050	55,007	80,057	11,970	2,975	2,492	5,467	1,267	2,337	79	3,683	1,610	1,036	93,844	61,149	300,093
1868	301	113		82	496	307	112		156	575	24,734	54,792	79,526	11,509	3,513	2,163	5,676	1,170	2,122	58	3,350	1,928	1,072	93,440	62,782	298,533
1867	295	114		87	496	300	113		154	567	24,082	53,752	77,834	11,695	4,644	2,316	6,960	1,220	2,051	114	4,385	2,314	1,168	90,820	61,407	315,322
1866	310	109		74	493	316	107		166	589	25,177	51,778	74,955	11,147	2,153	1,696	3,749	1,307	1,703	98	3,108	1,010	987	87,107	60,036	392,244
1865	313	100		76	489	318	101		147	566	23,488	51,730	75,218	11,706	3,030	1,790	4,820	1,454	1,675	124	3,253	1,467	1,023	86,187	58,284	
1860	325	81		82	488	333	78		176	587	24,217	51,302	76,371	10,114	1,741	1,734	3,475	1,154	1,768	188	3,110	780	1,293	80,124		
1855	351	54		62	467	366	55		135	556	20,999	45,218	69,509	8,756	1,713	1,618	3,331	1,119	1,674	97	2,890	737	1,254	66,147		
1850	347	58		56	461	356	56						64,830		1,185	1,510	2,695	1,054	1,456	108	2,618	429	1,239	64,178		
1845					440								65,467											62,108		
1840					408								62,513											62,305		
1835					387								49,089											44,040		
1830					347								37,987											34,787		

In the above table, the columns of "Additions," "Removals," "Baptisms," "Sabbath School Average," and "Benevolent Contributions" cover the twelve months next preceding January 1 of the year mentioned in a given line. The number of *churches, members,* and of *Sabbath schools* was enumerated January 1 of the year mentioned. The number of churches "Vacant" includes all churches supplied by licentiates, or ministers of other denominations.

THE ASSOCIATIONS OF MINISTERS.

1. ANDOVER, Organized July 5, 1763.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
S. Winchester Adriance,	'79, May 22.	'84, Dec. 2.	Winchester.	W. C.
Ernest L. Baker,	'94, Sept. 18.	'95, Feb. 26.	*Center Harbor, N.H.*	P.
Cecil F. P. Bancroft,	'67, May 1.	'90, Sept. 23.	Andover.	Prof.
Henry E. Barnes,	'62, May 28.	'94, Feb. 27.	N. Andover.	P. C.
Ernest C. Bartlett,	'96, Mar. 12.	'96, Dec. 8.	Chelmsford.	P. C.
William A. Bartlett,	'86, Jan. 4.	'96, Feb. 23.	Lowell.	P. C.
James M. Blue,	'96, July 14.	'96, Sept. 29.	Lawrence.	P.
Francis H. Boynton,	'64, Oct. 20.	'89, May 28.	Florence.	P.
Park A. Bradford,	'79, July 30.	'94, Sept. 25.	Lowell.	W. C.
Charles C. Carpenter,	'60, May 9.	'91, May.	Andover.	W. C.
Clark Carter,	'68, Feb. 13.	'73, June 3.	Andover.	C. M.
Edward A. Chase,	'84, May 28.	'89, Sept. 24.	Wollaston.	P. C.
J. Wesley Churchill,	'69, April 30.	'82, April 11.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Thomas G. A. Coté,	'71, April 9.	'82, April 11.	Lowell.	W. C.
George R. Dickinson,	'95, Oct. 9.	'96, Sept. 29.	Andover.	W. C.
Sarah A. Dixon,	'97, June 16.	'97, Dec. 7.	Tyngsboro.	P. C.
John M. Greene,	'57, Oct. 20.	'71, June 28.	Lowell.	P. C.
Daniel W. Hardy,	'74, Oct. 20.	'95, Dec. 3.	Billerica.	P.
Edward Y. Hincks,	'70, Oct. 18.	'85, Dec. 15.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles W. Huntington,	'81, Sept. 6.	'88, June 5.	Lowell.	P. C.
Francis H. Johnson,	'61, Oct. 15.	'83, June 5.	Andover.	W. C.
George H. Johnson,	'77, July 6.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
George F. Kenngott,	'90, Oct. 8.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
David Kilburn,	'84, April 20.	'90, Sept. 23.	*Londonderry, N.H.*	W. C.
Willis D. Leland,	'80, Jan. 23.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	P. C.
Herbert G. Mank,	'89, Jan. 15.	'98, Dec. 6.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Charles L. Merriam,	'82, Sept. 13.	'92, June.	Lowell.	P. C.
Selah Merrill,	'64, Nov. 1.	'74, Oct. 20.	*Jerusalem.*	W. C.
Charles L. Mitchell,	'71, June 28.	'84, June 19.	Winchester.	W. C.
George F. Moore,	'78, Feb. 2,	'95, May 28.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Lewis W. Morey,	'82, Sept. 6.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	W. C.
Andrew P. Nelson,	'94, Mar. 1.	'98, Feb. 22.	Lowell.	P. C.
Charles H. Oliphant,	'76, July 12.	'84, Oct. 28.	Methuen.	P. C.
Henry E. Oxnard,	'94, Nov. 13.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P.
Frederick H. Page,	'93, Nov. 23.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Edward W. Pride,	'69, June 10.	'92, June.	Andover.	W. C.
William H. Ryder,	'69, Dec. 14.	'88, Dec. 4.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Hovhannes K.Santikian,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Dec. 7.	Lowell.	M.
Frank R. Shipman,	'93, Dec. 27.	'94, June 5.	Andover.	P. C.

1. ANDOVER (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
John Phelps Taylor,	'68, Nov. 12.	'85, Nov. 3.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles C. Torrey,	'99, May 15.	'99, May 29.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Elbridge C. Whiting,	'91, Sept. 30.	'97, May 25.	Tewksbury.	W. C.
Charles H. Willcox,	'84, Nov. 6.	'84, Dec. 2.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Frederick A. Wilson,	'82, Oct. 6.	'90, April 8.	Andover.	P. C.
William E. Wolcott,	'81, Sept. 21.	'82, Feb. 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Frank E. Woodruff,	'83, Sept. 6.	'85, Nov. 3.	*Brunswick, Me.*	Prof.

Licentiates. — 1896: George S. Ball. — 1898: Robert H. Cochrane, Howard Gilpatric, Arthur E. Hartwell, Frederick W. Leavit, John E. Le Bosquet, Jason G. Miller, Emile J. Palisoul, John Reid, Arden M. Rockwood, Wilmot E. Stevens; William J. Long, Sept. 27, 1898. David E. Burnham, Charles F. Fisher, Andrew C. Furbush, Fred W. Flood, Joseph N. Haskell, Frederic Parker, William W. Rockwell, Henry B. Dyer, Laird W. Snell, Alfred E. Stearns, Albert P. Watson, May 29, 1899.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesday in December, and fourth Tuesdays in February, May, and September.

Rev. Henry E. Oxnard, Lawrence, scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

George W. Andrews,	'82, June 7.	'84, Dec. 1.	Dalton.	P.
John Bascom,	'59, Dec. 18.	'61, Jan. 28.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Raymond Calkins,	'97, Oct. 19.	'98, Mar. 8.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
Edson L. Clark,	'59, Nov. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
William V. W. Davis,	'77, Sept. 12.	'93, Dec. 19.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
John H. Denison,	'70, Jan. 30.	'85, Sept. 16.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Charles O. Eames,	'97, Dec. 14.	'99, Jan. 30.	Becket.	P.
Nathaniel H. Egleston,	'45, Feb. 19.	'77, Dec. 3.	Boston.	W. C.
Miles B. Fisher,	'97, Oct. 4.	'99, Jan. 30.	Adams.	P. A.
Edward H. Griffin,	'68, Feb. 6.	'73, Dec. 1.	*Baltimore, Md.*	Dean Coll.
Samuel Harrison,	'50, Aug. 13.	'52, Nov. 8.	Pittsfield.	P.
James H. Laird,	'64, Dec. 21.	'85, Sept. 16.	Hinsdale.	P. C.
T. Claire Luce,	'85, Dec. 2.	'90, Dec. 2.	Richmond.	P.
William E. Morse,	'86, May 1.	'90, Dec. 2.	Dudley.	P.
Alford B. Penniman,	'83, Apr. 10.	'94, June 12.	Adams.	P. C.
James C. Seagrave,	'51, Dec. 1.	'87, Dec. 6.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
William Slade,	'88, Sept. 18.	'93, Feb. 21.	Hampton, Ct.	P.
Isaac C. Smart,	'85, June 9.	'85, Sept. 16.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
George Sterling,	'74, Dec. 8.	'99, Jan. 30.	Windsor.	P.
William L. Tenney,	'88, Sept. 20.	'95, Dec. 20.	North Adams.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — In March, June, September, and December.

Rev. James H. Laird, Hinsdale, scribe and treasurer.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Arthur J. Benedict,	'75, May 25.	'93, Jan. 31.	Housatonic.	P.
Leon D. Bliss,	'89, Oct. 31.	'96, Oct. 27.	Great Barrington.	P. C.
Albert J. Chittenden,	'62, Sept. 28.	'94, April 24.	Mill River.	W. C.
Walter W. Curtis,	'72, Mar. 20.	'83, Oct. 29.	West Stockbridge.	P.
John Dooley,	'72, May 6.	'98, April 26,	Monterey.	P.
Edwin C. Gillette,	'98, Oct. 7.	'98, Nov. 1.	Southfield,	P.
Samuel Hopley,	'55, Sept. 19.	'90, Jan. 28.	Lee.	W. C.
Alonzo T. Lamb,	'93, July 26.	'95, Oct. 29.	W. Wareham.	P.
John B. Lewes,	'95, Sept. 25.	'97, Oct. 26.	Mill River.	P.
Stephen T. Livingston,	'91, July 8.	'91, Nov. 10.	Williamstown.	W. C.
R. DeWitt Mallary,	'76, Oct. 12.	'80, July 12.	Lenox.	W. C.
Evarts W. Pond,	'95, May 2.	'97, Oct. 26.	Sheffield.	P.
Charles S. Rich,	'96, Sept. 29.	'96, Oct. 27.	Stockbridge.	P. C.
Lyman S. Rowland,	'64, Nov. 16.	'77, Oct. 29.	Lee.	P. C.
George T. Washburn,	'59, Mar. 22.	'59, July 25.	*Madura.*	Missionary.

Licentiates. — Edward C. Sedgwick, Edward J. Rulifson.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October. Rev. Leon D. Bliss, Great Barrington, scribe and treasurer.

4. BROOKFIELD, Organized June 22, 1757.

Austin B. Bassett,	'87, Sept. 15.	'91, April 21.	Ware.	P. C.
Oscar Bissell,	'56, May 14.	'93, Oct. 24.	Brimfield.	W. C.
Edward B. Blanchard,	'92, June 29.	'96, Jan. 14.	Brookfield.	P. C.
Allen A. Bronsdon,	'98, Dec. 2.	'98, Jan. 11.	Oakham.	P. C.
Benson M. Frink,	'63, Jan. 9.	'94, Jan. 16.	W. Brookfield.	W. C.
Sereno D. Gammell,	'68, Sept. 9.	'97, July 27.	N. Brookfield.	W. C.
Joseph F. Gaylord,	'67, Nov. 7.	'79, Oct. 15.	Barre.	P. C.
Silvanus Hayward,	'61, Oct. 9.	'81, April 19.	Globe Village.	P. C.
Amos Holbrook,	'66, May 9.	'96, Oct. 13.	Sturbridge.	W. C.
Robert J. Kyle,	'85, Sept. 12.	'97, Jan. 22.	Brimfield.	P.
Charles W. Loomis,	'88, May 23.	'98, Jan. 11.	W. Brookfield.	W. C.
Samuel E. Lord,	'98, April 26.	'98, July 12.	Marlboro.	P.
William B. Oleson,	'77, Dec. 4.	'99, Jan. 17.	Warren.	P. C.
Harlan Page,	'83, Feb. 6.	'95, July 2.	Hardwick.	P.
Augustus M. Rice,	'73, Dec. 17.	'94, July 3.	Sturbridge.	P.
John L. Sewall,	'82, July 19.	'98, Jan. 11.	N. Brookfield.	P. C.
Joseph J. Spencer,	'90, Oct. 1.	'91, Oct. 6.	N. Brookfield.	P. C.
Dwight C. Stone,	'88, May 22.	'96, April 14.	Gilbertville.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October. Rev. Edward B. Blanchard, Brookfield, scribe.

5. CAPE COD (BARNSTABLE, 1792; BREWSTER, 1832; VINEYARD SOUND, 1836), Organized by union, October 16, 1866.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	'63, Feb. 17.	'82, Jan. 31.	Hyannis.	W. C.
Charles A. Breck,	'94, Sept. 25	'97, Aug. 4.	Cotuit.	P.
Henry K. Craig,	'55, Jan. 24.	'73, April 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
George S. Dodge,	'93, June 6.	'94, Jan. 16.	Boston.	W. C.
Edward T. Ford,	'97, May 25.	'97, Oct. 19.	Harwichport.	P.
Edgar B. French,	'97, Sept. 7.	'97, Oct. 19.	W. Barnstable.	P.
William Harris,	'76, June 10.	'96, Jan. 21.	Warwick.	P.
John W. Hayley,	'64, Sept. 23.	'95, Jan. 15.	Lowell.	W. C.
Dorrall Lee,	'74, Sept. 16.	'97, April 20.	N. Dighton.	P.
E. Irving Racket,	'94, May 9.	'94, July 17.	Orleans.	P. C.
John T. Rea,	'73, Aug. 8.	'79, Jan. 28.	*Exeter, N. H.*	W. C.
Daniel W. Richardson,	'62, Aug. 14.	'96, Aug. 4.	Chatham.	P.
Ezra J. Riggs,	'79, July 10.	'91, Nov. 10.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
Robert Samuel,	'59, Nov. 3.	'84, Oct. 28.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William F. Skerrye,	'96, Aug. 31.	'97, Jan. 19.	Provincetown.	W. C.
Ezra N. Smith,	'72, June 12.	'92, April 19.	N. Falmouth.	P.
Rufus B. Tobey,	'80, Nov. 30.	'81, Jan. 25.	Boston.	W. C.
John J. Walker,	'94, Dec. 11.	'97, April 20.	Yarmouth.	P. C.
Charles H. Washburn,	'85, Dec. 2.	'95, Aug 20.	Boston.	P. C.
Chas. H. Whitney,	'71, Aug. 31.	'72, Jan. 16.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William H. Woodwell,	'73, June 12.	'89, June 11.	Leverett.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October. Rev. Ezra N. Smith, N. Falmouth, scribe.

6. ESSEX NORTH, Organized September 6, 1761.

Frank G. Alger,	'86, July 22.	'98, Dec. 20.	Newburyport.	P.
Charles Beecher,	'44, Nov. 2.	'57, Dec. 22.	Georgetown.	W. C.
Isaac N. Carleton,	*Licentiate.*	'87, April 19.	Bradford.	Teacher.
George W. Christie,	'73, Dec. 11.	'93, Feb. 21.	Amesbury.	P.
Calvin M. Clark,	'90, Dec. 30.	'93, Dec 19.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles Clark,	'94, Dec. 12.	'98, April 26.	Ward Hill.	P. C.
Charles F. Clark,	'92, Dec. 7.	'98, April 26.	West Newbury,	P.
Chalmer H. Coolidge,	'83, May 24.	'98, Dec. 20.	West Newbury.	P.
F. Lincoln Davis,	'93, Nov. 8.	'94, April 17.	Acushnet.	P.
John W. Dodge,	'60, Dec. 6.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Daniel T. Fiske,	'47, Aug. 18.	'47, Dec. 29.	Newburyport.	P. C.
George L. Gleason,	'66, Feb. 1.	'84, May 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Albert W. Hitchcock,	'91, Dec. 15.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Charles S. Holton,	'92, Nov. 30.	'97, Dec. 21.	Newbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Hubbard,	'68, Sept. 2.	'80, April 20.	West Boxford.	P. C.
Joseph Kimball,	'83, June 15.	'86, April 20.	*Hampton Falls, N. H.*	P.
John D. Kingsbury,	'56, Sept. 24.	'66, Oct. 17.	Bradford.	P. C.

6. ESSEX NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles E. Lord,	'44, May 8.	'90, Dec. 16.	Newburyport.	W. C.
John N. Lowell,	'77, Nov. 21.	'81, Feb 21.	Haverhill.	P.
Charles P. Mills,	'80, Sept. 23.	'80, Dec. 21.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Vincent Moses,	'87, Oct. 2.	'92, Dec. 20.	Bradford.	W. C.
Albert F. Newton,	'77, Sept. 5.	'98, Dec. 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Frederick B. Noyes,	'90, Oct. 28.	'92, April 19.	Chiltonville.	P.
Edwin B. Palmer,	'59, Sept. 20.	'76, June 20.	Winchester.	Tr. H. M.Soc.
Manasseh G. Papazian,	'90, May 28.	'90, Oct. 21.	*Aintab.*	Prof.
Myron O. Patton,	'94, May 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	Newburyport.	P. C.
John Pike,	'38, April 25.	'42, Oct. 31.	Rowley.	W. C.
Eugene L. Raiche,	'97, Oct. 19.	'98, Feb. 15.	Haverhill.	P. C.
George L. Richmond,	'87, Oct. 10.	'90, April 15.	Amesbury.	P. C.
Francis W. Sanborn,	'78, Dec. 18.	'85, Dec. 16.	Marblehead.	W. C.
George H. Scott,	'73, Sept. 8.	'88, Feb. 21.	*Atkinson, N. H.*	P.
Alexander Sloan,	'97, June 15.	'98, Oct. 18.	Groveland.	P.
Egbert C. Smyth,	'56, July 23.	'67, April 19.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
George L. Todd,	'87, April 13.	'93, April 18.	Merrimac.	P. C.
David C. Torrey,	'92, June 1.	'92, Dec. 20.	Byfield.	P. C.
C. Julian Tuthill,	'94, May 1.	'95, Dec. 17.	Georgetown.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Haverhill, scribe.

7. ESSEX SOUTH AND SALEM (ESSEX SOUTH, September 3, 1717; SALEM, October 15, 1840), Organized by union, December 1, 1885.

Harry C. Adams,	'89, Oct. 22.	'98, Jan. 11.	Danvers.	P. C.
Israel Ainsworth,	'80, April 11.	'89, May 14.	Rockport.	P. C.
William P. Alcott,	'68, Feb. 18.	'81, Sept. 13.	Boxford.	P.C. Linebrook.
James A. Anderson,	'89, Oct. 3.	'96, Mar. 10.	Peabody.	W. C.
Walter H. Ashley,	'78, Mar. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Manchester.	P.
William A. Bacon,	'95, Oct. 1.	'95, Nov. 12.	Shelburne Falls.	P. C.
S. Linton Bell,	'76, Jan. 5.	'81, April 1.	Marblehead.	P. C.
Emery L. Bradford,	'92, July 1.	'94, Jan. 9.	Boxford.	P. C.
James F. Brodie,	'82, Feb. 21.	'89, Nov. 12.	Salem.	P. C.
John W. Buckham,	'88, Aug. 9.	'91, Jan. 13.	Salem.	P. C.
Daniel E. Burtner,	'90, Sept. 25.	'98, Sept. 13.	Swampscott.	P.
DeWitt S. Clark,	'68, Nov. 11.	'79, June 2.	Salem.	P. C.
Edward Constant,	'83, Aug. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Ipswich.	P.
Arthur J. Covell,	'90, Oct. 21.	'98, Nov. 8.	Lynn.	P. C.
Lyndon S. Crawford,	'79, Aug. 20.	'84, Jan. 8.	*Broosa, W. Turkey.*	F. M.
Temple Cutler,	'61, Feb. 20.	'86, Sept. 26.	W. Gloucester.	P.
Hugh Elder,	'68, Jan. 29.	'68, April 7.		W. C.
James E. Enman,	'95, Dec. 31.	'96, Mar. 10.	Magnolia.	W. C.

7. Essex South and Salem (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Edward C. Ewing,	'63, Nov. 5.	'83, Nov. 1.	Danvers Centre.	P. C.
George E. Freeman,	'58, Oct. 6.	'96, Mar. 10.	Lynnfield.	P. C.
Curtis M. Geer,	'90, June 25.	'95, Mar. 12.	*Lewiston, Me.*	W. C.
Willis A. Hadley,	'78, Aug. 21.	'94, May 9.	Southbridge.	P. C.
George A. Hall,	'86, April 13.	'86, Dec. 1.	Peabody.	P. C.
Rufus P. Hibbard,	'68, Aug. 4.	'88, Sept. 11.	Gloucester.	P. C.
George A. Jackson,	'72, Sept. 26.	'79, Jan. 14.	Swampscott.	W. C.
John A. Johnson,	'92, Aug. 6.	'95, Mar. 12.	Lynn.	P.
Frederic I. Kelley,	'89, Dec. 30.	'90, Mar. 11.	Dracut.	P. C.
John C. Labaree,	'62, Feb. 4.	'96, Nov. 10.	Saugus.	P.
Warren P. Landers,	'91, Dec. 2.	'92, Mar. 8.	Somerville.	W. C.
O. T. Lanphear,	'49, Oct. 25.	'68, Feb. 11.	Beverly.	W. C.
Carl A. Lundgren,	'93, Aug. 17.	'94, May 9.	Waltham.	P.
Hugh McLeod,	'55, June 25.	'85, Jan. 13.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William C. Merrill,	'84, May 17.	'97, Nov. 9.	Lynn.	P.
Albert W. Moore,	'73, Jan. 22.	'84, Mar. 11.	Lynn.	P. C.
William J. Murray,	'79, April 28.	'89, Mar. 12.	Essex.	P. C.
Jesse G. Nichols,	'94, Sept. 13.	'95, Jan. 8.	Hamilton.	P. C.
George W. Osgood,	'78, Jan. 26.	'96, May 26.	Lynn.	P.
Albert B. Peabody,	'60, May 24.	'98, Nov. 8.	E. Boxford.	W. C.
Francis A. Poole,	'93, July 12.	'95, Jan. 8.	E. Weymouth.	P.
Aaron Porter,	'60, Nov. 20.	'88, Sept. 11.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank H. Reed,	'86, June 24.	'86, Dec. 1.	Lanesville.	P. C.
Charles B. Rice,	'59, Dec. 7.	'64, May 1.	Danvers.	Sect.
Jotham B. Sewall,	'55, Feb. 28.	'95, Mar. 12.	Boston.	P.
J. Henry Thayer,	'59, Dec. 29.	'60, Mar. 6.	Cambridge.	Prof.
Lewis J. Thomas,	'78, June 18.	'98, Sept. 13.	W. Peabody.	P.
W. Sherman Thompson,	'91, Oct. 14.	'97, Mar. 9.	Cliftondale.	P.
Francis J. Van Horn,	'93, Oct. 5.	'96, Mar. 10.	*Des Moines, Io,*	P. C.
Arthur N. Ward,	'79, Feb. 25.	'92, Jan. 12.	Somerville.	W. C.
T. Frank Waters,	'76, Oct. 23.	'79, Feb. 4.	Ipswich.	P. C.
Charles C. Watson,	'67, July 2.	'94, Jan. 9.	Lynn.	W. C.
Will C. Wood,	'68, Oct. 15.	'69, Jan. 12.	Boston.	W. C.

Stated Meetings. — Second Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Licentiate. — Peter A. Johnson, Pigeon Cove.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, scribe.

8. Franklin, Organized September 20, 1803.

G. Glenn Atkins,	'95, Jan. 2.	'95, Feb. 12.	Greenfield.	P.
George H. Bailey,	'67, Nov. 26.	'94, July 10.	Ashfield.	W. C.
Edgar F. Blanchard,	'94, Nov. 15.	'96, Feb. 11.	Warwick.	P.
Edward P. Butler,	'74, Oct. 20.	'90, June 12.	Sunderland.	P. C.
Andrew Campbell,	'96, Sept. 24.	'97, Feb. 9.	Medway.	W. C.
Silas P. Cook,	'70, Mar. 23.	'94, July 10.	Pittsfield.	W. C.

8. FRANKLIN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles M. Crooks,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Sept. 14.	Colerain.	P.
George L. Dickinson,	'76, Sept. 20.	'92, April 11.	Whately.	P. C.
Joseph A. Goodrich,	'96, Sept. 9.	'96, Sept. 15.	Shelburne.	P.
Edward O. Grisbrook,	'93, May 17.	'98, Nov. 8.	South Deerfield.	P.
Alpheus C. Hodges,	'81, Nov. 16.	'82, Feb. 14.	*Canaan Four C., N. Y.*	P. C.
Dorr A. Hudson,	'91, Sept. 9.	'94, May 8.	Millers Falls.	P.
Eugene F. Hunt,	'84, Nov. 18.	'96, Sept. 15.	Conway.	P.
William R. Joyslin,	'64, Feb. 4.	'97, Nov. 9.		W. C.
Thomas C. Kinne,	'75, June 28.	'93, Dec. 12.	Montague.	W. C.
Frank N. Merriam,	'92, Feb. 24.	'98, Sept. 13.	Turner's Falls.	P.
John A. Pogue,	'96, Jan. 28.	'96, May 12.	*Kensington, N. H.*	W. C.
Martin L. Richardson,	'61, Mar. 7.	'98, Nov. 8.	Montague.	P.
Edward A. Robinson,	'83, July 11.	'98, Sept. 13.	Buckland.	P.
Edward P. Seymour,	'92, Oct. 25.	'97, Sept. 14.	Wendell.	P.
Ira A. Smith,	'82, Sept. 27.	'88, Feb. 4.	Scotland.	P.
Frank Snowden,	'97, Sept 22.	'98, Nov. 8.	Heath.	P.
David H. Strong,	'85, June 16.	'88, Nov. 13.	Bernardston.	P.
Carey H. Watson,	'91, Dec. 30.	'93, July 5.	Greenfield.	P.
Lyman Whiting,	'43, Jan 11.	'90, May 13.	East Charlemont.	P.

Licentiate. — John C. Wightman.

STATED MEETINGS — Annual, second Tuesday in May. Other meetings, second Tuesdays in September, November, and February.

Rev. Andrew Campbell, Deerfield, scribe.

9. HAMPDEN, Organized February 13, 1894, by the union of Hampden West and East, which were formed June 11 and 12, 1844.

Simeon O. Allen,	'70, Dec. 1.	'91, Feb. 10.	West Springfield.	W. C.
Samuel B. Andrews,	'68, June 20.	'98, April 12.	West Granville.	P.
Edward P. Armstrong,	'81, Feb. 15.	'87, Feb. 8.	*Bay Shore, N. Y.*	P.
Stephen G. Barnes,	'81, April 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Longmeadow.	P. C.
Harlan P. Beach,	'83, July 19.	'93, Feb. 14.	*Montclair, N. J.*	Teacher.
Albert G. Beebee,	'54, June 20.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	W. C.
Lyman H. Blake,	'67, Nov. 14.	'81, Dec. 6.	Essex.	P. C.
Richard H. Bosworth,	'82, May 12.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry J. Bruce,	'62, Sept. 11.	'62, Nov. 11.	*Rahuri, India.*	F. M.
Collins G. Burnham,	'79, Dec. 10.	'89, May 14.	Chicopee.	P. C.
Hanford M. Burr,	'88, Oct. 24.	'90, May 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gardner S. Butler,	'77, Jan. 7.	'99, Feb. 21.	*Union, N. H.*	W. C.
Luther H. Cone,	'55, April 5.	'60, Feb. 7.	*New Haven, Ct.*	P. C. *Em.*
Allen E. Cross,	'92, Dec. 29.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward Day,	'86, Sept. 18.	'99, Feb. 21.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry A. Dickinson,	'63, Oct. 16.	'68, Feb. 11.	Huntington.	P.
Myron S. Dudley,	'71, Sept. 28.	'87, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
Allen C. Ferrin,	'96, June 30.	'97, July 13.	Blandford.	P. C.
Aaron W. Field,	'72, Nov. 13.	'81, Feb. 8.	New Marlboro.	P.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
G. Walter Fiske,	'98, Oct. 25.	'99, Feb. 21.	Huntington.	P.
Albert E. Fitch,	'96, Nov. 11.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Rensselaer, N. Y.*	P.
Everett D. Francis,	'95, Nov. 20.	'97, Feb. 9.	Ludlow.	P. C.
Frank L. Garfield,	'93, Feb. 21.	'9[illegible], April 11.	Feeding Hills.	P. C.
Lewis F. Giroux,	'89, April 17.	'89, Nov. 12.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Frank L. Goodspeed,	'87, June 29.	'95, April 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Harry O. Hannum,	'96, Sept. 16.	'98, Nov. 15.	Southwick.	P. C.
Fosdick B. Harrison,	'94, June 13.	'99, July 11.	Palmer.	P. C.
Franklin S. Hatch,	'76, May 7.	'89, Feb. 12.	Monson.	P. C.
Theron H. Hawks,	'55, Mar. 5.	'88, July 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Edward C. Haynes,	'82, April 18.	'95, Nov. 12.	Huntington.	W. C.
Timothy A. Hazen,	'54, Oct. 11.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Martin S. Howard,	'56, Nov. 20.	'69, Feb. 2.	Wilbraham.	P. C.
George H. Hubbard,	'84, Sept. 13.	'97, July 13.	Enfield.	P. C.
William T. Hutchins,	'76, Dec. 20.	'92, Nov. 7.	Indian Orchard.	W. C.
David L. Kebbe,	'91, June 17.	'91, July 14.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward H. Knight,	'83, July 25.	'83, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gerald Stanley Lee,	'88, Oct. 23.	'95, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	W. C.
Samuel H. Lee,	'62, Sept. 17.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	Pres. Coll.
John H. Lockwood,	'71, Nov. 5.	'79, Nov. 11.	Westfield.	P. C.
Clarence C. Lyon,	'90, Dec. 17.	'94, Nov. 13.	Monson.	W. C.
Harry C. McKnight,	'85, Oct. 7.	'98, July 12.	E. Longmeadow.	P.
F. Barrows Makepeace,	'73, June 19.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry B. Mason,	'92, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	N. Wilbraham.	P. C.
Samuel L. Merrell,	'50, Jan. 8.	'82, Nov. 14.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry C. Meserve,	'94, Mar. 14.	'94, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	P. C.
Philip S. Moxom,	'71, Sept. 19.	'96, Feb. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Egbert N. Munroe,	'81, May 4.	'89, Nov. 12.	Wellfleet.	P.
Charles Olmstead,	'83, Sept. 27.	'99, July 11.	Three Rivers.	P.
Charles Pease,	'96, Oct. 20.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Long Beach, Cal.*	W. C.
Sidney K. Perkins,	'80, July 20.	'94, July 10.	W. Springfield.	P.
Hervey G. Pillsbury,	'82, Sept. 28.	'95, July 9.	Chicopee Falls.	P. C.
Paul H. Pitkin,	'66, Sept. 11.	'82, May 9.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Abram J. Quick,	'64, Mar. 7.	'91, Nov. 10.	*Baltimore, Md.*	W. C.
David A. Reed,	'81, June 7.	'81, June 12.	Springfield.	Pres. S.C.W.
Edward A. Reed,	'71, June 14.	'88, Feb. 14.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Franklin P. Reinhold,	'98, July 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	Holyoke.	P.
Walter Rice,	'65, July 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Agawam.	P. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	'59, Oct. 25.	'95, April 9.	West Hawley.	P.
James B. Sargent,	'97, Sept. 15.	'98, April 12.	Hampden.	P. C.
Frank W. Sims,	'91, May 17.	'99, Feb. 21.	*Memphis, Tenn.*	P.
Alpheus M. Spangler,	'88, June 22.	'88, Nov. 13.	Mittineague.	P. C.
Frank M. Sprague,	'75, Sept. 22.	'82, May 9.	*Tampa, Fla.*	P.
Thomas S. St. Aubin,	'93, Oct. 1.	'98, Feb. 8.	Springfield.	P. C.
Wallace H. Sterns,	'98, July, 14.	'99, Feb. 21.	Granville Center.	P. C.
Richard L. Swain,	'84, Aug. 21.	'94, July 10.	S. Hadley Falls.	P. C.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William J. Tate,	'92, Nov. 16.	'93, April 11.	*Windsor Locks, Ct.*	W. C.
Arthur Titcomb,	'88, Oct. 31.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	W. C.
John L. R. Trask,	'67, Dec. 4.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	P. C.
James Tufts,	'44, Sept. 23.	'54, Feb. 2.	Monson.	W. C.
Rufus S. Underwood,	'67, Nov. 19.	'98, Feb. 8.	Longmeadow.	Evan.
Josiah G. Willis,	'76, Oct. 10.	'88, Nov. 13.	Holland.	P.
George W. Winch,	'75, Oct. 6.	'91, Nov. 10.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Herbert P. Woodin,	'92, June 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	Chicopee.	P.
Samuel H. Woodrow,	'88, Aug. 30.	'99, April 11.	Springfield.	P. C.

Licentiate. — 1897, James C. Greenough.

STATED MEETINGS. — In Springfield, second Tuesdays in February, April, July, and November.

Rev. Collins G. Burnham, Chicopee, scribe.

10. HAMPSHIRE, Organized before 1735.

John E. Bowman,	'95, Feb. 14.	'97, June 8.	Billerica.	W. C.
George H. Buck,	'94, July 5.	'94, Oct. 16.	Haydenville.	P.
Solomon Clark,	'41, June 13.	'61, Aug. 6.	*Chicago, Ill.*	W. C.
Elisha G. Cobb,	'60, June 20.	'67, Feb. 5.	Florence.	P. C.
John Cowan,	'75, May 25.	'98, Feb. 8.	Southampton.	P.
Harlan Creelman,	'89, Sept. 17.	'90, Feb. 11.	*New Haven, Ct.*	Prof.
Henry L. Edwards,	'57, July 12.	'85, Feb. 17.	Northampton.	W. C.
Charles H. Hamlin,	'76, Sept. 19.	'85, Oct. 27.	Easthampton.	P. C.
Calvin Keyser,	'75, Dec. 28.	'99, Feb. 21.	Goshen.	P.
Wm. J. Parmelee, M.D.	'84, Feb. 26.	'92, Feb. 2.	Worthington.	W. C.
Cyrus Pickett,	'67, Feb. 28.	'96, Oct. 20.	Northampton.	W. C.
John Pierpont,	'88, July 26.	'98, June 7.	Williamsburg.	P.
Harvey Porter,	'80, Aug. 3.	'80, June 1.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Prof. Coll.
Wilbur Rand,	'83, May 9.	'95, June 11.	Norwich.	W. C.
Henry T. Rose,	'70, May 29.	'95, Feb. 5.	Northampton.	P. C.
Joseph H. Sawyer,	'88, Sept. 3.	'80, June 1.	Easthampton.	Prof.
William C. Scofield,	'51, Oct. 15.	'95, June 11.	*Washington, D. C.*	W. C.
L. Clark Seelye,	'63, Jan. 20.	'75, Feb. 2.	Northampton.	Pres. Coll.
Samuel T. Seelye,	'46, June 17.	'64, Feb. 2.	Easthampton.	W. C.
Henry H. Smith,	'73, Sept. 7.	'94, June 5.	Huntington.	W. C.
Henry P. Smith,	'75, June 8.	'99, Feb. 21.	Amherst.	P.
Joseph W. Strout,	'86, June 29.	'95, Oct. 29.	Cummington.	P.
Hanson E. Thygeson,	'87, Nov. 2.	'95, Oct. 29.	Chesterfield.	P.
Arthur C. Townsend,	'91, June 10.	'92, Feb. 2.	Westhampton.	P. C.
Henry M. Tyler,	'72, May 6.	'84, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	Prof.
George N. Webber,	'55, Dec. 5.	'90, Oct. 28.	Northampton.	W. C.
Irving F. Wood,	'94, Mar. 6.	'96, June 2.	Northampton.	Prof. Coll.
Sumner G. Wood,	'80, Dec. 30.	'89, Feb. 9.	Easthampton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February and June, and third Tuesday of October.

Rev. E. G. Cobb, Florence, scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST, Organized November 16, 1841.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Warren H. Beaman,	'41, Sept. 15.	'41, Nov. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Robert C. Bell,	'69, Nov. 3.	'92, Dec. 6.	Granby.	P.
Daniel Bliss,	'55, Oct. 31.	'74, Sept. 22.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Pres. Coll.
Frederick H. Bodman,	'95, May 27.	'96, Dec 1.	*New Haven, Ct.*	W. C.
Edward P. Crowell,	*Licentiate.*	'65, Sept. 19.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
William E. Dickinson,	'60, Dec. 19.	'97, Feb. 3.	Amherst,	W. C.
Levi H. Elwell,	*Licentiate.*	'80, Dec. 21.	Amherst.	Inst. in Coll.
Henry Fairbank,	'86, May 27.	'85, May 26.	*Ahmednagar, India.*	F. M.
George E. Fisher,	'50, Feb. 27.	'67, Dec. 17.	No. Amherst.	W. C.
Eber W. Gaylord,	'73, May 13.	'90, Dec. 2.	No. Amherst.	P. C.
John F. Gleason,	'73, Jan. 7.	'95, May 28.	S. Amherst.	P.
Edwin A. Grosvenor,	'72, July 30.	'96, Feb. 4.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
Chester W. Hawley,	'61, May 2.	'99, Feb. 7.	Amherst.	P.
William D. Herrick,	'60, Jan. 18.	'84, Sept. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Charles E. Houghton,	'76, May 24.	'89, May 28.	Dana.	W. C.
Oliver Huckel,	'90, Sept. 10.	'96, May 26.	*Baltimore, Md.*	P. C.
Newton I. Jones,	'75, July 15.	'94, May 29.	Dudley.	P.
Edward E. Keedy,	'94, Oct. 16.	'94, Dec. 4.	Hadley.	P.
John W. Lane,	'60, Oct. 16.	'61, Jan. 9.	North Hadley.	P. C.
George Lyman,	'51, Nov. 12.	'70, Dec. 20.	*Riverside, Cal.*	W. C.
Henry R. McCartney,	'87, June 25.	'98, Dec. 6.	Amherst.	P. C.
George J. Newton,	'97, July 22.	'98, Feb. 6.	Boston.	W. C.
Arthur B. Patten,	'94, Feb. 1.	'97, Dec. 7.	S. Hadley.	P. C.
Lawrence Perry,	'94, May 10.	'96, May 26.		W. C.
Charles S. Walker,	'71, Aug. 1.	'81, Sept. 20.	Amherst.	Pr. of Ag. Coll.
Edward C. Winslow,	'81, Nov. 2,	'96, May 26.	Amherst.	W. C.
Robert M. Woods,	'77, Nov. 21.	'77, Dec. 4.	Hatfield.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Edward P. Crowell, re-licensed Sept. 21, 1897; W. L. Montague, re-licensed Dec. 6, 1898; L. H. Elwell, re-licensed Dec. 1, 1896.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, June, and December, and third Tuesday of September.

Rev. Geo. E. Fisher, North Amherst, scribe.

12. MENDON, Organized November 8, 1751.

John F. Crosby,	'92, Mar. 30.	'94, Dec. 4.	*Dover, N. H.*	W. C.
Nathan T. Dyer,	'78, July 31.	'90, Dec. 9.	Ashburnham.	P.
Joseph M. R. Eaton,	'45, Jan. 9.	'71, Mar. 14.	*Redlands, Cal.*	W. C.
James W. Flagg,	'82, Oct. 25.	'93, June 13.	Foxboro.	P.
Rufus K. Harlow,	'68, Oct. 15.	'72, June 11.	Medway.	P. C.
Edward C. Hood,	'74, May 8.	'96, Dec. 1.	Hingham.	W. C.
Alexis W. Ide,	'59, July 7.	'72, June 12.	West Medway.	W. C.
Ephraim O. Jameson,	'60, Mar. 1.	'72, June 11.	Boston.	W. C.
Franklin C. Jones,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, April 7.	Dover.	P.
Charles W. Longren,	'87, Aug. 24.	'95, Feb. 12.	*Boulder, Col.*	P.
Francis J. Marsh,	'76, Mar. 26.	'82, Mar. 14.	Boston.	W. C.

12. MENDON (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Edson J. Moore,	'61, April 1.	'86, Sept. 21.	Norfolk.	P.
Benjamin F. Perkins,	'65, Nov. 22.	'98, Oct. 4.	E. Walpole.	P.
Leroy M. Pierce.	'70, Feb. 4.	'98, Apr. 5.	Medfield.	P.
Frank C. Putnam,	'94, Sept. 12.	'94, Oct. 2.	*Woodstock, Vt.*	P. C.
William L. Ropes,	'53, Sept 14.	'53, Oct. 11.	Andover.	Librarian.
Herman F. Swartz,	'98, July 27.	'98, Dec. 6.	Mansfield.	P. C.
Thomas J. Volentine,	'70, Oct. 13.	'99, April 4.	Boston.	W. C.
Horace Wellington,	'47, Oct.	'89, Dec. 10.	Roxbury.	W. C.
Albert H. Wheelock,	'88, July 3.	'94, Mar. 13.	Millis.	P.
Webster Woodbury,	'68, Sept. 29.	'88, June 13.	Milford.	P. C.
George F. Wright,	'75, July 14.	'98, Oct. 4.	*N. New Portland, Me.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, April, October, and December.

Rev. Rufus K. Harlow, Medway, scribe.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH, Organized June 7, 1830.

Daniel E. Adams,	'60, Dec. 5.	'86, Dec. 7.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
George M Adams,	'51, Sept. 18.	'73, Sept. 9.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Edward E. Bradley,	'93, June 20.	'94, Dec. 4.	Lincoln.	P. C.
Merle A. Breed,	'93, Nov. 21.	'97, May 4.	Westboro.	P. C.
S. Ingersoll Briant,	'68, April 22.	'99, Feb. 7.	Westboro.	W. C.
George A. Brock,	'91, June 29.	'92, May 3.	*Lockport, N. Y.*	P.
Irving A Burnap,	'92, Sept. 15.	'97, Dec. 7.	S. Natick.	P.
Edward H. Chandler,	'92, Nov. 9.	'97, Sept. 21.	Wellesley.	P. C.
Edward L. Chute,	'80, July 20.	'85, Sept. 14.	Ware.	P.
Edmund Dowse,	'38, Oct. 10.	'39, Feb. 5	Sherborn.	P. C.
Horace Dutton,	'68, Jan. 21.	'75, Sept. 21.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Lucius R. Eastman,	'62, May 1.	'71, Dec. 2.	Framingham.	P. C.
Fred E. Emrich,	'75, Sept. 16.	'90, Sept. 16.	So. Framingham.	P. C.
Prescott Fay,	'56, Feb. 27.	'96, Feb. 4.	Saxonville.	W. C.
Lincoln B. Goodrich,	'93, June 29.	'97, Sept. 21.	Marlboro.	P. C.
Robert F. Gordon,	'76, May 12.	'90, Feb. 4.	Boston.	P.
Theodore J. Holmes,	'59, Oct. 5.	'94, Sept. 18.	*Portsmouth, N. H.*	W. C.
Thomas C. Jackson,	'82, Aug.	'95, Sept. 17.	Maynard.	W. C.
Martin F. Mevis,	'93, Sept. 18.	'94, May 1.	Southboro.	P.
Francis N. Peloubet,	'57, Dec. 2.	'72, Feb. 6.	Auburndale.	W. C.
William G. Puddefoot,	'88, Jan. 29.	'98, Dec. 6.	S. Framingham.	W. C.
Clarence W. Rouse,	'90, Dec 4.	'95, Dec. 3.	S. Sudbury.	P. C.
Albert D. Smith,	'88, Oct. 4.	'97, Feb. 2.	Northboro.	P.
Frederic E. Sturgis,	'68, Oct. 1.	'86, May 6.	Natick.	P. C.
Charles L. Tomblen,	'77, Aug. 30.	'95, Dec. 3.	N. Middleboro.	P.
Nicholas Vander Pyl,	'93, Sept. 13.	'96, May 5.	Holliston.	P. C.
Harvey Woodward,	'74, April 20.	'98, Sept. 20.	Natick.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, May, and December, third Tuesday in September.

Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wellesley Hills, scribe.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION, Organized January, 1827.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James M. Bell,	'58, July 21.	'93, Nov. 21.	N. Leominster.	P.
Herbert W. Boyd,	'86, Nov. 5.	'98, Nov. 15.	Ashby.	P. C.
Henry E. Bray,	'89, Jan. 30.	'93, Jan. 17.	Stoughton.	W. C.
Charles S. Brooks,	'69, Sept. 15.	'87, Sept. 20.		W. C.
Wilson R. Buxton,	'94, May 2.	'94, Nov. 20.	So. Acton.	P.
Walter W. Campbell,	'90, Nov. 12.	'90, Nov. 18.	Concord.	W. C.
William O. Conrad,	'90, June 8.	'98, May 24.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
Bernard Copping,	'79, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 17.	Acton.	P. C.
Amelia A. Frost,	'94, Feb. 14.	'94, Nov. 20.	Littleton.	P. C.
George B. Frost,	'83, June 7.	'94, May 22.	Littleton.	W. C.
Henry H. Gay,	'89, April 16.	'92, Mar. 15.	Groton.	W. C.
Edward L. Gulick,	'89, Dec. 3.	'91, Sept. 15.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Horace F. Hallett,	'91, July 7.	'96, Jan. 21.	Ayer.	P.
Charles S. Haynes,	'94, May 23.	'97, Sept. 21.	Lancaster.	P. C.
George R. Hewitt,	'86, June 4.	'95, Mar. 19.	Lowell.	P.
Edwin R. Hodgman,	'49, May 17.	'51, May 6.	Townsend.	W. C.
Henry M. Holmes,	'65, May 10.	'79, Jan. 7.	Provincetown.	W. C.
Alfred S. Hudson,	'67, Dec. 19.	'84, Dec. 30.	Ayer.	P.
John E. B. Jewett,	'51, Sept. 10.	'61, May 7.	Pepperell.	W. C.
William C. Martyn,	'98, Nov. 29.	'99, Mar. 21.	Boxboro.	P. C.
Lyman Mevis,	'91, Oct. 1.	'99, Mar. 21.	Townsend.	P.
Joel D. Miller,	'66, April.	'71, July 5.	Leominster.	Editor.
Frank E. Mills,	'78, Nov. 13.	'98, Mar. 15.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Horace Parker,	'61, May 31.	'64, Mar. 1.	W. Tisbury.	P.
Elijah H. Roper,	'97, Oct. 27.	'98, Jan. 17.	Westford.	P.
Charles H. Rowley,	'81, Feb. 23.	'86, Mar. 2.	Harwich.	P.
Geo. R. W. Scott,	'68, Sept. 17.	'81, Jan. 11.	Newton.	W. C.
Charles H. Talmage,	'82, Sept. 17.	'98, May 24,	Cambridge.	W. C.
George A. Tewksbury,	'63, Dec. 21.	'95, Sept. 17.	Concord.	P.
Nathan Thompson,	'65, Sept. 13.	'77, Sept. 4.	*Cheltenham, Md.*	W. C.
Ole O. Thorpe,	'94, Mar. 1.	'96, Jan. 21.	Concord.	P. C.
J. Brainerd Thrall,	'78, Dec. 8.	'98, Sept. 20.	Pepperell.	P.
Charles C. Torrey,	'55, Sept. 7.	'86, Sept. 21.	Andover.	W. C.
Joseph Torrey,	'60, May 30.	'94, Jan. 16.	Shirley.	P.
Louis B. Voorhees,	'71, Dec. 6.	'94, May 22.	Groton.	P. C.
David Wallace,	'94, Aug. 22.	'97, Sept. 21.	Lunenburg.	P.
Bartlett H. Weston,	'90, May 29.	'90, May 20.	Centerville.	P.
Franklin P. Wood,	'71, July 24.	'73, May 6.	Acton.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. William J. Batt, scribe and treasurer.

15. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION, Organized May 11, 1811.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Alexander,	'91, Oct. 29.	'96, April 21.	*England.*	W. C.
Henry Clay Alvord,	'79, Sept. 10.	'87, Feb. 15.	South Weymouth.	P. C.
Edward Anderson,	'58. Oct. 13.	'98, Dec. 20.	Quincy.	P.
George Benedict,	'83, Oct. 9.	'98, Dec. 20.	North Abington.	P.
E. Victor Bigelow,	'91, Sept. 24.	'91, Dec. 15.	Cohasset.	P. C.
Frank E. Butler,	'87, June 22.	'96, Dec. 15.	South Weymouth.	P.
Edward C. Camp,	'94, Oct. 10.	'99, April 18.	Whitman.	P.
Almon J. Dyer,	'86, June 4.	'98, Feb. 15.	Sharon.	P. C.
Daniel Evans,	'91, May 26.	'91, Dec. 15.	Cambridge,	P. C.
Wilson S. Fritch,	'93, April 22.	'96, June 16.	Attleboro.	P. C.
Augustus H. Fuller,	'78, Oct. 17.	'95, Feb. 19.	South Easton.	P.
Edwin N. Hardy,	'90, Nov. 6.	'95, Dec. 17.	Quincy.	P. C
Calvin G. Hill,	'72, Sept. 5.	'84, June 10.	Milton.	W. C.
Charles A. Hilton,	'73, June 9.	'94, Feb. 20.	Randolph.	P. C.
Alan Hudson,	'92, Dec. 28.	'93, April 18.	Brockton.	P. C.
Henry S. Huntington,	'66, Jan. 31.	'91, Oct. 17.	Milton.	P.
Robert R. Kendall,	'78, Jan. 30.	'92, Dec. 20.	Weymouth Heights.	P. C.
Joseph Kyte,	'62, Sept. 25.	'96, Feb. 18.	S. Braintree.	W. C.
John M. Lord,	'51, Dec. 21.	'93, Dec. 19.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Warren F. Low,	'94, Sept. 4.	'95, Feb. 19.	Holbrook.	P. C.
Samuel Morrison,	'65, Oct. 24.	'90, Oct. 28.	Braintree.	W. C.
Edwin L. Noble,	'96, May 18.	'98, June 14.	Neponset.	P. C.
Edward Norton,	'64, Dec. 28.	'75, Jan. 26.	Quincy.	P.
Frank H. Palmer,	'80, Sept. 28.	'86, April 20.	Braintree.	W. C.
Frank Park,	'95, July 16.	'99, April 18.	Beechwood.	P.
Albert F. Pierce,	'77, Sept. 3.	'99, April 18.	Campello.	P. C.
Elbert S. Porter,	'83, Dec. 19.	'89, Oct. 29.	Bridgewater.	P C.
Caleb L. Rotch,	'79, Oct. 9.	'97, Oct. 26.	*Lincoln, Me.*	P.
Henry S. Snyder,	'85, Oct. 28.	'98, Feb. 15.	Weymouth.	P.
Albert K. Teele,	'45, July 15.	'52, April 27.	Milton.	P. Em.
Thomas H. Vincent,	'89, Feb. 6.	'97, Dec. 28.	N. Weymouth.	P.
Isaac C. White,	'50, Oct. 23.	'90, June 10.	Plymouth.	W. C.
Granville Yager,	'76, June 20.	'98, Dec. 20.	E. Bridgewater.	P.

Licentiate. — Edward O. Grover, Arlington, May 8, 1873.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesday in October, third Tuesdays in December, February, and April, and second Tuesday in June.

Rev. Robert R. Kendall, Weymouth Heights, scribe and treasurer.

16. OLD COLONY, Organized August 18, 1810.

Harry L. Brickett,	'83, May 23.	'96, Feb. 12.	Marion.	P. C.
William Carruthers,	'58, June 16.	'92, Feb. 10.	Holyoke.	C. M.
John Graham,	'90, Jan. 17.	'90, Feb. 12.	*Sheldon, Vt.*	P.
Henry M. Grant,	'63, Nov. 17.	'79, Oct. 22.		W. C.
Ivory H. B. Headley,	'77, Jan. 4.	'80, April 28.	Roslindale.	Evan.
Charles F. Hersey,	'93, Jan. 25.	'94, Nov. 14.	New Bedford.	W. C.
Robert Humphrey,	'83, July 17.	'97, Feb. 10.	Mattapo sett.	P.

16. Old Colony (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Matthew C. Julien,	'72, Dec. 11.	'78, July 30.	New Bedford.	P. C.
John A. MacColl,	'83, Jan. 31.	'90, Feb. 12.	New Bedford.	P. C.
Robert L. Rae,	'89, Oct. 14.	'90, Feb. 12.	Brockton.	P.
George W. Stearns,	'83, Aug. 1.	'95, Nov. 13.	Middleboro.	P. C.
Richard G. Woodbridge,	'81, April 6.	'94, Nov. 14.	Middleboro.	P. C.
I. Herbert Yeoman,	'77, Jan. 25.	'98, Nov. 11.	Wareham.	P.

Stated Meetings. — Second Wednesdays in February, May, and November.

Rev. Robert L. Rae, 12 Argyle avenue, Brockton, scribe.

17. Plymouth, Organized May 18, 1858.

Haig Adadourian,	'97, Nov. 3.	'97, Nov. 16.	Manomet.	P.
Charles S. Bates,	'90, June 6.	'97, Nov. 16.	Hanson.	P.
John W. Brownville,	'73, Dec. 18.	'85, Nov. 17.	Erving.	P.
Seelye Bryant,	'90, Oct. 1.	'97, Nov. 16.	Scituate.	P. C.
Austin S. Chase,	'76, Dec. 14.	'93, May 8.	*E. Hartford, Ct.*	W. C.
Zenas Crowell,	'77, Dec. 19.	'86, Nov. 16.	Kingston.	P. C.
Ernest C. Davis,	'94, Dec. 5.	'95, Nov. 19.	*Newcastle, N. H.*	P.
Oscar F. Davis,	'95, Jan. 16.	'95, Nov. 19.	*Neligh, Neb.*	W. C.
Alfred DeBarritt,	'95, May 31.	'97, Nov. 16.	*Havana, Cuba.*	P.
Washington H. Forbes,	'81, July 1.	'98, Oct. 25.	North Carver.	P.
Vaola J. Hartshorne,	'65, Jan. 16.	'91, Nov. 17.	Lakeville.	P.
Edward N. Kirby,	'85, Apr. 19.	'97, Nov. 16.	*Washington, D. C.*	P.
Frederic W. Manning,	'91, Dec. 31.	'92, Aug. 16.	Marshfield.	P. C.
Solomon G. Merrick,	'86, Sept. 2.	'96, Nov. 17.	Duxbury.	P.
Francis Moon,	'80, July 2.	'89, Nov. 19.	Chiltonville.	W. C.
Ernest W. Shurtleff,	'89, Nov. 16.	'92, Aug. 16.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	P. C.
John Wild,	'92, April 20.	'92, Aug. 16.	Hanover.	P.
George W. Wright,	'77, Dec. 5.	'93, Nov. 21.	Boston.	W. C.

Licentiate. — James J. Thomas, Halifax.

Stated Meetings. — Third Tuesdays in February, May, August, and November.

Rev. Zenas Crowell, Kingston, scribe.

18. Suffolk North, Organized July 2, 1822.

Milan C. Ayres,	'74, May 30.	'85, Feb. 15.	Newton Center.	Editor.
David N. Beach,	'76, June 15.	'85, Feb. 17.	*Denver, Colo.*	P. C.
Reuben A. Beard,	'79, Sept. 10.	'98, Jan. 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Joseph P. Bixby,	'62, April 30.	'79, Sept. 16.	Revere.	W. C.
Howard A. Bridgman,	'90, Nov. 19.	'87, Dec. 13.	Brookline.	Editor.
G. Wolcott Brooks,	'77, Oct. 10.	'85, April 21.	Dorchester.	P.
Robert C. Bryant,	'95, June 4.	'99, Jan. 31.	Boston.	W. C.
Samuel C. Bushnell,	'79, June 4.	'90, May 28.	Arlington.	P. C.
Charles M. Carpenter,	'90, April 22.	'95, Feb. 6.	Cambridge.	P.
Samuel M. Cathcart,	'96, Dec. 1.	'97, May 25.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Charles F. Crathern,	'86, Sept. 1.	'93, Dec. 6.	Braintree.	P.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
George Darling,	'50, July 12.	'93, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William C. Detling,	'97, Mar. 3.	'95, Oct. 30.	Chelsea.	P.
M. Angelo Dougherty,	'69, June 15.	'87, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Walter S. Eaton,	'91, April 26.	'94, Feb. 7.	Revere.	P. C.
Robert E. Ely,	'90, Dec. 11.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridgeport.	W. C.
William B. Forbush,	'92, Feb. 17.	'98, Sept. 27.	Boston.	P. C.
George H. Gutterson,	'78, Dec. 3.	'95, June 10.	Winchester.	Sect.
Stephen H. Hayes,	'54, Aug. 20.	'71, Feb. 21.	Boston.	W. C.
Sam'l E. Herrick,	'63, Oct. 13.	'65, Feb. 21.	Boston.	P. C.
John V. Hilton,	'60, July.	'77, Dec. 18.	*Boulder, Col.*	W. C.
Elijah Horr,	'67, Apr. 21.	'97, Nov. 30.	Malden.	W. C.
Ross C. Houghton,	'69, April 18.	'95, June 10.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Charles E. Jefferson,	'87, Sept. 29.	'87, Dec. 13.	*New York.*	P. C.
Frank H. Kasson,	'79, Nov. 13.	'83, Sept. 18.	Boston.	Editor.
Horace H. Leavitt,	'73, June 19.	'95, Feb. 6.	Somerville.	P. C.
Duncan McDermid,	'86, Oct. 28.	'93, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
Robert A. MacFadden,	'96, June 16.	'98, Sept. 27.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Richard H. McGown,	'82, Mar. 7.	'97, Mar. 30.	Everett.	P.
Alexander McKenzie,	'61, Aug. 28.	'67, April 16.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Peter McQueen,	'91, May 8.	'93, Oct. 4.	*Manila.*	P. C.
Sylvester S. Nickerson,	'76, Dec. 26.	'89, Sept. 25.	Boston.	P.
Charles L. Noyes,	'80, Mar. 29.	'83, Feb. 20.	Somerville.	P. C.
Leonard S. Parker,	'38, Dec. 16.	'87, Feb. 8.	North Cambridge.	A. P.
Lawrence Phelps,	'78, Sept. 5.	'92, April 5.	Leominster.	W. C.
Charles H. Pope,	'65, July 27.	'97, Mar. 30.	Charlestown.	P.
Edward G. Porter,	'68, Oct. 1.	'69, Dec. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Frank E. Ramsdell,	'91, June 30.	'97, May 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Edward K. Rawson,	'72, Oct. 9.	'83, April 10.	*Annapolis, Md.*	Chaplain.
James H. Ross,	'78, Feb. 22.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Isaiah W. Sneath,	'84, Feb. 27.	'89, Mar. 26.	Franklin.	P C.
Alfred E. Stembridge,	'92, Mar. 28.	'98, Sept. 27.	Arlington Heights.	P.
William I. Sweet,	'87, April 19.	'98, May 31.	Everett.	P.
Edward Sampson Tead,	'78, Sept. 17.	'86, Feb. 12.	Somerville.	P. C.
Calvin Terry,	'46, Dec. 20.	'61, June 18.	North Weymouth.	W. C.
Charles F. Thwing,	'79, Sept.	'79, Dec. 16.	*Cleveland, O.*	Pres.
Arthur Truslow,	'96, Sept. 30.	'98, Jan. 25.	Hingham.	P.
Robert W. Wallace,	'72, Jan. 26.	'97, Nov. 30.	Somerville.	P. C.
George Washburn,	'63, July 29.	'78, Oct. 13.	*Constantinople.*	Pres. Coll.
Albert Watson,	'71, June 27.	'94, Feb. 7.	*Windham, N. H.*	P.
Albert E. Winship,	'75, Mar. 17.	'76, June 13.	Somerville.	Editor.
James C. Young,	'91, Aug. 25.	'97, Nov. 30.	E. Boston.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Charles R. Blood, 1898; George E. Kinney, 1898.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. Frank E. Ramsdell, Cambridge, scribe.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH, Organized January 27, 1829.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Allbright,	'79, June 6.	'91, Mar. 11.	Dorchester.	P.
Charles H. Beale,	'80, April 5.	'95, Jan. 16.	Roxbury.	P. C.
William T. Beale,	'82, June 7.	'99, May 10.	Dorchester.	P.
Warren F. Bickford,	'76, June 20.	'92, May 11.	Islington.	S.
George M. Boynton,	'63, Oct. 28.	'80, Nov. 10.	Newton Center.	Sec.
William R. Campbell,	'81, Oct. 12.	'81, Nov. 9.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Francis E. Clark,	'76, Oct. 19.	'84, Jan. 16.	Auburndale.	Y. P. S. C. E.
Alfred E. Colton,	'84, May 28.	'99, Nov. 8.	Dorchester.	Sect.
Perley B. Davis,	'62, Jan. 29.	'63, July 7.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Morton Dexter,	'73, April 30.	'84, Mar. 12.	Boston.	Editor.
Charles A. Dinsmore,	'85, July 20.	'96, Mar. 18.	South Boston.	P. C.
Albert E. Dunning,	'70, Sept. 29.	'71, Jan 2.	Boston.	Editor.
Percy H. Epler,	'98, May 26.	'98, Sept. 14.	South Boston.	Asst. P.
Solomon P. Fay,	'49, Sept. 6.	'82, Mar. 8.	Dorchester.	W. C.
George H. Flint,	'94, Oct. 22.	'96, Jan. 15.	Boston.	Assist. P.
Addison P. Foster,	'66, Oct. 3.	'86, May 4.	Auburndale.	Sect. A.S.S.U.
William Gallagher,	'74, Dec. 1.	'98, Jan. 12.	S. Braintree.	Prin.
Richard B. Grover,	'81, Oct. 4.	'92, May 11.	Roslindale.	P.
Benj. F. Hamilton,	'65, June 28.	'72, Mar. 12.	Roxbury.	W. C.
John A. Hamilton,	'61, Jan. 29.	'85, May 13.	Newton.	Sec. A. E. S.
Hiram Houston,	'50, Sept. 25.	'90, Mar. 12.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Henry N. Hoyt,	'76, May 22.	'98, May 11.	Hyde Park.	P. C.
Albion H. Johnson,	'65, Oct. 13.	'83, May 9.	Hyde Park.	P.
William S. Kelsey,	'85, May 27.	'99, May 10.	Boston.	Assoc. P.
John L. Kilbon,	'89, June 28.	'92, Sept. 14.	Newton Center.	Editor.
Frederick T. Knight,	'97, Oct. 5.	'97, Nov. 10.	Wollaston.	P.
Arthur Little,	'63, Mar. 16.	'89, Sept. 18.	Dorchester.	P. C.
Achilles L. Loder,	'77, May 8.	'91, Nov. 5.	Hyde Park.	P.
Samuel L. Loomis,	'80, Oct. 14.	'97, Sept. 29.	Boston.	P. C.
Charles D. Lothrop,	'54, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Ellis Mendell,	'79, June 4.	'80, May 12.	Boston.	P. C.
Frank W. Merrick,	'91, Oct. 12.	'91, Nov. 5.	W. Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Morgan,	'76, Mar. 15.	'95, Jan. 16.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Charles A. Perry,	'82, Nov. 16.	'96, Jan. 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
Albert H. Plumb,	'58, Nov. 10.	'85, Jan. 14.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Joseph B. Seabury,	'75, Sept. 8.	'85, May 13.	Dedham.	P. C.
Charles B. Smith,	'48, Nov. 12.	'79, July 9.	West Medford.	W. C.
Judson Smith,	'66, Oct. 17.	'85, Mar. 11.	Roxbury.	A.B.C.F.M.
George F. Stanton,	'66, June 6.	'90, Jan. 15.	Boston.	W. C.
Herbert W. Stebbins,	'83, Aug. 28.	'97, Sept. 29.	Boston.	W. C.
A. C. Thompson,	'42, July 27.	'42, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Eugene C. Webster,	'90, May 28.	'94, Sept. 19.	Neponset.	W. C.
Charles F. Weeden,	'88, April 4.	'96, Jan. 15.	Norwood.	P. C.
John H. Whitaker,	'93, Dec. 19.	'98, May 11.	Atlantic.	P.
Cyrus L. D. Younkin,	'93, April 8.	'92, Mar. 9.	Boston.	M.

Licentiate. — Arthur P. Pratt.

STATED MEETINGS — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. George H. Flint, Boston, scribe and treasurer.

20. SUFFOLK WEST, Organized January 8, 1867.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James L. Barton,	'85, June 29.	'97, Feb. 8.	Newton Cen.	A.B.C.F.M.
William E. Barton,	'85, June 6.	'93, June 12.	*Oak Park, Ill.*	P. C.
Adolph A. Berle,	'87, Sept. 14.	'91, Dec. 14.	Brighton.	P. C.
Douglas P. Birnie,	'85, Aug. 12.	'91, Feb. 9.	*Rye, N. Y.*	P.
Erastus Blakeslee,	'80, Feb. 17.	'94, Feb. 12.	Brookline.	W. C.
Ezra H. Byington,	'59, Feb. 23.	'91, Feb. 9.	Newton.	W. C.
George H. Cate,	'79, April 2.	'94, June 11.	Boston.	Sect.
Edward L. Clark,	'61, Aug. 8.	'93, April 11.	Boston.	P. C.
William H. Cobb,	'72, April 18.	'88, June 11.	Newton Cen.	Cong. Lib.
Calvin Cutler,	'62, Mar. 12.	'68, Feb. 4	Auburndale.	P. C. Em.
Charles H. Daniels,	'73, Nov. 20.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton. Sec.	A.B.C.F.M.
William H. Davis,	'77, July 5.	'96, Oct. 12.	Newton.	P. C.
Samuel W. Dike,	'69, Feb. 8.	'87, Oct. 11.	Auburndale, Sec.	N.D.R.L.
John M. Dutton,	'76, June 11.	'92, April 25.	*Newport, Vt.*	P. C.
Parris T. Farwell,	'83, Oct. 23.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	P. C.
Frank L. Ferguson,	'85, July 21.	'97, Oct. 11.	*Claremont, Cal.*	Pres. Coll.
Bradford M. Fullerton,	'68, Feb. 12.	'81, Dec. 18.	Brockton.	W. C.
Daniel L. Furber,	'67, Dec. 1.	'57, Jan. 16.	Newton Center.	P. Em.
George P. Gilman,	'72, Aug. 28.	'85, Oct. 6.	Waverly.	P.
George A. Gordon,	'77, Jan. 20.	'86, April 20.	Boston.	P. C.
Daniel Green,	'79, Dec. 18.	'94, Feb. 12.	Newton.	P.
William E. Griffis,	'77, May 31.	'86, Dec. 14.	*Ithaca, N. Y.*	P. C.
John O. Haarvig,	'83, Oct. 13.	'95, Dec. 9.	Allston.	P. C.
Harris G. Hale,	'91, Sept. 3.	'97, April 12.	Brookline.	P. C.
Charles E. Harrington,	'74, Oct. 27.	'95, Dec. 9.	Waltham.	P. C.
Charles E. Havens,	'81, Sept. 15.	'94, April 9.	Newton Highlands.	P. C.
George A. Hood,	'69, Sept. 30.	'96, Feb. 10.	Boston. Sec. C. C.	B. S.
Edwin Leonard,	'52, Mar. 25.	'93, Dec. 11.	Melrose Highlands.	W. C.
George A. Matthews,	'95, April 3.	'98, Dec. 19.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Darius A. Morehouse,	'65, June 18.	'90, Dec. 3.	Newton Center.	W. C.
Edward M. Noyes,	'83, Sept. 26.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton Center.	P. C.
Henry J. Patrick,	'54, Nov. 16.	'67, Jan. 8.	Newtonville.	P. C. Em.
George G. Phipps,	'68, Jan. 23.	'78, Dec. 10.	Newton Highlands.	W. C.
Edward C. Porter,	'84, June 24.	'90, Feb. 10.	Watertown.	P. C.
Theodore P. Prudden,	'74, Dec. 22.	'94, Dec. 10.	W. Newton.	P. C.
Isaac O. Rankin,	'80, July 21.	'96, June 8.	*Peekskill, N. Y.*	W. C.
Oliver D. Sewall,	'92, Sept. 27.	'97, Oct. 11.	Brookline.	Assist. P.
William S. Smith,	'54, April 27.	'74, Dec. 8.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Charles M. Southgate,	'70, Dec. 15.	'96, Feb. 10.	Auburndale.	P. C.
S. Lewis B. Speare,	'74, Jan. 30.	'96, Dec. 14.	Newton.	W. C.
E. Ellsworth Strong,	'59, April 10.	'67, April 8.	Auburndale.	Editor.
Reuen Thomas,	'58, Dec. 7.	'76, Feb. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Alexander S. Twombly,	'59, Feb. 10.	'93, April 11.	Newton.	W. C.
Avery S. Walker,	'57, June 15.	'95, Dec. 9.	Boston.	W. C.
Edwin B. Webb,	'50, Sept. 11.	'67, Jan. 8.	Wellesley.	P. Em.

Licentiates. — Arthur W. Kelley, Auburndale, renewed, 1897; Edward P. Kelley, Auburndale, renewed, 1893.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Mondays of February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. Ezra H. Byington, Newton, scribe.

21. TAUNTON, Organized November 21, 1826.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Wm. W. Adams,	'60, Jan. 26.	'64, Nov. 29.	Fall River.	P. C.
Franklin K. Beem,	'95, July 18.	'95, Nov. 13.	Berkley.	P. C.
Samuel V. Cole,	'89, Oct. 29.	'89, Nov. 13.	Norton.	Pres. Sem.
S. Hopkins Emery,	'37, Nov. 23.	'75, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	W. C.
Francis A. Fate,	'94, Nov. 1.	'98, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
Charles E. Harris, Jr.,	'94, Oct. 9.	'98, Nov. 9.	Norton.	P.
Elwin L. House,	'88, April 22.	'94, May 8.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Herbert K. Job,	'91, Oct. 28.	'92, Jan. 13.	*Kent, Ct.*	P. C.
Josiah W. Kingsbury,	'66, June 28.	'89, May 8.	Braintree.	W. C.
William Knight,	'86, Sept. 4.	'98, Nov. 9.	Fall River.	P. C.
Halah H. Loud,	'97, Dec. 16.	'98, Jan. 12.	E. Taunton.	P.
Frank L. Luce,	'95, Nov. 6.	'98, May 11.	Taunton.	P. C.
Payson W. Lyman,	'71, May 10.	'89, May 8.	Fall River.	P. C.
Henry G. Megathlin,	'96, Dec. 19.	'97, Jan. 13.	Fall River.	P. C.
Thomas F. Norris,	'79, April 13.	'97, Mar. 10.	*Riverside, R. I.*	P.
Sidney K. B. Perkins,	'60, Jan. 11.	'88, Jan. 11.	Raynham.	P.
Edward N. Pomeroy,	'68, Nov. 11.	'82, May 10.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Charles A. Ratcliffe,	'91, April.	'97, Mar. 10.	N. Attleboro.	P.
Samuel P. Rondeau,	'92, Nov. 22.	'98, Mar. 9.	Fall River.	P.
William F. Warren,	'78, Oct. 13.	'98, Nov. 9.	Freetown.	P.
Charles B. Wathen,	'83, June 14.	'98, Mar. 9.	Rehoboth.	P.
T. Clayton Welles,	'72, Oct. 25.	'92, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
John Whitehill,	'61, Dec. 11.	'69, Nov. 10.	Oldtown.	P.
Martin L. Williston,	'70, Mar. 3.	'97, Nov. 10.	N. Attleboro.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, and November.

Rev. Payson W. Lyman, Fall River, scribe and treasurer.

22. WOBURN, Organized September, 1833.

Charles Anderson,	'74, Sept. 2.	'74, Sept. 15.	*Constantinople.*	Robt. C.
William F. Bacon,	'67, Sept. 26.	'90, Feb. 4.	Medford.	W. C.
John Barstow,	'87, June 29.	'95, Feb. 19.	Medford.	P. C.
William J. Batt,	'59, Sept. 29.	'75, Nov. 16.	Concord Junc.	Chaplain.
Charles E. Beals,	'94, April 8.	'98, Nov. 1.	Stoneham.	P. C.
Theodore P. Berle,	'93, Oct. 3.	'93, Oct. 17.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Charles R. Bliss,	'59, April 28.	'62, Nov. 18.	Wakefield.	W. C.
Charles F. Carter,	'83, Sept. 13.	'97, Feb. 17.	Lexington.	P. C.
Wolcott Calkins,	'62, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Newton.	P.
Judson Van Clancy,	'87, Sept. 7.	'96, Mar. 17.	W. Medford.	P. C.
Joshua Coit,	'60, Nov. 13.	'89, Jan. 29.	Winchester.	H. M. Sec.
Eugene E. Colburn,	'75, Sept. 18.	'98, Nov. 15.	No. Reading.	P.
Marshall M. Cutter,	'68, Dec. 29.	'74, Nov. 17.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert P. Davis,	'94, Nov. 22.	'95, Feb. 19.	Wakefield.	P. C.
Walter A. Evans,	'86, June 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	*Granville, Ill.*	P.

22. WOBURN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James L. Fowle,	'78, July 3.	'98, Nov. 15.	Woburn.	F. M.
Henry H. French,	'86, April 25.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	P. C.
Henry H. Hamilton,	'72, Sept. 1.	'98, Nov. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Cyrus Hamlin,	'38, Oct 3.	'91, Dec. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	'67, Oct. 17.	'86, Mar. 16.	Wilmington.	P. C.
Robert W. Haskins,	'72, Oct. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Reading.	W. C.
Henry A. Hazen,	'58, Feb. 17.	'74, Sept. 15.	Auburndale.	Sec. N. C.
James L. Hill,	'75, Sept. 15.	'87, June 13.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank S. Hunnewell,	'88, June 27.	'99, Feb. 21.	Reading.	P. C.
Burke F. Leavitt,	'73, May 7.	'95, Jan. 29.	Melrose Highlands.	P. C.
Elihu Loomis,	'51, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Bedford.	W. C.
George E. Lovejoy,	'73, July 16.	'94, May 9.	*Pittsfield, N. H.*	P. C.
Thomas MacBriar,	'90, Jan. 15.	'98, Nov. 15.	Melrose.	W. C.
Daniel March,	'45, April 25.	'77, May 15.	Woburn.	P. C. Em.
Truman A. Merrill,	'58, July 14.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	W. C.
Robert D. Miller,	'56, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Malden.	W. C.
D. Augustine Newton,	'82, Sept. 21.	'85, Dec. 16.	Winchester.	P. C.
Isaac Pierson,	'70, Mar. 30.	'96, Oct. 8.	S. Medford.	P.
Doremus Scudder,	'85, June 17.	'95, Dec. 17.	Woburn.	P. C.
Thomas Sims,	'75, June 9.	'98, Nov. 1.	Melrose.	P.
Edwin Smith,	'65, Jan. 11.	'88, May 1.	Ballardvale.	P.
George H. Tilton,	'73, June 4.	'98, Nov. 15.	No. Woburn.	P.
Peter Vincentius,	'88, Aug. 19.	'89, Jan. 29.	East Boston.	P.
Joshua W. Wellman,	'51, June 18.	'74, Mar. 17.	Malden.	W. C.
William H. Willcox,	'50, Mar. 5.	'58, Jan. 19.	Malden.	W. C.
J. Christopher Williams,	'90, Feb. 23.	'99, Feb. 21.	Linden.	P.

Licentiate. — Albert V. Fisher.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, September, and November.

Rev. Albert P. Davis, Wakefield, scribe and treasurer.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL, Organized November 4, 1823.

August L. Anderson,	'86, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	Worcester.	P.
Thomas E. Babb,	'69, Jan. 19.	'94, April 3.	Holden.	P. C.
Orange C. Bailey,	'85, Oct. 13.	'94, Nov. 13.	Worcester.	P. C
Albert E. Bradstreet,	'88, Aug. 30.	'95, Nov. 12.	Oxford.	P.
Sherman W. Brown,	'93, June 6.	'96, Nov. 10.	Spencer.	P. C.
Albert Bryant,	'65, Sept. 20.	'86, Feb. 2.	Scituate Center.	W. C.
Edward M. Chapman,	'90, Sept. 9.	'93, Nov. 14.	Worcester.	P. C.
Arcturus Z. Conrad,	'85, June 2.	'90, Feb. 3.	Worcester.	P. C.
Amos H. Coolidge,	'57, April 21.	'67, July 7.	Worcester.	W. C.
Samuel B. Cooper,	'87, June 19.	'99, Feb. 7.	Boylston.	P.
Sidney Crawford,	'70, Dec. 8.	'93, Nov. 14.	Rutland.	P.
Joseph W. Cross,	'34, Oct. 1.	'41, Jan. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.

23. Worcester Central (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William N. T. Dean,	'75, Feb. 3.	'89, Feb. 5.	Orange.	W. C.
Austin Dodge,	'66, Oct. 6.	'90, Feb. 4.	Burlington.	P.
George S. Dodge,	'72, Aug. 16.	'78, May 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Dodge,	'83, Sept. 25.	'84, Feb. 5.	Worcester.	P.
Henry C. Fay,	'58, Dec. 28.	'81, May 2.	Somerville.	W. C.
Walcott Fay,	'84, Feb. 20.	'90, Feb. 4.	Nantucket.	P.
Samuel A. Harlow,	'82, Oct. 15.	'96, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Hurlbut,	'75, Mar. 24.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
William W. Jordan,	'84, Oct. 9.	'94, Nov. 13.	Clinton.	P. C.
Edward A. Lathrop,	'95, Nov. 26.	'97, April 6.	Shrewsbury.	P.
Alexander Lewis,	'90, May 28.	'96, April 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Joseph F. Lovering,	'60, June 17.	'88, April 3.	Somerville.	W. C.
Archibald McCullagh,	'71, May 2.	'91, April 27.	Worcester.	P. C.
Henry F. Markham,	'80, Sept.	'95, Nov. 12.	Berlin.	W. C.
John H. Matthews,	'91, May 5.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P.
Daniel Merriman,	'68, Sept. 30.	'78, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	P. C.
Eldridge Mix,	'60, Dec. 6.	'94, April 3.	Worcester.	C. M.
Ellsworth W. Phillips,	'91, Oct. 19.	'92, Feb. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles M. Pierce,	'63, Sept. 2.	'91, Feb 3.	Auburn.	P. C.
George H. Pratt,	'60, Oct. 11.	'94, Nov. 13.	Sterling.	P.
David C. Reid,	'84, July 29.	'96, April 7.	Leicester.	P. C.
Casper F. Scherff,	'76, April 9.	'90.	Clinton.	P.
Willard Scott,	'79, Oct. 29.	'99, Feb. 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
William T. Sleeper,	'54, June 29.	'54, Sept. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.
Rufus M. Taft,	'93, June 16.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	Evan.
Edwin S. Tingley,	'71, Feb. 1.	'85, May 5.	Milford.	W. C.
Albert G. Todd,	'90, June 10.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Tuttle,	'83, May 22.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
John Udd,	'96, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles A. White,	'73, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 10.	Princeton.	P.
Inman L. Willcox,	'89, Oct. 18.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P. C.

Stated Meetings. — First Tuesdays in February and April, and second Tuesday in November.

Rev. E. W. Phillips, Worcester, scribe.

24. Worcester North, Organized June 18, 1818.

James A. Bates,	'60, Sept. 19.	'99, April 25.	S. Royalston.	P.
Rolla G. Bugbee,	'76, Nov. 8.	'98, Jan. 25.	Athol.	P.
Joseph S. Cogswell,	'68, Nov. 14.	'94, Jan. 23.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
Preston R. Crowell,	'90, Sept. 4.		Phillipston.	P.
Francis J. Fairbanks,	'64, Aug. 31.	'95, July 9.	Royalston.	P.
Davis Foster,	'55, Nov. 1.	'69, Nov. 27.	Winchendon.	P. C.
John H. Garman,	'47, Nov. 3.	'66, Oct. 2.	North Orange.	W. C.
Burton S. Gilman,	'97, May 16.	'97, April 26.	Gardner.	P. C.

24. WORCESTER NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Edwin S. Gould,	'73, Oct. 1.	'94, Jan. 23.	*Providence, R. I.*	W. C.
John W. Hird,	'79, Mar. 19.	'91, April 28.	Baldwinville.	P.
Milan H. Hitchcock,	'57, Aug. 25.	'63, April 28.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert V. House,	'94, June 20.	'95, April 23.	New Salem.	P.
Gustavus W. Jones,	'69, May 27.	'91, April 28.	Winchendon.	P.
Gabriel B. Kambour,	'93, April 5.	'93, April 25.	Templeton.	P. C.
Francis B. Knowlton,	'65, Aug. 29.	'86, Jan. 26.	Athol.	W. C.
John W. Lees,	'70, Nov. 16.	'96, April 28.	Westminster.	P.
George J. Pierce,	'72, Aug. 8.	'82, April 25.	Phillipston.	W. C.

Licentiate. — Aubrey C. Gilmore.

STATED MEETINGS. — Fourth Tuesdays in January, April, and October, and second Tuesday in July.

Rev. Francis B. Knowlton, Athol, scribe.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH, Organized in 1818.

Frederic A. Balcom,	'82, Jan. 9.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Saylesville, R. I.*	P.
Ernest M. Bartlett,	'97, Oct. 19.	'98, June 14.	Northbridge.	P. C.
William A. Benedict,	'49, June 27.	'76, Oct. 10.	Newton Center.	W. C.
Henry A. Blake,	'76, Sept. 13.	'89, Oct. 8.	Webster.	W. C.
Frank L. Bristol,	'75, Oct. 25.	'88, Oct. 9.	Uxbridge.	P.
James H. Childs,	'75, Oct. 7.	'85, Jan. 13.	Northbridge.	P.
David M. Didriksen,	'92, July 13.	'92, Oct. 11.		W. C.
George P. Eastman,	'91, May 12.	'92, Jan. 12.	Millbury.	P. C.
John C. Hall,	'90, May 20.	'92, Jan. 12.	Sutton.	P. C.
David Howie,	'89, Feb. 27.	'94, Oct. 9.	Saundersville.	P.
Aaron B. Peffers,	'55, May 29.	'93, April 11.	Stoneham.	W. C.
Charles P. Pierce,	'98, Nov. 15.	'98, June 14	E. Douglas.	P.
George A. Putnam,	'60, Nov. 14.	'71, Oct. 17.	Millbury.	P. C.
Benjamin A. Robie,	'66, Mar. 22.	'84, Oct. 14.	Grafton.	W. C.
John R. Thurston,	'59, Jan. 20.	'72, Jan. 9.	Whitinsville.	P. C.
Alexander Wiswall,	'79, Sept. 24.	'94, Jan. 9.	Upton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in March, June, September, and December.

Rev. James H. Childs, Northbridge, scribe.

THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

REV. HENRY A. HAZEN.

This is not the first visit which the General Association has made to the vigorous young city of Brockton. We came here in 1887, and I am not sure that we have ever had the invitation repeated to any other town with so short an interval. It is worth adding, that this invitation came to us two years ago; and, what is rather rare, came without any previous suggestion that an invitation would be acceptable. The moderator of that Association was the Rev. Dr. Perkins, long the beloved pastor of Ware, and now living in honorable retirement at Worcester.

A committee was appointed of which Drs Quint, Rice, and Thurston were members, to consider and report upon the question raised by the action of the National Council the year previous, recommending that the record and report of ministerial standing be transferred to the conferences of churches. The report of this committee was adopted in 1888, recommending the conferences to make such changes in their rules as this new duty would call for. Ten years have passed, and only one conference, so far as known to the secretary, has taken any action on the subject. Brookfield has the matter in hand.

Our churches have followed the even tenor of their way, during the year, and few incidents call for special mention. One is that we have passed the 600 point in the number of our churches and report 601. The next State, on our roll, in number of churches, is Illinois with 361.

Massachusetts has been just 30 years in gaining 100 churches; and the coincidence is striking, that we were also just 30 years in gaining the previous hundred from 400 to 500. Our gain in membership has been larger, in proportion, than our gain in churches. Our 601 churches now report an average of 189 members each. In 1869, the 500 churches reported an average of 160 members; in 1839, the average membership was 145.

Our total membership is now 113,544, a gain of 589, not quite one member to each church. Ninety-seven of the churches report no additions. The total additions reported is 5,503, or an average of about 11 members each, to the 500 churches reporting additions. The additions on confession were 2,847; the removals by death, 1,740, a difference of 1,107.

Our Sunday Schools report a total membership of 120,581, a decrease from last year of 3,666.

The total of our benevolent contributions is $555,593, a sum smaller than last year by $53,880. The home expenditures reached the sum of $1,581,770, a decrease nearly as large as that of benevolences, $47,629. The falling off of benevolences reached every one of our eight columns. It was largest, nearly one half, in the gifts to home missions; and almost a quarter, in the education column. In the other six columns, it reached but a fraction more than one quarter of the whole.

We did not gain as much time as we ought, in fact, lost 2 or 3 days, in the date of completing our reports. That is not the kind of progress which Massachusetts owes to herself. Six conference reports came in January, Mendon as usual leading the column, followed by Barnstable, Worcester North, Hampshire, Worcester South, and Hampshire East. Brookfield came Feb. 1, and was followed in order by Berkshire South, Franklin, Norfolk, Hampden, Middlesex Union, Pilgrim, Worcester, Taunton, Middlesex South, Old Colony, Suffolk South, Woburn, Essex South, Andover, Suffolk West, Essex North, Suffolk North and Berkshire North; the two latter on the last day of February.

There is still reason to repeat, what for substance your secretary so many times has said that you are weary of the repetition, that there is no good reason why these reports from the churches should be thus drawn out over two months; that the six conferences, reporting in January, did more than as many more of the conferences might do, if they would, as several of them in previous years have done. And all might report the first week in February, if they would bring the same diligence and same methods to bear upon the problem which other conferences do.

Is there any word which can be said, anything which can be done, which will move these later reporting Conferences to do their work in one month? In this way only can Massachusetts do her part, in securing the issue of the Year-Book April 1, a step easily within our reach. When the churches will, it this will be done; not till then.

It is a pleasure to report the excellent session of the National Council, held in Portland, Or., in July. The number of delegates present was of course smaller than it would have been in an Eastern city, but a thoroughly representative delegation was present, and the current of discussion and action was of a high order. It is a satisfaction that our State delegation was full, needing only the appointment of two delegates on the ground, as our delegation is authorized, under the vote of the Association, to fill it. In all, twenty-five delegates from Massachusetts were present.

Under the action of the Council, two matters will call for your consideration. One is the appointment by this Association of delegates to the International Council which is to meet in Boston in September. The Council instructed the provisional committee to apportion the delegates, to the various States, in proportion to their church members. This has been done, and our assignment is seventeen.

I may add here that the arrangements for this great assembly are making good progress. We have assurance of a large and strong delegation from England, and there is no room for doubt, that the occasion will prove most inspiring and successful. It is a great honor to our State, that this Council comes naturally to the Bay State. The day after adjournment is to be devoted to a pilgrimage to Plymouth; and the members of our churches may well and widely join in a visit sure to be so memorable.

The Council, also, named a committee of fifteen, on missionary work,

"to devise plans for paying the debt of every society and for such increased gifts as shall make it possible to enlarge our work, at home and abroad. It shall also suggest such other measures, looking to a closer union in the presentation of our common work, as may seem expedient."

The plans of this committee are broad in their scope, and it is confidently hoped that its action may result in wise adjustments and enlargement of our missionary work, at home and abroad.

One of its duties is to secure the appointment of similar co-operative committees in the States and conferences throughout the country. And this Association will be asked to name a co-operative committee to consist of one representative from each conference, a duty which will, no doubt, receive your early and favorable attention.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treasurer, in account with the* GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY, 1899.

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1898.	
To cash on hand last report	$1,921 22
" receipts from Conferences	6,577 33
" interest	19 40
" stamps	2 96
Total	$8,520 91

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1898.	
By Rev. H. A. Hazen, salary	$500 00
" " " " stationery and postage	80 95
" Alfred Mudge & Son, printing Minutes	783 79
" Rev. Francis J. Marsh, postage and expenses	21 30
" Thomas Todd, telegram to the President	2 33
" Herbert N. Ackerman, Board of Pastoral Supply	4,023 27
" Rev. Clayton Welles, committee on Church Work, printing, etc.	14 58
" Samuel B. Forbes, treasurer National Council Congregational Churches	2,259 22
" Rev. James W. Flagg, expense attending annual meeting at Greenfield	5 00
" postage and stationery	6 14
" cash on hand	824 33
Total	$8,520 91

Amount of the apportionments not received from the different Conferences.

Barnstable, 1897		$10 05
Brookfield, 1898		18 35
Berkshire North, 1898		38 69
Essex North, 1898		22 37
" South, 1898		9 95
Hampden, 1898		55 58
Mendon, 1898		52 10
Middlesex South, 1898		9 17
Norfolk, 1897	$26 46	
" 1898	143 69	
	$170 15	
Paid,	25 00	
		145 15
Old Colony, 1895	$16 38	
" 1896	17 22	
" 1897	17 69	
" 1898	32 08	
		83 37
Suffolk North, 1898		162 38
" South, 1898		37 30
" West, 1898		19 69
Taunton, 1898		11 58
Worcester North, 1898		17 63
" South, 1898		33 18
Total		$751 54

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treas.*

BOSTON, May 15, 1899.

The Auditing Committee of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts have examined the accounts of the treasurer, Henry P. Emerson, and find that he has received eight thousand five hundred twenty and ninety-one one hundredths dollars ($8,520.91), and paid out seven thousand six hundred ninety-six and fifty-eight one hundredths dollars ($7,696.58), presenting proper vouchers for said payments, and has a balance on deposit with the Beacon Trust Company of eight hundred twenty-four and thirty-three one hundredths dollars ($824.33).

CHARLES E. SWETT,
J. H. TEWKSBURY,
Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES.

REV. STEPHEN G. BARNES, LONGMEADOW.

When the Committee on the Work of the Churches met this year, there was manifested a distinct unwillingness to take up any statistical inquiry, any investigation of mere methods. The feeling was generally and strongly expressed that we needed to go back of all ways and means to a consideration of the power of God, without which machinery is useless and burdensome. Conference with the Provisional Committee for this May meeting proved them to be of the same mind, and hence the program which is before you, with its central thought of "The Church as a Power," and its sub-topics, "The Source of the Power," "The Obtainment of the Power," "The Application of the Power." Circumstances, which it is not necessary to detail, prevented the sending out of the usual questions, and the accustomed gathering of views and facts from the churches, and therefore the Secretary, contrary to his expectation and intention, appears without any report of the kind with which you are familiar. The non-appearance of this ordinary report has been utilized by the committee as the occasion for a searching discussion of its purpose and methods; and, as a result, the Secretary brings from the committee a request for an important change of its constitution. It will be well to preface this recommendation by some consideration of the past history of this committee.

Its initiation is due to Rev. Dr. Daniel P. Noyes, a man of marked evangelical convictions and powers. His original plan was to bring, annually, before the churches of the Commonweath, the salient facts of their life and work, especially in relation to the unchristianized populations and the outlying districts, with the purpose of increasing the zeal for evangelistic work among people not ordinarily reached. This original object is apparent in the words of the rule describing the function of the committee; it is to make a report "upon the work of the churches and the state of religion." It is also apparent in the constitution of the committee, the membership consisting first and characteristically of the chairmen of the corresponding committees in the local conferences, the work through the whole State thus being provided with expert representation.

This line of report was followed for many years. But in the course of time the interest in this particular form of historical statement seemed to wane. Some of the conferences ceased to appoint committees on the work of the churches. A drift set in toward the consideration of special phases of church life and work, and the era of topics came in, the discus-

sion of the Sunday school, the Christian Endeavor Society, the employment of evangelists, and the like. This topical method has been pursued since 1882, with varying success. The questions sent out by the Secretary have received fairly representative answers, and the reports made on the basis of these replies compared favorably with the reports of any other committee. Yet the depressing fact was constantly in evidence, that the majority of the pastors left the questions quite unanswered. Criticism has been much more common than co-operation, and there has been increasing difficulty in selecting desirable topics and in formulating satisfactory questions. Again, the sphere of the committee's work has been considerably diminished by the appointment of special committees, six of which have places on the program of the present meeting. Not a few members of the Association have felt that the work of this committee, as of late conducted, could just as well be done by some other agency, — by the Provisional Committee, for example.

A further fact is that the Constitution of the committee has proved to be a source of discouragement and demoralization. There are forty-eight members, but full half of them never attend, and if a quarter of them appear at any one meeting it is a large representation. And this results from the nature of the case. The membership is so large that the individual member feels no special responsibility; most of the members live so far away from the place where any particular meeting is called, that they cannot afford either the time or the money required for attendance; the work actually done by the committee can be done quite as well by ten men as by fifty; the members are all busy men, with work on hand that is urgent, while this is not urgent. Why should any one expect their attendance? The result is that every meeting of the committee labors under the incubus of absenteeism and apparent neglect.

The suggestion has been freely made that the committee should be abolished as an archaic institution, a piece of machinery that now works so hard as not to pay for the steam necessary to make it go. The committee itself is hardly ready to recommend its own extinction. It is ready, however, to make some radical recommendations, looking toward greater efficiency and usefulness.

First, it proposes a return to the original and constitutional idea suggested by the phrase, "the work of the churches and the state of religion." It believes that this subject, when adequately treated, is one of great and general interest; that, if the Christian workers throughout the State can be persuaded to give hearty co-operation, if the vital facts can be secured in sufficient number to save the report from mere generalities, and genialities, it will be possible to present each year a narrative of the state of religion which shall be among the best "rousements" of the meetings. Such narratives are often greatly valued in the local conferences; why should they not be even more valuable in our State gatherings? The periodicals of the day do indeed give us many items of religious news. Yet who is there of us that would not be instructed and edified by a really comprehensive view of the religious work of the year, in which such items

and many others should find their places, so related and emphasized as to develop a State consciousness, which should match and supplement the consciousness of the individual church?

This return to the original idea of the committee requires no action on the part of the Association, but the accomplishment of another desired change must wait upon such action. The committee believe that their present constitution is so cumbrous as to be unworkable; so unreal as to be demoralizing. It is their judgment that its work can be done better by a small number of men who feel their responsibility than by a large number that feel no special responsibility. To secure the desired reduction of the number they would have no *ex-officio* members of this committee. They would recognize the various conferences by having their scribes made corresponding members, not required to attend the meetings, but expected to give hearty co-operation in the gathering of information. They would have the active members of the committee limited to nine, three to be elected each year, to serve for a period of three years. And they believe that a body so constituted could and would work in an atmosphere of evident faithfulness.

They therefore present to this Association the following recommendation, that Rule XI., Section 6, second sentence, be amended so as to read: This committee shall consist of nine members, three to be chosen each year, to serve for three years. The scribes of the local conferences shall be corresponding members of this committee.

If this amendment is adopted, we recommend that the Committee on the Work of the Churches, as now constituted, be discontinued, and that a new committee be chosen under the amended rule, three members to serve for one year, three for two years, and three for three years.

BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

To the General Association of Massachusetts:

The Congregational Board of Pastoral Supply respectfully presents its fifth annual report.

There have been held nine meetings of the Board of Directors. At most of these meetings the majority of the Directors have been present. Those who by reason of distance have been unable to attend with regularity have maintained their acquaintance with the doings of the Board. Careful consideration has been given to questions concerning the support and the policy of the Board and the administration of the office.

During the year ending at the first of May we have rendered service in matters connected with pastoral settlements to one hundred and fifty-two churches. This number is considerably larger than in any previous year. Of these one hundred and fifty-two churches there were in Massachusetts eighty-two, in Maine four, in New Hampshire thirteen, in Vermont ten, in Rhode Island three, in Connecticut five, in New York three, in New Jersey two, in Pennsylvania two, in Maryland one, in the District of Columbia one, in Virginia one, in South Carolina one, in South Africa one, in Ohio two, in Michigan one, in Illinois five, in Wisconsin two, in Minnesota two, in South Dakota two, in Iowa one, in Missouri one, in Colorado one, in Wyoming one, in California one, in Oklahoma two, in Oregon one, and in Nova Scotia one.

We make no account in this list of anything except that which has been done officially in direct response to requests from authorized representatives of churches. Any communications that may have been had with unofficial members of churches or parishes are not included; and we do not reckon here the furnishing of occasional or temporary supplies. It is not meant that pastoral settlements corresponding to this number of churches have been actually brought about in concurence with the work of our office; but definite official consultations relative to the filling of the pastorate have been had to the extent indicated. In some cases the effect of these consultations may perhaps have been adverse as to the engagement of particular men, a result not pleasing in itself, but sometimes in reality desirable. The number of actual settlements in which we have had an important share has been fifty-nine. Consultations with ministers relative to a change of pastorate or to the acceptance of calls are of continual occurrence, but no record is made of them.

Opportunities to preach with a view to settlement have been furnished to one hundred and fourteen men. In many cases the opportunities have been several times repeated. Of the men who have preached as candidates a full and large proportion were residents of Massachusetts.

In the case of churches that have received their candidates directly

from our office, the average number of such candidates that have been heard before a settlement has been reached has been two and seventy-four one hundredths. Eleven churches have taken the first candidate that has appeared before them. The average age of the men settled was a little less than thirty-eight years. This is an increase of nearly three years as compared with the figures of the last report.

Of the whole number of churches served by us in matters relative to the pastorate, there were twenty-nine having a membership of over three hundred, sixty having a membership of from one hundred to three hundred, and sixty-three having a membership of less than one hundred. Of these churches nineteen pay a salary of over $2,000, forty-seven a salary of between $1,000 and $2,000, and eighty-six of less than $1,000. An examination of these figures for the four years in which they have been given shows strikingly the general downward drift of salaries.

There has been a fair proportion of large churches in correspondence with our office, yet the relative numbers of the smaller somewhat predominate. These churches are the least able to afford the expense or to take the trouble of making inquiries and observations concerning the men who are under consideration as candidates. The assistance of our Board has been offered to them, as in the line of helpful fellowship from all the churches. The files of our office contain very numerous letters expressive of satisfaction with the measure of service which we have been able to render them.

The number of Massachusetts churches reckoned by us as without a pastor one year ago was forty-four. There are at present thirty-five pastoral vacancies. This must be the smallest number for many years. Four of these are very small churches that are making no effort to engage a pastor. Comparing with the corresponding figures for 1894, at the opening of our office, and throwing out in each case these very small churches — of which there were at that time six — we have the number of vacancies five years ago as fifty-three against thirty-one at the present time, which is a decrease of forty-one and five tenths per cent.

The business of the office in the furnishing of occasional supplies is probably less than may be commonly supposed. The whole number for the year has been three hundred and sixty-two, or an average of about seven for a Sunday. In the three months of July, August, and September the averages are larger; for some other months they are much less. The number of ministers ready on any Sunday to fill these appointments has been several times larger. The figures as thus given do not include the preaching of the secretary nor certain cases of supplying that were more or less permanent; and they do not include the preaching of those who were candidates for settlement.

The room occupied by our Board in the new Congregational House is pleasant and well suited to its use. All the additional furnishings required have been provided by the personal gift of two gentlemen, members of the Board. These furnishings include carpet, drawers for the filing of papers, a typewriter, valuable books of reference, with other much

needed articles, the cost of the whole being $233.42. Substantially the whole equipment of the office from the first has been provided in the same way, by individual gifts, without expense to the Board or the churches, — the cost having been about $400.

The account of H. A. Ackerman, treasurer of the Board, is as follows: —

Receipts: —

Office fees	$196 11
Preaching of secretary	537 25
From churches directly	220 43
From H. P. Emerson, treasurer, General Association	4,023 27
	$4,977 06

Expenditures: —

Office rent and janitor's services	$301 75
Lettering door and bulletin	13 20
Moving expenses	9 00
Advertising	31 20
Printing	11 50
Stationery and furnishings	31 97
Telegraph and telephone	8 99
Postage	77 18
Travelling expenses	77 96
Electric lighting	3 60
Paid secretary on account	3,960 71
Salary of secretary's assistant	450 00
	$4,977 06

There is a balance due the secretary of $862.52. There are no other debts. The contributions which have come to us from the churches without passing through the treasury of the Association have been mostly, though not altogether, such as were intended to cover the arrearges of the preceding year.

If the debt were disposed of, the sum needed for current expenses in addition to the incidental receipts of the office would be about $2,300, or very nearly two cents to each church member in the State. It is possible that some gain may be made in receipts from other sources. The sums received for services rendered to churches without the State have been but small in comparison with the work that has been done. It is not easy to bring this matter to a strict business basis without a certain appearance of narrowness which we have not thought the churches of Massachusetts would wish us to present. It has seemed better that we should be neighborly always even if we were not always thrifty. Besides, while the payments have been small, it has been to our advantage to do the work, since the cost has been but slight, and since there would be no material saving of expense by cutting it off. But this subject will receive further careful consideration. A proposition is now before the Board looking

towards a stricter and more remunerative policy in our dealing with churches outside the State.

No fees of any sort have been charged to Massachusetts ministers. This on the whole has seemed best, while yet there are points of view from which it would appear that some such charge should be made. It would not in any case be proposed that any fee should be collected in connection with pastoral settlements in Massachusetts. But the matter of occasional supplying may stand upon a different basis. It is certainly the desire of the Board to neglect no appropriate means by which the incidental receipts of the office may be increased, and its cost to the churches lessened.

The action of the General Association in relation to the Board of Pastoral Supply has been deliberate and considerate. The subject was first brought forward in 1892. A committee was appointed which reported the following year, advising the establishment of such an agency. A discussion arose in which were developed such differences of opinion as may appear at any time among brethren having equally at heart the interests of a great common cause. The proposal of the committee prevailed, and it was voted "that the General Association of Congregational churches of Massachusetts establish at Boston a ministerial bureau, to be under the general direction and support of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts." Provisions for organization were made, and the vote continues with the statement "that the General Association of the Congregational churches assumes the responsibility of the bureau and will rely on the churches and pastors for such financial aid as may be needed to carry on its work efficiently; and especially recommending the churches to contribute annually at least three cents a member toward the support of the bureau." Directors were chosen at this meeting. Consultations were had and preparatory steps taken, and the Board reported the progress made to the Association at Pittsfield in 1894. The Association proceeded in furtherance of its former action, and voted "that this Association instructs the Board of Directors to proceed at once to procure a secretary in the confident expectation that the contribution of money for its support will be forthcoming." This action was taken with but little if any apparent opposition. It was not until after this second conference and decision of the Association that the post of secretary was filled and the office of the Board actually opened.

Two things were thus done, and repeated in doing: First, the Association established the Board and assumed the responsibility for it. Second, it proposed a plan for meeting this responsibility and providing the needful support. Any partial failure of the proposed method of maintenance could not exhaust the responsibility assumed. The Board, in the fact of its life, and in every function of its life, is the direct creation of the General Association.

The actual business of the office began almost from the first to be large. The scale of its expenditure has always been less than was proposed by the committee upon whose report the action of the Association was based.

During the first year after the opening of our office there was incurred a deficiency of $1,157.30, and for each of the next three years about half as much, making a total, one year ago, of $2,823.27. Several of the conferences, meanwhile, had taken upon themselves the collection of the sums recommended for the support of the Board, and in 1898 there were nine such conferennes. The General Association had approved of this action of the conferences, and had in each year, by distinct vote, commended the work of the Board.

A year ago the Board in its report expressed the wish that the Association might provide for the indebtedness incurred, and recommended also that the Association should undertake the collection of the sums needed for the Board directly, and along with the other contributions asked for from the churches. This proposal was adopted with manifestations of hearty approval. The sums required, however, had grown to be large through the arrearages of preceding years. Many other claims have pressed upon the churches. The financial severity of the times has continued, at least so far as concerns every agricultural interest. It is no matter of surprise that questions and objections should arise concerning this call upon the churches for enlarged contribution to the treasury of the General Association. Yet this method still seems to us the most simple, the most economical as to time and money, and, on the whole, the most appropriate; and we recommend its continuance.

It should be remembered that the sums asked for by the General Association have not been actually larger for the last year than for the preceding years, only it has been proposed that they should be forwarded in one payment to the treasurer of the Association instead of two payments, one to the Association, the other to the treasury of the Board as in the preceding years.

It has been suggested by some that the Board might be maintained by general subscriptions from churches and individuals, as other benevolent organizations are. But this, if practicable, would require a considerable part of the time of the secretary, and it would greatly interfere with that important and essential portion of his work which is done in his visiting on Sundays, wherever he is requested to do it, the churches that are without a pastor. And the secretary has much doubt whether this raising of money in so large a part for the payment of his own salary would prove to him an interesting and animating occasion of public labor.

It should be considered too that the work of the Board is general in its nature. It touches constantly on general interests. It requires for its effective maintenance and support a general concurrence. It seems, therefore, to have place with the matters that may properly be provided for by an assembly representing all the churches. Besides, unlike most other organizations for which contributions are taken, this agency has to do particularly with the internal relations of fellowship and helpfulness existing among the churches themselves. It is in this respect denominational. It seems to belong more nearly than anywhere else with the collecting and publishing of statistics concerning churches and ministers,

and the printing of the Minutes of the General Association itself, for which things the Association properly provides.

The very large and increasing extent to which the churches are making use of our office shows also the existence of a general want for which some provision should be made, and which we are earnestly striving to meet.

It has been the constant purpose of the Board to bring the administration of the office as far as possible under the control of general rules of action. And in this connection it has been meant that the distinctive principles of Congregationalism should be most carefully guarded. The office can of course do nothing beyond the giving of information or the offering of advice or suggestion. But it gives neither advice, information, nor suggestion unless they are asked for. We send general letters in the nature of advertisements, with an offer of service, but we do nothing further except in answer to the request of a church. This rule has not been broken in a single instance.

It is a distinguishing feature of our work that it is done under obligations and responsibilities. We have no authorities; we have only obligations. It is our business to serve the churches with truth and faithfulness, and the ministers with impartiality and fairness. For this the secretary is answerable to the Directors, and the Directors to the Association. This sense of responsibility is of itself no slight thing. Then the methods of the office permit and provide for investigation. Every letter written, touching in any manner upon the character or qualifications of any minister, is exactly preserved. The name of every man that has ever preached as a candidate or in any other manner, with every place where he has ever been, from the first opening of the office, stands upon a plain record. If any official of the board, tempted of the devil, or drawn away by his own lust and weakness, should give weight unfairly to personal wishes or personal friendships or spites, or should become the agent or ally of any group or clique or party of men, this correspondence and these lists themselves of the names of all the men that preach would carry the marks of the wrong. The whole record would be open to inspection by any authorized committee which the Association might appoint, or by this Board itself, which is in fact a committee charged with the responsibility of preventing all such maladministration.

Our Congregational traditions and habits of associated action withal are such that official abuses would not be likely to go long unnoticed and unchecked. The personal interests involved in this instance are so close, so delicate, and so vital that men who may be treated injuriously will not be likely to be silent concerning it. The safeguards are strong. With the enduring principles of Congregationalism, and the wakeful activities of human nature, we may confidently believe that there will be forever kept alive in the bosom of those who administer this office a purifying and beneficent uneasiness.

But let us rather hope that in the midst of these responsibilities, and sustained by the strengthening influences which belong to our Congrega-

tional order and to the church of God, the office may gain for itself in time some established standing as a place in which the truth only is to be spoken, in love, and in which honor and duty alone are regarded.

We have in our office daily and hourly knowledge of the anxieties that beset many of our brethren in the ministry, and of the exceeding patience with which in general they are borne.

It is a matter of constant painfulness that we are unable so often to remove or lighten much the burdens which they are bearing. We mean at least that all these brethren shall be made to feel that they enter our office without humiliation, coming as of public right, and for ends that lie in reality beyond themselves in the welfare of the churches which they desire to serve. The secretary would deeply regret it if ever, through any inadvertence, this impression has failed to be given.

The difficulties of the present situation as bearing upon the ministry are very largely financial rather than numerical. The fall in salaries, except in the more prosperous places, has been general. It has been as sharp as ever during the last year. It has pressed heavily on many of our pastors; and at the same time that it has brought discomfort on them in their present positions, it has increased the difficulty of finding more desirable settlements. We have no power to provide a remedy.

If the cost of the education of children could be reduced correspondingly, and brought more nearly to the level of former years, this would furnish a considerable measure of relief to many. The better furnishing and equipment of parsonages, especially in the smaller towns, would be helpful in the same direction; and there are some of our churches that need encouragement and assistance in the making of these provisions for the comfort of their pastors.

The Board invites suggestion from every quarter respecting its methods and management. It is not set to do its own work but the work of the churches. It asks for their consideration, sympathy, and support; and it desires also their continuing kindness and patience with respect to the imperfections of the service which it endeavors to render.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE AGAINST GAMBLING.

THE METHODS AND RESULTS WHICH HAVE LED TO THE INTRODUCTION INTO THE PRESENT LEGISLATURE OF A BILL TO LEGALIZE POOL-SELLING AT TROTTING RACES CONDUCTED BY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, OR BY ASSOCIATIONS OF ROAD-HORSE DRIVERS, OR BY PARKS BELONGING TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TROTTING PARKS.

Your committee have done what they could during the past year to secure the enforcement of the law against gambling throughout this Commonwealth, and they have not completely succeeded. The municipalities which were closed a year ago have remained closed, but most of those which had been open up to that time remained open last season. Representations by citizens of Holyoke and Westfield were made to their respective municipal governments requesting action against gambling at races. No action was taken in either case. This year, in both places, there is more ground for hope. Elsewhere throughout Western and Central Massachusetts, so far as your committee have heard, the law was sustained.

East of Worcester County, the conspicuous breaches of the law against gambling occur in the vicinity of Boston, and the little your committee has been able to do has been to develop public opinion in support of the operations of the New England Watch and Ward Society.

This society requested the officials of the town of Brookline to prevent gambling at the events of the Country Club. It was done by the officers of the club, the petition having been forwarded to them by the selectmen.

In Medford, Mystic Park remained closed through the year, but at Combination Park pictures of horses were sold which were used as pool tickets. The efforts of the Watch and Ward Society secured from the District Court a verdict to the effect that this form of procedure was not lawful, but only evasive, and the city authorities stopped the sale of such tickets. In this case, upon the sale of pictures of horses as pool tickets, the seller appealed to the Superior Court of Middlesex County and there pleaded "*nolo contendere*," and paid a fine.

Gambling occurred in Dedham at races upon the so-called Readville track. After persistent representations by the Watch and Ward Society, the town officers gave out that they had ordered gambling to be stopped; but according to the best evidence obtainable by the society, gambling proceeded, and without any apparent traces of official repression.

The selectmen of Saugus promised the Watch and Ward Society to suppress gambling at races in Franklin Park. Nevertheless gambling occurred there. The society then took action of itself and secured convictions of three men, who were fined $25, $30, and $50, respectively.

At later races in Saugus the society obtained warrants for the arrest of men for selling pools, but when the chief of police once and again took these warrants to the Park, no man wanted could be found. When the officer and representative of the society returned on the next day, they were refused admission to the track.

It appears, therefore, that the law of the State against gambling failed to be enforced last year in Westfield, Holyoke, Dedham, and Saugus.

This state of affairs properly raises the question whether, since four such loopholes were not stopped, the efforts at restraint have been anything better than failures.

In answer, your committee point to the fact that a bill was brought before the present Legislature to legalize pool-selling at trotting races conducted by agricultural societies, by associations of road-horse drivers, and at tracks belonging to the national association of trotting parks. The introduction of this bill indicates that even though gambling was possible to some extent, in one place by evasion and in four others through municipal inaction, nevertheless, the gambling interest is not content with such surreptitious and unreliable methods. These four or five places could gamble, but if gambling is possible anywhere, there are other places than these which would like their own share in the gambling privileges. If this bill means anything, it means that enforcement with all its present limitations has already convinced the racing interest that it cannot hold out against the law indefinitely by any policy of mere indirection. Unless gambling can be legalized it must eventually stop; hence, the gambling-interest considers it expedient to make an open effort to repeal so much of the present law as applies to trotting races.

A bill was introduced and referred to the Joint Judiciary Committee. At the hearing before them, the representative who introduced it was left without a single supporter or witness from those in whose favor it was drawn, while a large number of remonstrants appeared against it. At his suggestion it was referred to the next General Court, a confession of temporary defeat, and a proof of the necessity of watchfulness and positive opposition.

It will be of interest to consider the effect of the changes proposed. The agricultural societies, in the first instance, which now receive State aid in consideration of their educational value to farmers, and which are now restrained from gambling by the forfeiture of the assistance of the State which would follow the breach of its law against gambling, would, under this new regulation, be able to receive State aid on the one hand and a percentage of the pool-sellers' profits on the other. This would bring it to pass that money taken from the people by taxation would be employed to uphold an institution which secured profits from gambling privileges; that is, it would make the State an accomplice in gambling.

Further, this bill would enact a monopoly of gambling in behalf of the racing interest. It will be said that the racing interest in Massachusetts without gambling cannot compete successfully with the racing interests of neighboring States whose revenues and premiums are swollen with

gamblers' profits. It will be argued that therefore the racing interest, in order to sustain itself, should be allowed to receive gamblers' profits. But if gambling is a proper resource for the repair of the reduced fortunes of the racing interest, then all other needy individuals and institutions should be allowed their resort to the same lucrative privilege. If, for instance, it is right to allow the racing interest to gamble because it needs the money to sustain itself, the churches always need money, and for ends assuredly as noble as the improvement of the road-horse, and they should be allowed the use of gambling for the support of the Gospel and the spread of missions.

Many will say that the sturdy moral sense of the old Bay State will surely not establish a monopoly of gambling for the benefit of horse-racing; but on the other hand, there are some pretty stout forces whose interests run counter to the moral sense. Such are: All the people who want to see horse-racing continue on the liberal scale of premiums and revenues made possible by a percentage from the gamblers' profits; all the people who consider the moral objection to gambling a fanatical impertinence; all the millions invested in it which seek the higher rate of profits made possible by a share in the gamblers' gains. These are not small forces.

Mr. Henry Chase, the veteran agent of the Watch and Ward Society, who is probably the best-informed man in the State upon this subject, writes: "Should this bill become a law, it would make the whole State one great gambling arena. Nothing but an aroused public sentiment can prevent it."

While the gambling interests are all active, good people are liable not so much as to know that there is any danger.

Should this bill to legalize gambling be revived in the next Legislature, to which it has been referred, the help and influence of every man may be needed to prevent the Commonwealth from becoming a great gambling arena.

The Association will need to continue a committee to work against the bill and to develop public opinion so that the duly-appointed officers of the law may enforce the statute in localities where it has not been heeded hitherto.

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE.

By the resolution passed at the last Annual Meeting a duty was assigned to your Committee whose magnitude was, save by a few, slightly appreciated. In view of the fact that the law requiring the instruction of temperance hygiene for "all pupils in all schools" of our Commonwealth was largely ignored or only slightly honored in many regions of the State, you instructed your Committee to do what they might deem wise to secure such a strengthened law as should ensure this instruction for every child in our public schools. The necessity for such effort was later developed by an investigation, which showed that only in about one half of one hundred and thirty-five school districts replying to inquiry was the law faithfully observed; in about one third of these districts no provision whatever had been made for it, and in about one fifth it had been but partly executed. Deeming it essential that all Christian and temperance organizations should co-operate in a work so important, your Committee invited representatives of sixteen such bodies to meet, and the result was the organization of the Massachusetts Central Committee for the Promotion of Scientific Temperance Instruction in Public Schools.

In soliciting such co-operation, both of organizations and individuals, it was distinctly stated that the aim of the effort was to secure such a law as should, by clearer definition and penalty for non-compliance, ensure this instruction to every child of our schools. The bill which the executive branch of the general committee, after careful deliberation, presented to the General Court, embodied the provisions which had for a number of years been in successful operation in other States, and whose details rested on the counsel of a considerable body of educators, among whom were thirteen State superintendents of schools together with five persons then connected with the Massachusetts State Board of Education. They were provisions which were supported four years since by the State Congregational Association of New York, in detailed reasons elicited by reason of the strenuous opposition, and sent to the Governor of the State with a request for his signature of the bill already passed by the unanimous vote of both houses of the Legislature. These provisions had been also incorporated in the Illinois law of 1896, and there, as well as in Michigan, Pennsylvania, Iowa, Minnesota, and other States, had been successfully executed. The fact that in New York men like Dr. John Hall, Dr. Chas. H. Parkhurst, Dr. Edward N. Packard, and Dr. Henry A. Stimson had given to the measure their hearty support, together with many more of New York's ablest pastors and laymen of all denominations, gave us assurance to believe that what had proved a wise measure for other States could not be unwise to meet the needs of Massachusetts.

The wisdom and opportuneness of such instruction to your Committee were developed by the fact later disclosed that already forces were being rallied for a bill whose aim was to practically repeal the present law. We

had hardly made public our purpose by the presentation of our bill to the General Court, when the Myers bill appeared.

This bill, while asking for the scientific temperance instruction, yet asked for it in but two grades of the public schools, and these so late in the course that more than half the children of our schools would of necessity fail to receive the instruction, and these, for the most part, the very children who most need its warning influence. The Myers bill also asked that all text books on physiology should be subject to the approval of three officials of the State, a provision in such conflict with the very essence of liberty as to amply attest the precipitancy with which a few eminent educators in signing that bill followed the counsel of unwise leaders. At the first hearing for the Myers bill this odious section was withdrawn, and the bill was later modified so as to ask for the instruction in each of the three departments of our schools, – the Primary, Grammar, and High.

We were not unprepared for strenuous opposition. The experience in Illinois, New York, and other States had assured us that against any effort to insure this instruction would be marshalled not only those who are by personal habit opposed to the teaching of total abstinence, but many conscientious educators who, while temperance supporters, yet have failed to recognize the urgent need that against the most dangerous foe to good citizenship a barrier must be raised in the most thorough and persistent training of the child. Our bill was hardly made public before a bitter attack was launched upon it through the press declaring the whole movement to be a "book job." By some who failed to inform themselves great surprise was expressed that your Committee should have presented and so committed this Association to a bill against which such general educational opposition had arisen. But it must be distinctly understood how this opposition was arrayed. Notice the steps. The projectors of the Myers bill went before the meeting of State school superintendents, and by an utter perversion of our bill, affirming that it provided a penalty for teachers, and that it required an extravagant amount of time for instruction respecting alcohol and narcotics, and by the presentation of the Myers bill signed by President Eliot, Dean Hodges, and others, some of whom had for years been seeking the practical repeal of the present law, a vote was secured opposing our bill and instructing a committee of their number to appear in opposition before the Legislative committee. The next step was to send a report of this action with what was well known to be an incomplete form of our bill with disparaging comments, together with the Myers bill with favorable comments, to the superintendents, and through them to the principals of our schools, asking for a vote of teachers to signify their choice as between the two bills. To school boards through the State appeals were also sent emphasizing the indignity of a fine for the failure of such bodies to obey the law. And besides all this the chief opposers were unremitting in their personal insinuations that our whole measure was being sought to subserve mercenary ends. It must also be clearly understood that while there are

nine leading publishing houses whose text books on physiology and hygiene conform to the standard of instruction proposed by the eminent educators referred to, there are not a few other physiologies (of one of which a chief opponent to our bill is himself the reviser) which do not conform to that standard and hence which many school boards refuse to accept for their schools. It is easily seen, under such circumstances, how bitter the opposition of some authors and publishers must be both to such temperance text books and to any law which requires that such scientific instruction should be faithfully given. In every State where these laws have been enacted the very same infamous effort has been made, not only to impugn the motives of those who have proposed the legislation, but to smirch the good name of the woman whose influence has told incomparably beyond all other in securing such instruction for the children of America, and whose name and memory will be revered when they who have made such assault have been long forgotten. It is an interesting fact to remember, however, that though openly and often challenged to produce one scintilla of evidence or make one responsible charge, they who have in private uttered these base insinuations have wisely refrained from incurring the danger of public responsibility for the same. Because the name and work of Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, for years an honored member of this Committee, has been necessarily connected with a committee of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, whose approval has been sought for the ten leading series of such text books, it has been the studious effort to belittle and defeat such legislation by the charge that it is a mere matter of personal profit.

The argument of the opposition to our measure was four-fold: first, the measure was affirmed unpedagogical by reason of its specifications respecting the lessons and text books; second, it was affirmed unwise because the instruction needed on this subject is moral and not scientific; third, the teaching of the most widely accepted text books, it was said, conflicts with eminent authorities who affirm alcohol to be a food and not a poison, and counsels a total abstinence which leads the child to criticise the habits of parents who indulge their appetite; fourth, the imposition of a fine upon school boards who disobey the law was affirmed a needless indignity.

To the first charge it was replied that the specifications respecting lessons and text books were *not* unpedagogical, for they had not only been commended by educational experts, but had been for years in successful operation in other States.

The testimony of educators of these States in large abundance was produced declaring that the education on these lines was both successful and healthful in the best sense. It was also conclusively shown in this connection that the field for text books was an absolutely open one for which no person nor organization could hold any monopoly whatever.

The fact that the leading publishing houses of America had found it to their interest to ask for the endorsement of a Committee pledged to favor only books teaching the truth respecting alcohol and narcotics is not a

disparagement of such a Committee, but simply the splendid evidence of the prevalence which has been attained for total abstinence sentiment throughout the land. For the giving of such endorsement not one cent has ever been asked or received, nor has any person received any royalty on the books of these publishers in virtue of such endorsement.

To the second charge, that not scientific but *moral* instruction was needed in our schools, the answer was amply sufficient that our opposers had themselves brought in a bill asking not for "moral" but for the same *scientific* instruction which our bill was asking. Never was inconsistency more manifest than in the persistent contention of every educator who spoke at the hearings that the needed temperance instruction is of a "moral" and not scientific character. We urged that as a basis for all wise moral instruction must lie the scientific truth, and that the indispensable need of scientific instruction by aid of accurate text books was to avoid the unprofitable makeshift which would otherwise appear in the crude efforts of teachers to vaguely discourse on aspects of temperance, for which the school is no place.

It was shown that the chief objection to this instruction had come from the unwise substitution of oral harangue for the strictly scientific method. It is safe to say that never were instructors, by the exigencies of the position they were so unwisely called to defend, compelled to present such incongruous opposition to the very work of scientific education to which their lives are devoted.

The third charge was of the weakest character and produced the slightest effect, being often greeted with the incredulous smiles of our opponent's friends. The attempt of Dr. Henry P. Bowditch, of Harvard College, to prove that because alcohol is to a very slight degree generated in the body by wasting tissues, that therefore it is not a poison but a food, was amply answered by his own admission that, before enough alcohol could ever be taken into the system for food purposes, its effect upon the nerves was too injurious for safety. It was answered by the testimony cited from a large number of the most eminent chemical and medical experts of Europe and America, who agree with Doctors Adolph Fick, August Baer, and August Smith, of Germany, with Dr. August Forel, of Zurich, with Drs. Lankester and Alfred Swain Taylor, of London, and many more of the most noted authorities, in declaring with Dr. Willard Parker, of America, that "From no definition that can be framed of a poison can alcohol be fairly shut out." He was also effectually answered in the fact that though many other deadly poisons are in small quantities generated by the bodily processes they cannot, therefore, be counted foods. To his further contention that no child should be taught what would lead to the criticism of the habits of the parent, it was enough to answer that consistency with such a contention would consign the substance of all education to barbarism. To the intimation that the text books, now in use by many schools and endorsed by the Committee of the W. C. T. U., were not accurate, the testimony was produced of six distinguished medical authorities of America, together with that of Dr. August Baer, of Berlin, who each and

all, after the most careful examination of all these books, had affirmed that their instruction *fully accords* with the best results of scientific investigation.

To the last charge, that the imposition of a penalty upon school boards who fail to obey the law is an indignity, the reply was, *first*, that no citizen, of whatever character or station, who proposes to obey the law can have the slightest objection to a penalty designed not for the doer but the *breaker* of the law; *second*, that not only upon ministers of the Gospel, as upon other citizens, in a multitude of capacities, does penalty rest for failure to observe just and needful laws, but the school statutes themselves, among twenty or more other penalties imposed, make members of school boards liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars for failure to conserve the sanitary health of the school premises under their control; *third*, that the effort to distinguish between other penalties and this penalty for the just enforcement of the statute on temperance education so largely ignored, was but a case of special pleading lacking weight for any candid mind; *fourth*, that whatever indignity was incurred by the penalty attached to a compulsory measure inhered not in the penalty but in the obligatory character of the measure; and *fifth*, that the only force of objection to a penalty for the disregard of any just law must lie in the wish to evade its execution.

Although your Committee had presented a bill with provisions sanctioned by the highest educational authority and already well tried in other States, yet upon the first disclosure of strong opposition on the part of educators, we invited conference with them to ascertain on what ground we might meet. While none the less believing, that the provision of our bill, as respects the minimum amount of instruction in lessons and text books, was the wisest to secure the desired end, yet, in virtue of this opposition from those who represented educational interests, we presented at the last hearing a modified form of our bill which so far met the approval of the opposing educators, that they assented to every feature of it save the penalty for its non-enforcement. But since the only object of seeking a strengthened law was to secure its execution in the regions where it has been either ignored or largely evaded, to abandon this only guarantee for such execution was to practically withdraw the whole measure.

The report of the Committee on Education to the Legislature was that the Myers bill "ought not to pass," and that our bill have "leave to withdraw." In the reasons presented by the Committee on Education with their report to the Legislature, chief stress was laid upon the lack of Massachusetts' precedent for any such detailed specification respecting instruction in other branches, as our bill proposed, for this of temperance physiology and hygiene.

Whatever our conclusion as to the result of our effort or the measure itself, we may well rejoice in the good accomplished by the wide discussion of so important a subject and the positive ground gained. For some years past strenuous effort has been made to depreciate the value of this instruction and to secure such co-operation as would avail to practically repeal the present law. But in order to resist our measure the past oppo-

nents of the instruction were compelled to themselves recognize its value by *asking* for it in the three great departments of our schools. The law may be deemed safe henceforth from every effort to secure its repeal.

The discussion has instructed the public respecting the attitude of other States on this important subject. It has shown that although elsewhere, as in New York, a vast array of educational authorities was rallied to oppose its passage, yet great religious bodies of that State, the Congregational, Baptist, and Methodist, replied with a most emphatic declaration that the measure was both just and needful, and not in conflict with the best pedagogic methods. Our own Congregational Association of New York prepared an elaborate answer to the teachers of that State showing in detail both why the instruction was wise and why it should prevail. As illustrating the conviction of some conspicuous leaders in that State I may cite the reply of Dr. Chas. H. Parkhurst to my personal inquiry last month whether he believed the New York temperance law a wise one. "Yes," he replied with emphasis, "I regard the law wise in all respects, and believe such instruction for the children of our schools to be greatly needed."

The result of the strong educational opposition in Massachusetts, largely secured by the method I have described, has been to lead some who at first believed the measure desirable to question whether a law so largely opposed by educational forces can be wise. Many have asked why the method of instruction should not be wholly left to pedagogical experts. The one reply to this is the fact that no law without *specific definition* can be generally enforced. This whole instruction is demanded by the people in order to meet the most threatening danger to the welfare of the citizen and the State. Without specific definition and without a place provided for this instruction in the school curriculum by the school boards, there are many regions where it will be either ignored, or practically evaded by the merest apology for its execution. It is to be remembered, however, that when your Committee had met every objection of our educators by eliminating all detail as to pedagogical method from the bill, they still declined to unite with us in a measure which simply asked that the execution of the law be *ensured*.

Whether the children of Massachusetts shall receive this instruction it is for the parents, and not for the teachers in their employ, to say. New York, Illinois, Pennsylvania, with some ten other States, have said, "The children shall have this instruction," by making those responsible for it amenable to penalty. Forty-two States, together with our National Congress, have said, in substance, "This instruction is needful for *every* pupil of our public schools." The plea so often uttered that Massachusetts schools are so far beyond the educational systems of other States as to make the desired legislation needless, does not greatly appeal to those who having been familiar with both East and West know that such claim has no foundation in fact. What future action shall be must largely rest with those who most fully represent the highest moral and spiritual interests of our Commonwealth.

The legislative committee, in its report, reaffirmed with strongest

emphasis the *obligatory* character of the present law commanding this instruction for "all pupils in all schools" supported by the public money. It counselled the State Board of Education to ascertain by careful inquiry the amount and nature of such instruction each year, and wherever local sentiment fails to hold the officials to a discharge of their duty, to use its influence in securing conformity to the law. It must be the case that henceforth thousands of our citizens who have, hitherto, hardly so much as known the existence of such a law, or the prevalence of similar laws throughout the Union, will closely scrutinize the action of school boards in providing for its execution.

The indifference which in many regions has prevailed, largely by reason of ignorance respecting the need and obligation of such instruction, will no longer find excuse.

The general enlightenment and the quickened conscience respecting this whole subject are the ample reward of your Committee for all the time and labor devoted to the work assigned to it by your resolution.

CHAS. L. MORGAN,
PAYSON W. LYMAN,
Committee on Report.

ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

One year ago the State Association elected the following gentlemen members of the Committee on Labor Organizations: Messrs. James G. Buttrick, of Lowell, and W. L. Spalding, of Worcester; Revs. William H. Allbright, of Dorchester, Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills, Elwin L. House, of Attleboro, Daniel Evans, of East Weymouth, and Frank W. Merrick, of West Roxbury. Two of the committee, Mr. House and Mr. Spalding, have not served. The former went into the army as a chaplain, and the latter begged to be excused from duty. Mr. Buttrick served the committee as chairman, and Mr. Merrick as secretary. The committee has held eight meetings. Its work has been two-fold: (1) It has endeavored to assist the Conferences to carry out the recommendation of the last General Association that the need of a weekly rest-day, especially for laboring people, be one subject for their fall meetings, and that the pastors be requested to preach at least once before the close of the year on this theme. (2) The committee has co-operated with similar committees from other religious bodies in the Commonwealth, the joint committee being known as the Weekly Rest-Day Union.

What are the results? The resolution of the Union calling upon all Christian people of the State and Nation to aim to secure for all the laboring people of the country one day of rest in seven was considered and endorsed by the following Conferences: *Andover, Berkshire North, Berkshire South, Essex North, Essex South, Hampden, Middlesex, Middlesex South, Suffolk South, and Suffolk West.* Messrs. Allbright, Buttrick, Evans, Farwell and Merrick gladly responded to calls from the Conferences to present this subject and met uniformly with hearty response.

Special mention should be made of the enthusiastic endorsement of our work by the Hampden Conference, before which Dr. Allbright spoke.

The legislation attempted by the Union has for the time failed. The legislative committee reported the bill amended, and though the amendment was unacceptable to certain labor leaders, the bill still had, in our judgment, some value; but when the measure came up in the Senate, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading, Senator Hodgkins proposed amendments which utterly destroyed the bill, and the third reading was refused.

Your committee lately ascertained at the State House that the whole number of *individual* petitioners for the legislation just referred to was only 1,287. Out of 352 cities and towns in the Commonwealth, only 55 were heard from. This includes not only the record of the Congregational churches, but that of all other religious bodies also. If the Congregational churches in but 55 cities and towns in our State had been heard from, and these had mustered only 1,287 petitioners, the record would be exceedingly unsatisfactory, in view of the vote of our last State Association, and the repeated efforts of your committee to meet the Conferences and to aid them in carrying out the recommendation you adopted at Greenfield. We conclude that there is a lamentable lack of interest in this reform, but we think our expectation that Christian people should have an intelligent human interest in one another is very modest.

Last year's Committee on Labor Organizations reported a successful effort to get a legislative enactment making provision for "an investigation of Sunday labor." That report has not yet been given to the public, but it is expected to furnish new evidence of the need of a weekly rest-day.

The committee acknowledges with great satisfaction that the hearing before the committee of the Legislature, to which was referred the bill for the weekly rest-day, called out so large a number of public-spirited gentlemen, among whom were Vicar-General Byrne, of the Roman Catholic Church, and Rev. Francis E. Clark, of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, and that the hearing conducted for the petitioners was spoken of by all present in the highest terms. This committee further acknowledge its great appreciation of Senator Bouvé and its gratitude to him for his solitary championship in the Legislative Committee of the weekly rest-day idea.

In view of these facts and the immense pressure now brought to bear upon workers in the industrial world, your committee has little hope in legislative remedies at present, but it believes that agitation should go on, and that wage-earners should be made constantly to feel that the Church has a vital interest in them.

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DANIEL EVANS,
PARRIS T. FARWELL,
FRANK W. MERRICK, *Secretary,*
Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE UPON MINISTERIAL STANDING.

The Committee on Ministerial Standing would report as follows: We have considered the various memorials which were referred to us upon the topic in hand. The circular letter sent by the Suffolk South Association to the sister associations of the State presents a matter calling for thoughtful and serious consideration. Its complaint is that the Congregational churches are not maintaining their former demand for a thorough preparation for the sacred office of the ministry. It also points to several causes now operating to weaken the power of those who minister in these churches, at a time when, as perhaps never before, there is a call for the largest ability, thoroughly disciplined and consecrated to the service of Christ and his kingdom. The memorials from the Hampden and Berkshire South Associations contain carefully prepared statements of the evils resulting from the fact that so many ministers and pastors are without adequate preparation for their work, and also an earnest appeal for a more carefully trained ministry. The memorial from the Brookfield Association proposes for our consideration the matter of regulating the standing of the clergy by and through the agency of the conferences of the churches. In addition to these memorials there have come to us various individual statements, and appeals having reference either to the general subject of ministerial standing or to some branch of it. Your committee have been deeply impressed with the importance of the various facts submitted to their attention. We recall with pride the history of the Congregational pulpit, its long and intense interest in all educational matters, and its continued effort by providing colleges and seminaries to make sure that the church should not lack a thoroughly educated ministry.

This high standing of ministerial education established by our fathers was loyally adhered to until the rapid extension of our country made it necessary to enlist the service of a larger number of ministers than was being prepared by our colleges and seminaries through their regular courses of study. During the period following just after the war, when the West and great Northwest were being so rapidly settled, there arose a necessity of using a large number of men for service upon the frontier who had been trained by special and abbreviated courses of study to meet the emergency. After this emergency was met there should have been a return to the former customs and ideals with reference to the education of the ministry. Unfortunately, such a return has not been made, and we have to-day a very large number of men in the charge of churches who are without a sufficient intellectual equipment; and the evils from this fact are becoming apparent in all parts of our country.

Your committee is therefore in entire accord with the memorials from

the Suffolk, Hampden, and Berkshire South Associations in their appeal for a higher standard of ministerial training.

As to the matter referred to by the Brookfield Association, we recognize the fact that the subject of ministerial standing is different from that of ministerial training, though closely related thereto; and your committee understands that it was appointed to consider especially the latter question. However, as this memorial has been referred to us, we have given to it such consideration as was possible in the brief time at our command since it was received.

The method adopted and advocated by the Brookfield Association to certify the standing of the ministry is of interest, and under other conditions, in the West, has been found to be satisfactory. We are not ready, however, to recommend its adoption, as at present advised.

Your committee would call the attention of the General Association to the rules recently adopted by the Bar Examiners of this State, with the consent of the Supreme Court, which took effect on the first of February past, as affording a method which with some modifications might prove helpful to the churches in securing the uniform and satisfactory standing of our ministers.

Your committee would recommend that this body adopt as a fit expression of its own judgment the wise and carefully considered opinion of the last National Council on the subject of ministerial training, as expressed in the resolutions appended hereto.

In conclusion we recommend that a similar committee be appointed to give further consideration to the general subject now before us.

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INMAN L. WILLCOX.
A. E. DUNNING.

Resolutions of the National Council of the Congregational Churches upon Ministerial Training: —

1. That, of candidates for the Congregational ministry, all who can should take full academic training and a complete course in a theological seminary.

2. That, while recognizing the call of God to exceptional men of limited education to preach the gospel, our theological seminaries, Education Society, and churches should use increased care to maintain the intellectual and educational standard of the Christian ministry. We deem the present an appropriate time for councils, churches, conferences, and associations to make steadfast effort to elevate, and on no account to lessen, requirements for entrance upon the pastoral office.

3. That seminary curricula, while aiming at the highest intellectual and scholarly attainment, should for all students give largely increased inclusion to the practical and tactual in training.

4. That utmost care should be exercised, not only in the admission of students to seminary courses, but also in continuing them after admission, to the end of discouraging the incapable and unsuitable, and retaining only the fit.

5. That in those exceptional cases where councils or local organizations may think it wise to give recognition to men who are available for the ministry, but who are not able to enter a seminary, full ministerial standing should be withheld until the applicant shall have taken a course in theological and pastoral study.

6. That our churches should exercise much greater care in admitting to their pulpits, whether for purposes of candidacy or supply, men whose credentials as to character and standing have not been thoroughly examined and approved.

7. That, from candidates for approbation before associations and conferences, and from men of other denominations seeking admission to our body, evidence should be required of adequate training and experience, and of a reasonable familiarity with our polity; and that, in lack of these, only a limited commendation be granted, pending the prosecution of further study.

8. That ministers and churches should exercise greatest diligence in seeking to recruit the ranks of the ministry from young men of promise in their parishes, and that officers of the Education Society, boards of trust, committees of recommendation, and seminary faculties should hold to close examination and continued strict account all who make application for, and who are receiving, educational aid.

THE OBTAINMENT OF POWER BY PRAYER.

REV. R. W. WALLACE.

I feel it a privilege, brethren, to help you emphasize a little more thoroughly the thought of prayer as a sure reinforcement of the Christian's and the church's power.

So natural an element is prayer in the Christian life, that one expects it from that life as he expects a song from a canary, or a question from the lips of a child. And so essential is it to the possession of spiritual power, that we come to measure the efficiency of spiritual life by the presence in it, or absence from it, of importunate prayer. We have come to know that to hold communion with God is a practice of the soul that cannot be neglected or suppressed without the weakening or actual expiring of spiritual power. Earnest prayer and vigorous piety always consort together. Diminished or diluted prayer is a certain indication of

decadent piety. Genuine Christian life is ever lifting its eyes to those heavenly hills where are the unfailing reservoirs of grace and power.

I fear sometimes that much is being expected of the Church of the Crucified in these days, for which there is no national warrant; and by attempting to respond to such expectation she is but parting with her power. But this may be legitimately expected of her — that she will be a *praying church.* I say nothing of the forms by which she may choose to express her prayer. That may be by beautiful and elaborate ritual, or by language most simple and unadorned; but, whatever the form, it will be expected that the native speech of the church of Jesus will be the syllables of prayer.

The place, also, where Christians resort for the cultivation of their spiritual life will most naturally be called "the house of prayer."

However large a place we may there give to instruction, a more important place will be given to the supplicative side of the spiritual life.

Is there not a Divine warrant for such a thought of prayer as a conspicuous element in the life of the church? In that elegantly apportioned tent of meeting that stood in the midst of Israel's tribes, and which was constructed after the pattern given in the holy mount, there was before those curtains, which human hands dare not lift but once a year, *a little golden altar.* Of all the pieces of furniture in the holy place, this altar stood nearest to the Holy of Holies. Upon it were presented day by day most fragrant spices, — stacte, onycha, galbanum, and frankincense, — whose sweet odors filled the entire house. This was to signify the daily offering of the people's prayer, the devout breathing of man's spiritual affection and desires, the soul's best and holiest aspirations towards God. And this was God's striking object lesson, that the place to which the people came to worship was to be preeminently a house of prayer.

When Solomon's temple was completed, this most gracious promise was given on the day of its dedication, a promise that must have thrilled the heart of every pious Jew, "Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attend unto the prayer that is made in this place"; as if the offering of prayer in this shrine — rich with Lebanon's cedar and with Ophir's gold — was to be a conspicuous feature of the life of worship centring there.

The Divine choice of name for such a place is given us by Isaiah: "For mine house shall be called a house of prayer for all people." And our Lord quoted this very passage, when, in his holy indignation, he drove forth from Herod's temple what was not in keeping with the thought of the shrine of supplication.

Does not this teach us that the Christian sanctuary is not to be so much a place in which to *talk about God,* as a place in which we are to *talk with God?*

Every such sanctuary has been, to a larger or lesser degree, a point and place of prayer. There circles of God's people have talked with him about the interests of his kingdom; there myriad petitioners have appealed to him for wisdom to see the right, and for strength to do the right. And no scribe is able to foot up the value to individual or com-

munity, to home or business, to school or government, from the earnest and united pleadings of these petitioners in the house of prayer.

> "More things are wrought by prayer
> Than this world dreams of,"

is one of Tennyson's strong sentences of insight and of faith. And in this day, when it seems an easy matter to undervalue things that in themselves are peerless and priceless, we may well guard ourselves from undervaluing communion with God. Such communion makes a paradise out of what otherwise would be a desert. It makes a giant out of a soul that without it would be a dwarf. It makes a hero out of a man that apart from it would be a coward. And the place where that talk with God may be enjoyed becomes a place of peculiar sacredness, whether it be a beautiful cathedral by the storied Rhine, or a dug-out on one of our Western prairies.

I feel sure that we all credit this, — that there is a very close relation between the prayer of the church, and the obtainment of power by the church; and, as if to make this luminous to us, and save us from any possible doubt or mistake, the Holy Spirit caused Luke to write down one incident in the life of the early church. When the apostles were threatened by the authorities, and bidden not to preach in the name of Jesus, they went to hold a season of prayer with their brethren; and it was a prayer for power. It is interesting to note that as they address the Lord, they do not use the name by which they customarily addressed him. The common name was *Kurios*, but they used the name *Despota*, — a name signifying power, and the highest power. And the answer to their prayer is very explicit: "And when they had prayed, the place was shaken wherein they were gathered together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness. . . . And *with great power* gave the apostles their witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus; and great grace was upon them all." Notice the order: importunate prayer, then the coming of great power. And if ever the might to overcome is to belong to the church, it will come as the church opens up the channels of prayer.

What a wonderfully inspiring as well as a pathetic incident is that in "The Men of the Moss Hags," where the little children of a Scotch hamlet are confronted by the troopers of Claverhouse, and threatened with death unless they disclose the whereabouts of their parents. But the little lads and lassies answered all the threats by singing the prayers of David, and so successful were they that the troopers drew away cursing, but disconcerted. And what did Crockett mean by his incident but this, that even little children, with God on their lips and in their hearts, were more than a match for the stoutest of dragoons?

And so, as we in our church life honor God in the breadth and fervency of our supplication, he will honor us in the fulness and generosity of his response; and we shall come to realize in blessed experience all that is meant by that significant phrase: "*The enduement of power from on high.*"

SPIRITUAL POWER APPLIED TO THE PRESS.

BY REV A. E. DUNNING.

The voice which speaks to the greatest number of people, which speaks oftenest and is most heeded, is the voice of the press. If that voice has in it the ring of the divine truth and the emphasis of the divine purpose, the people will have high aims, for they will know God; but if its prevailing tone is sordid and sceptical, the soul of the nation will shrivel, and with all its wealth and prestige it will go the way of all great nations which have forgotten God. It will take its place in the procession of the ages, behind Egypt and Babylon, and Assyria and Persia, and Greece and Rome. Each was once mistress of the world, and each is dead — of interest only to historians, antiquarians, and excavators among its long-forgotton ruins.

But while the press is the most potent factor in shaping the character of the nation, the people control the press. It seeks the most influential even before the most numerous audience, for it is conscious that if it has the ear of the leaders it will command the attention of the multitude.

The newspaper probably gains the widest hearing to-day as an aid to commercial prosperity. Allied to that are the development and extension of territory, the direction of local and general government, educational forces, the cultivation of æsthetic tastes, and the building up of great institutions to foster these aims. For all these things are exponents of enterprise, and the American people pride themselves on being foremost in enterprise.

But the greatest aid to commercial and educational enterprise is the giving to the nation of moral aims, is helping the people to think of higher things than making money. The commercial prosperity of Spain was once the greatest in the world. Where is she to-day? She stands before the word as a monument of the folly of putting material aims first, of making labor the staple of living, and amusement as its compensation. When her armies were being surrendered, and her navy sunk in the sea, and her vast colonial possessions alienated, her people were frittering away their manhood in the excitement of Sunday bullfights, and in discussing in cafés and theatres the deeds of their matadors.

Who among them read in her newspapers the handwriting which told that she was being weighed in the balance and found wanting? Who but the few despairing leaders, who found themselves in the hour of trial without the support of the people they were trying to save? And who of their leaders could find in the newspapers any adequate declaration

of the causes of their defeat, or any true statement of a remedy for their wasting disease?

The moral upbuilding of our country is the first duty of every one who loves it. The secret of power for moral upbuilding is living consciously in the presence of God. To cultivate such living is the best service to the nation and the world. Let the press cease to be the voice of men who live consciously in the presence of God, and the people will sink into weakness and shame. No wealth of resources will avail with those who do not know how to use that wealth to minister to the spiritual nature. When in the British parliament it was urged that Sunday laws should be abolished, because, unless they should be, Germany would outstrip England, since its laborers would have one more day for toil every week, then Lord Macaulay declared the great truth on which England's supremacy rests, that the superior nation would be the one which cultivates superior men; and he proved from statistics that the nation which kept the Sabbath had the men who could do the best work because they were inspired by the noblest aims.

It is because the best people of England know this, and because they are Christian patriots, that they are making so strong a fight against seven-day journalism, enlisting on their side many who are not Christians, but who are patriots with power to see where is safety and where peril lies. I believe their battle is being won while we have failed. They see that back of the school, back of the pulpit and platform, is the newspaper in the home, interpreting daily life to families, to growing children, to the people who make the nation; and they are determined that the press shall not stand before the people as so controlled by greed that it openly thrusts aside for gain one of the most essential safeguards of the manhood of the nation.

If the press does not speak for God, if it does not have in it something of the voice of God, the nation is doomed. Now, in reproducing the life of God through the press, the religious newspaper must lead. The decadence of the religious press, whether through the indifference of its readers, or through its own failure to interpret daily life in the consciousness of the presence of God, would mean the decadence of the nation. It is true that the daily paper covers much of the field formerly left to the religious weekly. But publishing religious news does n't make the press religious. The Sunday newspaper does that. It even sets the jewels of divine truth in the tawdry gossip of the theatre and the guesses of the race course and the market, and yokes the priest with the clown to draw its triumphal circus car through hours set apart for the worship of God. That does n't make the press religious.

The religious newspaper which is true to its mission sets the life of men in the light of God. It points to his providence in guiding men to their true ideals. It interprets wars and weddings, toils, triumphs, and disasters, glories and glooms, according to their use in renewing men into the image of God. Such papers the church must have. The nation must have them. Christians must demand a religious press which breathes spiritual

life. To be indifferent to it when it does not fulfil your reasonable ideals is spiritual death to yourselves and your families. To fail to support it when it strives to fulfil those ideals is to court decay.

An editor of large experience and financially successful declares that a religious newspaper in these times cannot succeed. He cites facts which seem significant to support his statement. But if I believed him, I should shrink from what then must be the future of the church and of the nation. For when the voice divine ceases to be uttered, or, if uttered, to be heard through the press, then will the temple of God in this land become an empty shell. The worth of the nation will melt away. This selfish struggle for gain and pleasure, which is growing hotter and hotter, which draws so many Christians into its remorseless swirl, will then absorb the public mind; and the unfittest will survive in a rotting Commonwealth.

Never so much as now did the church of Christ need the aid of the religious press to hold up the motives of men in the white light of God. Never were temptations more subtle, requiring keener spiritual discernment to reveal them as they are. Never were inducements to holy living so commanding as now. The mission of the religious press is to set these forth. The mind of God expressed in words which the people can understand — that is spiritual power. The Word of God recorded now by pens guided by the present Holy Spirit — that is the need of the hour.

It is for you to say whether or not the religious paper shall fill its mission worthily? It is more than ever before dependent on pastors and churches. What do you say?

It is easy to undermine the influence of the religious press in the face of its formidable rivals. It is easy to urge on its editors that if they do not advertise your personal excellencies and achievements, or further your local enterprises, or defend your favorite doctrines oftener, you will use your influence against them; or, if you do none of these things, it is easy to disclaim responsibility for the paper which represents your fellowship and work, and to take the position of being broadly fair to all papers that seek your patronage. It is easy in this way to weaken your religious paper, and to cause its spiritual power to wane.

It is easy also to pray that its utterances may be true and timely and to rejoice in its word of power. Will you do it? Will you recognize spiritual discernment in its writers, applied to all the perplexing questions and movements which are causing the awakening of the nations as they touch one another in what may be a new unity, or in what may be disastrous collision? Will you read your religious paper, introduce it into other families, follow it with your interest, and emphasize what is true in it by your own testimony?

You can make the press a spiritual power, commanding, supreme. If you will be allies with it, if you will demand that it shall declare the mind of the spirit and not surrender to the mind of the flesh, you can give tone and weight to its message and strength to its persuasions. Give it a fair field. Help it to represent the conscience, the aspiration, the wisdom and counsel of the truest friends of the nation and of the kingdom of God.

THE CONSECRATION OF WEALTH.

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In accepting this topic at the suggestion of the program committee, I did so with the request that I be allowed to speak on it from the point of view of that newer feeling for Jesus, so surely and forcibly upon us and from which we are deriving so much, rather than from the standpoint of mere social controversy. For the most important social force in the world to-day, as throughout the Christian centuries, is the life of Jesus, and our relation to him, as those who are not merely saved by him from our sin, but are also directed by him into the life we ought to live in his name, and the duty we ought to do for his and his kingdom's sake. His life and work in the world were not those of a stranger and a sojourner, but of a fellow-citizen. His humanity was not a form merely, but the proper and real expression of his whole being. He did not take up humanity as a thing to live *in*, but as a thing to *live*, so that, in some sense, he may be said to have been the only person who ever really lived at all; a life lived *before* us that we might all learn how to live, quite as much as a life lived *for* us in some mediatorial and inimitable capacity which we can merely worship and adore.

On one side he is indeed transcendent, and lifts us by his enormous greatness and uniqueness, and the work he does and suffers for us alone in those secrets of nature and sacrifice into which we can never enter except through him. He is in this life's great exception, and his work far and away removed from anything we can do. Here our "highest place is lying low at his dear feet." In this he wrought for us and not with us. Redemption, in all these phases, is his gift out of hand from his Heavenly Father, which we are to receive humbly and gratefully. This side of his nature and ministry has a permanent place in the faith of the church and of our own hearts, and there is no fear that it will ever be dislodged. That Christ is all and in all, and all his works marvellous and gracious, touched with the dignity of divinity as well as with the nearness and dearness of humanity, impresses us still as in days gone by.

But together with this Jesus has plainly another side, both closely approachable and distinctly imitable by us, and one towards which our more modern feeling has been deeply awakened. That this is not so much a new faith about him as a new feeling for him is probably true. It is a new sensation rather than a new doctrine; a new touch of nearness and comradeship, an approach to one newly discovered to be lovely and loving in return, and soliciting what we can do for him as well as advertising and commending what he has done for us. Our sensibilities are more stirred than they were. We think of him more concretely and historically, and

more in the language and imagery of the gospels, filled with the atmosphere and color of that tropic land, and with those features of social, loving life which first commended him to those by whom the facts about him have come down to us. He is seen by us more as he certainly appeared long ago, with eyes and lips, gesture and vocal expression, fervent face and nerve tension of a man, filled to the brim and overflowing with love, force, and passion; not selfish or depressing, but generous, gracious, and demonstrative, reaching out to grasp and love into sympathy and response the dullest and coldest of the race. That is what moves and satisfies us in the best and greatest of men, and why not in him before whom all others are but as undeveloped children.

When, thirty years ago, Robert Browning used to walk on Sunday mornings to Bedford chapel to hear that gifted Welchman, Thomas Jones, preach, it was, as he says, that he might hear again that fervent and impetuous eloquence, that voice quivering and expanding with its message, that ever fresh accretion of poetic fact and fancy, old analogy and modern instance, till the orator would exceed his hour glass to the disappointment of nobody; to see that bright glancing manner, the thorough earnestness of sensibility quivering through that rich, flexible voice, that illumination of intellect in every expressive feature, and to hear that great liberal humanity which was preached, that sympathetic fellowship with great minds, with Tennyson, Matthew Arnold, Ruskin, and Carlyle, until the preacher seemed indeed like a younger Carlyle, sharing the same convictions, even looking like him, with those clear-cut Celtic features, lips compressed as with the retention of a discovered prize in thought or feeling, and the triumph of those eyes brimful of conviction and confidence.

If this could be possible in a mere man, until the sensitive soul of Browning revelled in it, and could not forget its power over him for twenty years, what shall we say of what Jesus must have been in his time to those who saw and heard him, from whose divinely radiant and matchless countenance gleamed the heaven-lit grandeur, the pathos, sympathy and passion, which were supreme in him alone, and whose daily life and ministries, whose nearness to man, so appealed to those who forsook all and followed him, that they went out when he was gone to put in heroic exercise that divine love and service for the world which they had learned from him. To them he was not merely a forensic redeemer of the world, atoning for its sin, but a worker in it in behalf of the new life in man he came to reveal and exemplify. They blended the messages of forgiveness through his death and holiness and brotherliness through his life, until they transformed their age and set in motion those floods of altruistic feeling and good-will which have marked the passage of the gospel round the world. This feeling is the new quality in our present religious experience, at least to the extent to which it is now carried, and the new language in which all our present social problems can be best stated. "What would Jesus say?" and "What would Jesus do?" are phrases which have had many curious recent uses, but that they are the

natural inquiries of our time it would be useless to deny, and as undesirable as useless.

Applying this, then, to the subject immediately before us, it is evident that Jesus dealt with wealth in his time, as he did with other practical questions, as it stood related to the special social work he came into the world to do. That work was to set up and furnish with suitable equipment for its ends a kingdom of heaven on earth, a society in which men should think of God as he thought of him, and regard one another with the loving and helpful appreciation he had for them, and to do these things with all their soul and mind and strength. That men should be apart from one another, estranged, misunderstood, even despised and hated, was something he could not brook. It was atheism towards God and anarchy towards man, and he set all the forces of his bountiful life at work to make these artificial distinctions disappear, and to awaken in man a warm, sympathetic, and helpful union.

In this way it was natural that his attention should fall from time to time on those passions and habits of human life which are the greatest obstacles to the realization of this ideal. He saw men standing apart from one another because there were barriers between them; things which had come down from the past through heredity of life, or through traditions and customs, even through customs in the realm of religion; things hard and unyielding which it was difficult for even the new idea of humanity, fresh and warm out of the heart of God, to overcome. How could men followship those who were beneath them socially, unclean ceremonially, or ostracized politically, or those poor wretches whose companionship, like that of Lazarus, was only with the paupers and the dogs. It was relatively easy for them to followship him who brought the new and wonderful idea, and all classes gathered unto him, and in him had a sort of unity. They were of one another because they were of him. But it was his aim to make them vitally such. Men existed with him not only for themselves or for the few, but for the many, and anything which stood as a barrier in the way of bringing them together he set his face against.

In this way the subject of wealth became of importance to him, and to the work he was undertaking, and wherever he found it interfering, he set himself to remove it. That his words seem in this way sometimes harsh, or even fanatical in their intensity, but serves to mark how deep was his passion that nothing should make impossible what his Father had declared must be; as when he said, "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God"; or portrayed the startling picture of the rich man in hell denied even the cooling touch of a drop of water; or overturned the tables of the money changers in the temple and the seats of them that sold doves, and said, "Take these things hence; make not my Father's house a house of merchandise," — "a den of thieves." Men must be brought together, and be taught to live in loving and helpful unity, even if fortunes or social customs must be sacrificed sometimes to that end. So the rich young man was admonished to sell all that he had and give to the poor. So the unjust

steward was commended because he had made a judicious use of his money, even if it were ill-gotten, in binding to him a group of personal friends for a time of need. So he refused to divide the inheritance at the request of a grasping brother, who sought in this way to secure for himself a larger share of this world's goods at the expense of a member of his own family. So he condemned the rich fool, not for the fortune he had made, God's bountiful gift to industry, but because, having been blessed abundantly, he planned to enjoy it by himself, without regard to the common claims of those about him, who had a right to the Heavenly Father's blessing through him. So he declared the despised Zacchæus to be a son of Abraham, when by his voluntary renunciation of a portion of his wealth in favor of others, whom he might have wronged, he broke down the barrier of hatred which had so long separated him from them, and prepared the way for a better social understanding and sympathy. So it was good even for a man to give to him that asked of him; good not to seek to reclaim the borrowed cloak, or to take interest from him who owed him a debt, in order that the things which kept men apart might be removed, and the hostile individualism, so natural to human life, might be done away in mutual recognition and service of one another.

That this was no horizontal social law seeking to erase the natural distinctions which are ever appearing in society, and in which lie part of the very variety and blessing of life, is plain enough both on the surface and in the spirit of his teaching. He was not the poor man's friend as against the rich man, nor the rich man's friend as against the poor man, but he was man's friend wherever he found him, in luxury and in poverty alike, seeking to awaken him to a consciousness of his own better self by the knowledge that he was a child of God "who so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son" for it; and to bring together all these children of the Heavenly Father into a human family, which should be a kingdom of heaven on earth.

That this idea brought him strangely near to some of those phases of modern socialism which are familiar to us is perhaps not surprising. The altruistic spirit wherever found has something in common, however widely it may diverge in other directions. It is certain that in some of his utterances Jesus spoke so harshly of wealth as to give opportunity, at least for those who read his words carelessly, to quote him as being the antagonist of private property, and the promoter of a socialistic program. Without having close regard to the aim of Jesus in these utterances, it is easy to fall into the seeming alternative of being obliged to conclude, either that what he said is visionary and impracticable, or that he clearly committed himself to the position of those whose hatred of private property is their most prominent gospel. But he did neither. With him, property, as everything else, was a gift from his Heavenly Father, and to be used with an eye single to the main aim in life, the worship of God and the establishment of his kingdom in the world. Wherever it was so employed he allowed the full enjoyment and opportunity of it, as one of those bounties which make life richer and more useful. Zebedee might

keep his ships, which had helped to train such stalwart sons as James and John to be fishers of men. The centurion might remain at the head of one hundred soldiers, whom he had trained to such exemplary acts of obedience that he himself had learned the lessons of a better faith than Jesus found elsewhere in Israel. And the substance of Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, of Susanna and Mary, Nicodemus, and Joseph of Aramathea, was not condemned when it was held for the common service of the King of heaven and his kingdom on the earth.

But wherever it was so held or used that it stood in the way of the realization of that which he came especially to establish, he struck at it as one of the implacable enemies of the divine life in man. Then with him, in very truth, "it was easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God." Then a man must sell all that he had and give to the poor, as the price of eternal life. Then, whosoever saved his life lost it, even if he gained the whole world. Then, whosoever forsook not all that he had could not be his disciple. Then a man must follow him summarily, even though the dead only were left to bury their dead. In this, as in other things, no man could serve two masters, and in the bitter battle between God and mammon he was on the side of God, as all who followed him must be.

And in this it is quite possible to lay too much stress upon the teaching of Jesus, and too little upon his life, which exemplifies it. "What did Jesus do?" is as important a question in this connection as "What did Jesus say?", and in some respects it is easier of answer. Remembering his severe utterances on some occasions, such as I have already quoted, one might perhaps be prepared to expect him either to decline invitations to the homes of the rich, or to make them occasions for strenuous preaching on this subject. But he did nothing of the kind. To him, the courtesies of the wealthy extended towards himself and his disciples were part of that brotherhood of sympathy and comradeship which it was his ministry to recognize and further. At the same time the hospitality of the poor was as welcome to him. He knew no one situation, but all, and by this brought into view that enthusiasm for humanity which was in his day the surest evidence of the divine life in him, submerging differences and making them to disappear, and bringing into light those brotherly unities of life, of which others were so insensible. In this way his life is to us a living exponent of his teaching, and a sort of blending point between many of his utterances on this subject, composing their seeming dissonance into sweetest harmony.

And in a still wider sense his life is an important example for all whose station or fortune place them before the public as members of the so-called privileged classes. For, in his eternal relations with his father, "though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor that we through his poverty might be rich." The doctrine of the Kenosis, as it is called, is one of the most humbling and admonishing of the Scriptures. This "emptying" of Jesus for the sake of the world, together with his persistent doctrine that he who saves his life shall lose it, makes a twofold appeal to all who have privileges in the world to follow in his steps.

That the early church, which grew out of this teaching and the faith of his followers in him, did not misunderstand his meaning is plain upon the most casual reading. The early chapters of the book of Acts are not a story of legislative compulsion but of moral enthusiam, in which all are touched alike by his spirit, but respond as they are personally inclined. They give or do not give, as they feel it a privilege to do, or as they are able. What is dominant in the story is their joy and unity. The melting and welding fires of divine life, as manifested in Jesus, had blended them together, however isolated or suspicious they may have been before. They were all of one mind and one heart in the Lord. And out of gratitude for this, it was their pleasure, as it was also their duty, to make contribution for the wants of the needy according to their ability.

To call that a phase of socialism, as stated in our modern day, is to misunderstand both the story of the early church and the claims of that modern movement which seeks to trace its origin to this early incident. But the two things are far apart. One deals with an ideal life, the other with a method of living. One is a passion, the other a program. Whether competition or co-operation be the method most in accordance with the nature of man, and so best calculated to bring forth the best results for all, is one of those questions which Jesus did not discuss, and upon which, in the very nature of things, there must be allowed a Christian difference in opinion. In this we are seeking light, as human society gradually unfolds and comes to better knowledge of itself, rather than standing in the light of a revelation which has decided it out of hand for us. It is part of the zest of living that its methods are learned by growth, and that we come to our inheritance by progressive experience. Something in the very nature of things must be left to the age in which one lives, and to the gradual development of man. God has not taken out of life the element of experiment, but has contented himself with setting before us the ends of living, with certain powerful motives for attempting them.

That each one should be allowed a large personal liberty in the manner in which he undertakes this would seem the most natural of all liberties; for to seek to constrain another in his attempt to follow his master according to his own conscience and judgment, would be both impertinent and unchristian. At the same time, that the world is justified in requiring adequate public evidences of such an attempt on the part of the prosperous is equally definite. As Professor Peabody has said, "The use of the phrase, '*better classes*,' ought either to be dropped or deserved, and the latter is more desirable."

How that brotherly love of all men should exhibit itself is part of the eternal controversy which is ever going on, and always under new conditions. And how deeply we all need the Divine wisdom and guidance in this endeavor to serve our loftiest ideals by the suitable obedience of all our powers and possessions, no one knows better than those to whom God has given much. Wealth tends powerfully to the independence of the individual and his isolation from others, especially from those who

are not immediately congenial. The poor plainly need one another and respond readily to their frequent demands; but the rich are removed from the necessities which become the fraternal bonds of those less endowed, and tend to withdraw within their comforts, like the rich man who had much goods laid up for many years. As Shailer Mathews says, "It is a simple matter of observation that instead of increasing a man's social sympathies, the struggle for fortune too often makes him selfish and unsocial, in that it breaks down those ties which the poor man feels binding him to other men. In the same proportion as the semblance of independence increases is there danger that a man will forget that he is an integral part of society, and that he can be truly a man only as he is dependent upon God and in sympathy with his fellows." And, in a deeper sense than we know, it is probably true that a man's Christian character is defined by his faithfulness or unfaithfulness in this direction; for if a man be unfaithful as a Christian in money matters, it is plain that Jesus regards him as unworthy of confidence in affairs of greater importance, as he says, "If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?"

And strangely enough, yet not so strange when the deeper meaning of the world as a moral whole is considered, all that we have been saying may be reversed, and stated in the language of selfishness quite as well as in that of Christian altruism. St. Edmund of Canterbury, in one of his startling mediæval sentences, lays down the significant belief that "the rich can be saved only by the poor, since the poor are they of whom it is said that theirs is the kingdom of heaven, and only through them can the rich enter it." However strange this sentiment may seem to us now as a bit of biblical exegesis, yet it has often proved itself to be real and true, as a piece of moral experience. The rich need the poor quite as much as the poor the rich. Surely it is not sentiment for Jesus which leads the ancient Roman, Marcus Aurelius, to say, "Whatever act of thine has no reference to a social end, tears asunder thy life, and is of the nature of a mutiny"; or the modern pessimist, Nordeau, to add, "As you are a part of humanity, its prosperity is your prosperity, — its sufferings your sufferings. If you do that which is good for humanity, you do good for yourself; but if you do that which is injurious, you inflict an injury upon yourself. A flourishing humanity is your paradise; a decaying humanity, your hell." Things in this world are of a piece, and the sooner we learn it the better for us all. Life is infinitely valuable, and is nowhere perfected but in society, and he who "consumes for his own use what was bestowed upon him in trust for others, is guilty of moral embezzlement."

However we look at it, the problem of wealth is one of deep seriousness and calls for a corresponding consecration, for upon it rests more heavily than we think the present welfare of society. How can the world in our time, or in any time, be run without it? "More consecrated money" is the daily cry of every moral cause on the face of the earth, while for the best things it often seems hardest to get it. For investments which produce dividends in coin, money is looking everywhere and at

almost any rate of interest — six per cent, five per cent, three per cent, two and one half per cent, or mere security in some heavy barred and locked vault; but for investments which produce dividends only in character and communal good, the things for which Jesus gave his life utterly, there are few inquiries. Yet in this direction thoughtlessness or delinquency are freighted with heavy penalties, unless the message of Jesus to men of wealth is without authority, and all the motives we have been considering are meaningless.

But "God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind," for

> "Right is right, since God is God,
> And right the day must win;
> To doubt would be disloyalty,
> To falter would be sin."

An age of deeper consciousness is awaking upon us, a consciousness fed by a new and fresher study of the teaching of Jesus, and a new enthusiasm for his life. The return to him in our time is of unmistakable significance and importance, and bids fair to bestir again those eternal human fellowships which have ever extended themselves in loving sympathy and the helping hand. And while all the programs presented for the betterment of society in our time are not of our choosing, or such as we are likely to indorse, yet they are far better than indifference, and all of them symptoms of a wide-spread uprising of interest in those ideals which Jesus brought to the world so long ago, and for which he gave himself a sacrifice. Though, looking about at the selfishness still in the world, against which he hurled himself to his death, it seems a long way to the goal he pointed out as the golden age of man, yet looking in the other direction, to the state of society he encountered, with its bloody hate and cruelty, it is a long way also that we have come towards his prayers and hope for man. And that we are thoughtful of these things is a good omen for the future, for, as Mr. Lecky says in his "History of Rationalism in Europe," "Upon the intensity of the spirit of self-sacrifice depends the moral elevation of an age, and upon its course the riches of the world."

THE APPLICATION OF THE POWER OF THE CHURCH.

(2.) In the Mitigation of Poverty.

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It is important in the discussion of the particular phase of our general subject which is assigned to me, that first of all we seek a basis of clear definitions.

Christianity, for my purpose this evening, is sufficiently defined as the influence of Jesus in the world. This influence is the result of his personal life and his authoritative teaching. Divine personality and eternal truth combine to produce the influence of Jesus, which is the true Christianity of our time. And this both historically and potentially is the radical, reformative force of the world.

The church as an organization is the medium through which Christianity most effectively manifests itself. Whether this be true of the existing church I will not consider, but an energized church, as set forth in preceding discussion, is certainly the best medium for the manifestation of the influence of Christ.

Poverty is "involuntary and blameless dependence." It is sharply distinguished from pauperism, in which the element of voluntariness is always prominent. Poverty, then, is an opportunity for the church; pauperism is always a menace to it. The church in applying its power to the mitigation of poverty is exposed to the peril of promoting pauperism, — a curse of modern society. Pauperism deserves no sympathetic attention from the church looking to its relief; only such study and acquaintance as are necessary for its resistance and overthrow. Poverty, on the other hand, when viewed in its causes, arouses the keenest interest among those who have the spirit of Christ, and who bow obediently to his great commission and constantly strive to imitate the divine Master.

The causes of poverty are easily divisible into two classes, — individual and social; those which indicate personal limitations, and those which operate because of the defects and abuses of the social order as it exists.

There are many whose inadequate physical and intellectual equipment unfits them for the struggle of life. They are incapacitated for the heroic tasks required for their successful survival. I find children whose entrance upon life is attended by such disadvantages as preclude the possibility of a winning battle; the comfortable maintenance of themselves is an impossibility. There are others upon whom misfortunes have fallen until they are not able to resist the currents they have to meet, cannot

surmount the obstacles which rise between them and success. These may be termed "personal limitations," whose effect is to beget blameless dependence.

But there is also a social disorder against which, for a long time, protests have been made, and which seriously affects the conditions and circumstances of life. The lack of employment, and the decrease of earnings, enforced idleness in later life, — these, not to mention other causes, are facts of modern social order which make inevitable a widespread involuntary and blameless dependence. But whatever the causes, they are always such as to make a strong appeal to one who strives to walk in Christianity's steps. He certainly fails to appreciate the genius of Christianity and to respond to the high purpose and motive of its divine founder, who questions for an instant the general proposition, that it is the duty of the church to minister in a special way and in a most generous spirit to this class in their distress.

The moments which are mine this evening would be squandered, were I to delay to enforce this fact by argument. By precept, parable, and constant example the Master set forth this duty. The church of Christ will be diligent in obeying.

There are clearly two parts to our work, — relief and repression; the poor are to be ministered unto, and the causes are to be checked in their operation. The first is the simpler, and many seem to feel that the power of the church has pretty nearly exhausted itself when it has been diligent in relieving distress. Surely we cannot leave the other undone. The church must erect a barrier against those social influences and tendencies which are so injuriously affecting multitudes, robbing the individual of the right to realize his own highest worth. For us the question of prime importance is, How can this be accomplished? I have no new scheme to exploit. We have had so many urged upon our attention, that we have failed to give any a fair and adequate trial.

I am convinced that the gospel of Christ is potent for both the functions I have indicated, if only it be correctly apprehended and vigorously applied. I am further persuaded that the church of Christ is fitted to so apprehend and apply the gospel. Hence the little which I desire to contribute to the discussion of this question to-night is suggested by the three words, — atmosphere, temperature, and association.

By addressing itself to the tasks thus indicated the church may effectively apply its power in mitigation of the poverty which exists.

There is a subtle something which is appropriately described as the atmosphere of a church. We are all acquainted with this in individuals. It is the strange something which we call "magnetic influence." There must be something corresponding to this in church life. Its influence is often greater than can be explained by its beliefs or its methods; a power obtained by meditation, prayer, consecration, and self-sacrifice as has been brought out in this discussion will be too subtle for analysis, but will be pervasive and potential. The Spirit by which the church is energized, the truth of which it is the custodian, and the nature of its

deepest life, all unite to create an atmosphere calculated to refresh and stimulate the weary in the world.

When the atmosphere of brotherhood, which is the natural product of the Christian conception of man, obtains, its presence will be felt beyond the limits of the church; its influence like a bunch of violets will be larger than its bulk. You remember that beside the way along which Peter walked the sufferers were placed, if so be the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. If we are vitally joined to Christ, the church will be similarly helpful to the depressed and the distressed everywhere. Results will be accomplished because of what we are, as well as because of what we do. There is a thunder tone to silent fidelity.

The master force of personality we are just beginning to understand. The presence of a pure and noble personality sometimes changes the climate and character of a neighborhood. Without the proclamation of a new truth, or the enforcement of a new principle, life is made brighter. It must be that in the church a sort of corporate personality is possible, the very presence of which in the midst of poverty will greatly relieve its pressure and weight. I am likewise persuaded that much attention should be given to the temperature of the church as well as to its atmosphere.

The church to-day is eager to crown intellect. This makes apt the statement by an incisive thinker, "brain counts for a good deal more to-day than heart does." But heart suggests the warm and glowing centre of life. Hence the same writer adds, "In the old days of the church a sermon used to convert three thousand men; now that temperature is down, it takes three thousand sermons to convert a man."

It is only as a higher temperature pervades the church that it can do much to mitigate the misfortunes of poverty.

If conditions are to be changed, then there is demanded a higher temperature in the church before these can be successfully assailed. Great reforms have always been the product of great passions and enthusiasms.

Great movements may be conceived by great minds, but they are achieved when great hearts are added. There may be nothing in St. Paul's cathedral which was not first in the mind of Sir Christopher Wren, but St. Paul's crowned Ludgate Hill when the heart of the English people was fired with a new devotion.

In addition to great thinkers the church must have great lovers before it can obey either of the two great laws which Jesus enunciated. Errors may be sorted out and straightened out by a cool intellectual process, but great abuses and great misfortunes can be relieved only as heart emits the warmth of a sincere and Christlike sympathy.

It is not the contents but the overflow of a soul which helps the world. When the temperature of the church is so high that its life bursts forth, this very fact is an effective mitigation of the poverty of the world. Culture has its own high mission, but the church that would accomplish what I am selected to urge this evening must add to culture warmth. It is this conviction laying hold of the cultured which has given the

college and social settlement, and those forms of church action which are calculated to relieve distress, and repress the causes of it. There are dark hours when the light of great truths is unnoticed; then only the warmth of a Christian heart can be felt.

To only one more means for mitigating, etc., will I point, viz.: association. The church gives much, but it always gives too little unless it gives itself. The Christian man who opens wide his purse, gives less than he should unless he gives some of himself with it. The century in whose twilight we are living has disclosed many things to us. Among its great discoveries is the importance of companionship in relieving and elevating the poor. The friendly visitor is a greater blessing than the charity almoner. The good Samaritan gave the sufferer his own place on the beast, took him to his heart, remembered him after he left. Not his gift, but his touch, blessed that man. To help the poor at arms' length is the great folly to which the church has too often given itself. The church must so get beside the poor, that the poor will appreciate the privilege of association, before it can either lift or shield them.

Patronage of the poor, or taking up, as the latest fad, service in poorer districts, — these methods will hurt even when they help. But that spirit which vicariously takes a poor man's burden upon itself is "charity of a merciful order" which is twice blessed, — blessing him that gives and him that receives.

But all I have said may be summed up in the statement, before the church can adequately represent Christ among the poor of the world, it must find Christ for itself. To paraphrase the words of another, "The church must be gospelized." When a deep passion for Christ sways the church, the atmosphere, temperature, and welcome will be such that poverty will find its redemption in the ministry of the bride of Christ.

WHAT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH OWES TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

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The beginning of a new century is always a suggestive point in the flight of time and may appropriately be made the subject of reflection upon the new relations which the institutions of the passing century will sustain to the thought and life of the new. One of the permanent features of human life is the fact of religion and worship. Christianity as the survival of the fittest in religion may be expected to persist and be carried over into the new century, and with it, its representative institution, namely, the Christian church. The twentieth century will certainly have a Christian church. Whether it is the Christian church which the past centuries have known or not will depend upon the forms of thought which shall become supreme, upon the wider outlook which shall come to the human mind, and upon the attitude which the church itself shall take toward the

impending problems of twentieth century civilization. The new century will owe much to the church of Jesus Christ. But the church will also owe much to the new century. Unless all the signs about us are utterly without significance, the twentieth century man will live a life more strenuous by far than that of any generation which has preceded his own. He will face a problem of life inherently more complex and presenting subjects for action and decision which will call for larger resources of mind and heart and spirit, not to say physical endurance, than have yet been demanded of men in the battle of life. Life has never been child's play in any age of the world. But the world has always been large and there has always been room enough on the earth hitherto, and possibility for exploitation for the daring and restless minds of every age. That period is now over. The world must finally settle down to its last and greatest problem, namely, that of living successfully with itself. With enormous territory, with boundless areas for personal self expression and development, man has always been able to create his own peculiar type of life and growth, if that in which he found himself did not please him. Such possibilities are gone forever. He may not now leave the society of his fellows. His problem is to live with them.

Moral intensity develops inversely to the distance between the subjects of moral action. When men are few and distances are long, the moral tension is not great. But when they are forced into small areas and into close personal dependence, man upon man, the intensity of the moral problem increases in a surprising ratio. What yesterday was no moral question at all is to-day a moral crisis. What yesterday was remote and subordinate, is to-day capital and vital. What last night was the theme for lazy contemplation or academic discussion, is to-day a practical, imperative calling for immediate action. The twentieth century will be a century in which the moral relations of men will be more intense than they have ever been before. Their social relations will receive an emphasis the extent of which is not even dreamed of at this day. Individualism will be as completely laid aside as the principles of the feudal system. It will be preëminently a social century. It will be a hundred years' crisis in the history of the race. It will reveal the value of a single human life as that value has never been comprehended before. It will, therefore, have a claim upon the spiritualizing agencies of the world such as no generation has ever yet been able to establish. The twentieth century, therefore, will, by its very nature, place the forces that represent the gospel of Jesus Christ at the very outset under an enormous debt. Two things always produce great responsibility. One is great opportunity. The other is great necessity. Either by itself constitutes an inalienable claim to immediate attention. But united together as they will be in the twentieth century, there will be an appeal so commanding, as well as so pathetic and pitiful, that no man calling himself a disciple of Jesus Christ, but must stand in his place and render not merely good service, but the most appropriate and the most capable service which he is able to render in the moral and spiritual redemption of the world. Into such a debt the church of

Jesus Christ comes with the opening years of the new century. It is not a question of theories and of adornments. It is a question of life itself. The church must give life or disappear.

What then will the church of Jesus Christ owe to the twentieth century?

It is a brave man who would venture to predict upon the brink of a volcano. No man can measure the sweep of a tidal wave. But even volcanoes and tidal waves have their operative laws, some of which we may comprehend. God is mightier than the volcano or the tide. Truth is greater than discussions about truth. "Unter der Hülle aller religionen liegt die Religion selbst." Searching then for those elementary underlying principles of our gospel and applying them to the known facts of human life and the rule and history of human development, some things may be laid down as of an eternal and undying nature. The twentieth century will tolerate no temporalities. It will demand and will receive only the eternities. Let us say, then, first of all, the church of Jesus Christ will owe to the twentieth century a theology as catholic as truth and a religion as inclusive as the New Testament. Unless we are greatly in error the new century will not inquire, Is it orthodox? but, Is it true? Of all pioneers and searchers for new light it will not care whether they are heretics, only whether they are honest men. It will have no time to split hairs about ecclesiastical problems to small profit. It will cease to give dignity to mere objectors in the name of tradition, and ask only whether a doctrine can be practised in life. It will demand catholicity and will have it. It will batter down all who stand in the way of an inclusive and New Testament breadth of Christian living and Christian thought. It will demand a catholic theology from the Protestant church or it will seek a Catholic church without a protestant theology. It will require truth from the lips of the preacher and truth in the life of the pew. It will take less account of statistical tables and more account of vitality in service and sacrifice. It will recognize that there can be no genuine relationship between an obsolete creed and a creative life. But it will be equally intolerant of theological novelties at the expense of practical discipline and efficiency. Its great concern will be first and last and always, Is it life?

Truthfulness will be elevated again into its rightful place as the cardinal virtue of human life. And because of its love of what is true, a love begotten not less from practical necessity than from intellectual emancipation and enlightenment, it will demand of protestant theology that it have the qualities of all truth, clearness, simplicity, and strength. It will not be satisfied with orotund ambiguities. It will not accept the dictum that a man's theology cannot be taught to a child. It will hold the moral universe and the moral problem one. It will ask only what is true for all and base its life upon the catholic doctrines which truths of universal application suggest. The only heresy will be sin. The only orthodoxy will be righteousness. The only qualification for theological acceptance will be catholicity and the qualities which catholicity implies, — clearness, simplicity, strength. Allied to such a theology it will demand and will

receive only a religion which is as inclusive as the New Testament. It will hold to the words of Jesus Christ against all the councils of Christendom. It will hold to Jesus Christ if it has to reject the church which bears his name. Such a theology and such a religion the church owes to the new century and must give it. It is a debt which has been bequeathed to us from our Lord himself. It is a debt which we have been often unwilling to assume and acknowledge to ourselves and the world. But when we have met it squarely and acknowledged it honestly, we have been the kings and princes of the earth. The church must go into the new century as St. Paul went into the gentile world, a debtor. She must rejoice to be the offscouring of the world for the sons of men. She must be willing to be all things to all men that by all means she may save some. If she must change her garments thrice daily and thrice daily change the form of her speech and the language of her message, she must change them all willingly for Christ's sake. The church is the assembly of just men endeavoring to become perfect by ministering in Christ's name. She must have a place for every man with the spirit of Christ. Anathema and fire from heaven are not of her armament.

Then again the church will owe to the twentieth century a genuine expression of the democracy of the gospel of Jesus Christ and a polity which expresses religiously the democracy which it will assert politically. The new century will see that the interpretation of the doctrine of the separation of church and state, as meaning the divorce of religion and political institutions, is as subversive of truth as it is destructive of morals. The twentieth century will tolerate permanently no union of any church with any state. But it will see and will give expression to its belief of the truth that to divorce religion from the political life of the people is to create a chasm which makes a spherical gospel life impossible and therefore will demand the restoration of religious ideals into the political life of the nations. It will hold no such folly as the doctrine that the moral life of a candidate for public office is not a proper subject of discussion or a proper measure of qualification. On the contrary, it will see that the moral question is eternally first. It will believe in principles, but it will believe in men more than in principles. Life being its criterion it will inquire of its political rulers first of all as to their qualifications for living with men and afterward as to their abilities for ruling them. It will hold that a bad man cannot be a good ruler. It will hold that a good ruler cannot be a bad man. Qualifications for political preferment will be based upon character as the first personal equipment. It will demand this in the interest of a genuine and real democracy. It will require it in the interest of self-preservation. It will emphasize it as a maxim of political wisdom and enforce it as a decree of statutory prudence. It will look to the church of Jesus Christ to instruct and inspire the people in this type of the religious ideal that the entry of religious thought into the sphere of state operations may not reveal moral anarchy in the affairs of government. Asserting the doctrine of absolute democracy in all else, it will demand moral democracy the more.

Whatever the form of its polity in its practical operation, the twentieth century church must be as democratic as the gospel itself. It must be as cosmopolitan as the Pentecostal assembly. It must have room for every man of every condition, and have the principles of brotherhood and equality recognized by all alike. It must teach men to practise in the church the modes of approach with which they are to come to the remaining activities of life. There will be place in the new century's activities for but one method of life. And the assertion of the sovereignty of Jesus Christ must be not over any single part of life but over every part of life. The church must again be the nursery of the state. It must raise up the heroes of the new social conflicts which the increasing difficulties of a more involved social order will bring. With a theology that is clear and unambiguous, and with a religious life that is tolerant and inclusive, though not therefore lax and subjunctive, it must have as well a fluid mode of action, a polity which admits of speedy decision, of prompt appeal to public sentiment and life, and quick mobilization in the interest of moral renovation and advance. Whatever the church polity of the twentieth century is called its practical operation will be congregational. Its coördinating clause will be the maxim of St. Paul, "One is your master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren." Constitutional precedents and interpreting decrees will be read and acted upon in the light of this view of the church, not this view made to fit constitutional decrees and the mandates of general assemblies. And congregationalism will mean in that century not a nominal but a real democracy in every church. It will not mean a denomination by that name. It will not mean a principle frequently asserted but as frequently made inoperative and void. It will mean, as it ought to mean, the brotherhood of the New Testament reproduced under the conditions of modern life, without fictitious excuses for its practical nullification and no tolerance for real or pseudo departures in the direction of sacerdotalism or episcopacy.

In a word, the church will owe to the twentieth century a presentation of the whole life and message of Jesus Christ unhindered by worldliness and unhampered by selfishness. It must bring to the new era into which mankind is coming the same motives which Christ himself brought to the first men who became his followers and representatives to the Roman world. It must appeal to high-heartedness and lofty courage. It must not be afraid to require sacrifices of the costliest and most penetrating character. It must not be satisfied with partial measures of spiritual inquiry or spiritual living. It must scorn expedients in the interest of ultimate truth. It must hate error more than it hates irregularity. It must recognize the prophetic nature of Christ's gospel as well as his priestly sacrifice. It must cleave to what is of good report. It must be continually breaking into the life of men and irradiating their whole existence with the principles of the Incomparable Life. But it must purge itself of hypocrisies whether intellectual or theological or spiritual. It must remember that its warfare is not carnal. It must recall that its instruments are the Holy Ghost and Fire. Light and cleansing within will

give increased influence and power without. It must supply the imagination with materials for a heroism which will outshine the charges of the battlefield or the splendor of naval glories on the high seas. It must invite to deeds of spiritual daring which will awaken in the souls of men the reverberation of the Sinaitic law and at the same time appeal with such unutterable pathos as will melt the hearts of men into obedience and love. Of truth and of life the twentieth century has a right to expect of us a Church of the New Testament and of Jesus Christ.

WHAT THE TWENTIETH CENTURY OWES TO THE CHURCH.

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This paper is an attempt to name some of the elements contributed by the church to the great inheritance which the nineteenth century is about to make over to the twentieth. It lies at once beyond the province and the power of the speaker to assay any analysis of this inheritance, or to indicate even remotely the rich and varied splendor of its content. It is enough to say that this century is about to give into the keeping of the next, the garnerings of time, and the hoarded sum of all that is enduring in human achievement; and that, furthermore, this inheritance has not suffered at the hands of those who have been for one hundred years its stewards. The goods which the fathers received are being passed on, not only undiminished, but marvellously increased and enlarged. The lights of the century have been crescent and prophetic. Their promise is larger than our largest hope, and vast beyond our dreams.

In the attempt to come upon the elements due to the church in this increase and enlargement of human good, the very breadth of the subject demands definition. The temptation is either to exaggerate or else to underestimate the church's service. It goes without saying that there have been large gains which, if they are to be traced back to the church at all, still lie so far removed from her, that the attempt to connect them would be forced. On the other hand, it would be equally unjust to narrow the service of the church to her organic actions and utterances. The real service of the church often reaches a long way beyond her frontiers, and has more than once flatly contradicted her official teaching. Two generations ago, for example, the church was creating a body of sentiment destined to overthrow slavery, while many of her leaders were marshalling Moses and patriarchs in defence of that very peculiar institution. The church to-day is, by virtue of her gospel, creating a body of sentiment likely to seriously modify existing conditions, while ministers and laymen who hail the present order as the very foundation stone of the kingdom are not far to seek. Clearly, the service of the church is to be measured by the logical outcome of her gospel and the fruition of her informing spirit, not by the resolutions of councils or the passing utterances of preachers.

These are the tests by which the five or six constituent elements here submitted as the contribution of the church to the civilization of the coming century have been tried. They are the logical outcome of the gospel which the church has been preaching, and the fruition of her informing spirit. If they are not the contribution of the church, I, for one, do not know their genesis. When one adds that it is not only now possible to indicate pretty definitely the constituent elements of the coming civilization, but even proper to speak of them in the present tense, one has said enough by way of introduction.

The twentieth century owes to the church, to begin with, *the constant and saving renewal of the springs of character and action.* Apart from any single application of the gospel which she preaches, or any distinct fruition of her informing spirit, the first great service of the church has been the spiritual renewal, the regeneration, if you want the old word, of men's souls. From these renewed souls, the renewed social order has been always flowing and always must flow. There is no short cut to the kingdom. There is no social redemption apart from the redemption of the individual. If strong, clean tides of life are passing from this century into the next, it is because the church, as mediator of the power of God, has constantly made for their purification and enlargement. The home has been kept pure, business just and honest, politics clean and God-fearing, society loving and fraternal, and the whole range of life bettered and redeemed because generations of men and women, whose own regenerate life has brought renewal to all which they touched, have been constantly going out from the church. It is as impossible to overestimate as it is to follow into its final manifestations this basal of service of the church, rendered through the regenerate lives of men and women. It is wrought into the very fabric of society and has become a vital part of its constitution.

Again, and more definitely, the twentieth century owes to the church *its sense of the reality and permanence of the spiritual.* When the deeper movements of our time so disclose themselves as to make generalization possible, I venture to affirm that on the side of the spirit, the struggle will be seen to have centred about the spirit's right to be. The minor strife as to creed and inspiration which has so exercised us will not prove to have been so vital as we think. We are like men on shipboard, who, though perfectly agreed as to course and harbor, have had words about small details of the chart, affecting in nowise its authority, while there were beneath them great tidal movements which threatened to draw the very sea from under their keel. We have been disputing about the minutiæ of revelation and the methods of the spirit, when at times the great question has been whether there was anything to be revealed or any spirit to reveal it. For thirty years after the publication of "Origin of Species," the movements of science were without a parallel. There was no domain into which they did not push and, for a time, possess, almost without challenge, certainly without effectual resistance. Hypothesis was piled upon hypothesis, each making for the more complete extinction of the spiritual, until there was apparently left neither in heaven or earth any cleft into which it might

withdraw for safety. If faith were not in complete eclipse, the chill penumbra of doubt fell across life and conduct and numbed where it did not slay. Materialism dominated large areas of political and industrial activity, and with subtle and hurtful touch weakened the inner springs of life.

Now, all this is largely past. It is not too much to say that the whole frontage of present day thought is toward the spiritual. Science is come so near to parting the veil behind which the Shekinah abides that we may not look upon her revelation with unveiled eyes. Laboratories are holy places. The generalizations of great thinkers are bulletins of spiritual victory. We are no longer seeking gaps in the order of things where God may hide. We see him everywhere, and know the whole order as his revelation, instinct with the immanent power of the divine. The question as to the reality and permanance of the spiritual is settled once and for all, and this the twentieth century owes the church. Not because the church has beaten science or philosophy upon their own fields or with their own weapons. No; the church has won, not as protagonist, but as witness. She has borne unshaken testimony during troubled times to the reality of a realm into which even a wayfaring man may enter, and which once entered is its own best witness. She has spoken to those deep inner verities which, like Lazarus, have heard her voice even in those chambers which we sorrowfully supposed to be the chambers of death, and, like Lazarus, have come forth. Her broken visions have disclosed realities which would not be disturbed. She has proved her right to be; not by logic or demonstration, but by direct appeal to the spiritual consciousness. She has saved the spiritual from the suicide of confessed defeat. In the person of her Lord, Jesus Christ, she has offered this generation the one way plain enough for a child to find it; real enough to endure the searching criticism of an age of doubt; and high enough in its furthest reaches to lift the aspiring soul into the realm of the eternal, and the fellowship of the divine. In all this she has had puissant allies; but, nevertheless, had the voices of the church been utterly stilled for the last forty years, materialism, one may safely say, would have had its own way; and the consciousness of the spiritual would be so sorely wounded as to count for next to nothing in the lives of the next century.

The twentieth century owes to the church *the social conscience.* No conviction is more likely to be grounded in the ethic of the new time than the conviction of a man's duty to his brother. We are thoroughly persuaded of two things: Of the power which society has in the making of a man, and of the responsibility which rests upon us in the administration of that power. We are coming to see that the babe born of stained and distorted lives, into stained and distorted surroundings, is not God's malformation, but ours; that a bulk of sin too large to be complacently faced is social sin; that a vast deal of evil is not a speculative mystery, but a social crime; that when throngs of our fellowmen are hailed before the judgment bar of God, we shall be co-respondents; that society can be nothing if not redemptive, and that our duty is not done until a way is opened from the feet of the man at the bottom clean up to the topmost

heights of human possibility, and the strong, loving, brotherly arm of society thrown about him to help him climb there.

These convictions, I say, are coming to be so grounded in every man's ethics as to definitely color his conception of duty. Taken together, they constitute the social conscience. Morality is widened to the compass of human fellowship, and deepened to the need of the man at the bottom. *Laisser faire* as an ethical principle is dead and buried, and the great word of St. Paul's, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfil the law of Christ," is taking its place as the law of right living together.

It is impossible to forecast the revolution which the social conscience is destined to work. We have hints of it now. It is rebuilding our cities; emptying the slums; knocking warningly at the door of rich, intrenched selfishness; and putting on the whole armor of God, in the light of what has been from of old the sin of Cain, the attempt to reach any sort of preferment over the slain bodies of our brethren. And this is only the beginning. The social conscience will not rest until the whole social order is charged with redemptive power, and instinct with fraternal love; until we measure the worth of every institution by its ability to turn out men, and state the final output of industry in terms not of stuff but of character.

Now the social conscience is the contribution of the church. It is rooted in the spiritual. It is based upon the essential worth of the human soul. Its methods are the methods of love and co-operation, which are the informing spirit of the church. Its motive power is that sacrificial love upon which, as upon a rock, the church is built. It is the very essence of Christianity, and its place in the coming order is due to the increased clearness with which the church has latterly come to see the full significance of the trust committed to her keeping.

The twentieth century owes to the church, in large part, *the growing sense of human solidarity.* The world is getting all of a piece. The concerns of each nation are coming to be the concerns of all. We tremble at the same touch. We are served by a common knowledge. We are swayed by common ideas, and tend increasingly toward a common goal. A multitude of influences, direct and indirect, are bringing all this to pass.

But the one element in which all these mutual approaches are to find their perfect fusion is a Christian civilization set upon principles which the church declares, and animated by the spirit of which the church is the mediator. The twentieth century is bound to see a fellowship of the nations, out of which shall spring a marvellously varied and enriched civilization, and in the face of which armies shall melt away and navies become the white carriers of peace. It is monstrous that the nations should bristle with hostile arms. It is monstrous that war should always be the alternative. The atmosphere of jealous distrust, which poisons the whole field of international relationship, is hateful and hideous. Already forces are set going which bear within themselves the hope of a better day. No matter how slow and grudging and suspicious the response, the word of peace, which has lately been spoken by the Russian Czar, will

become the word of humanity, because it has within it the impulse of brotherhood, and because the growing sense of human solidarity is fighting for it. They have much to answer for who, in these days, tell us that there can be no peace which does not rest upon shotted guns, and no strenuous life which does not redden its hands in brothers' blood. They are false to the teachings of Jesus Christ. They are impotently hostile to the swelling tides of God. A volcano is a long time dying, and I know not what red eruption, hot from the nether fires, shall still burst from the uneasy volcano of war, but I do know that the eruptions are farther and farther apart; that some day the last hate-begotten impulse shall have spent itself, and the star of Bethlehem be shining down upon the quiet summit now touched forever with the white glory of lasting peace.

The twentieth century owes to the church *whatever real transference of a higher civilization has been accomplished.* Our effort is marked by an extension of Western civilization accomplished by arms, by trade, or by missions. It is too soon to say any final word about the attempt to impose occidental civilization upon the orient, but it is possible to say, without much fear of contradiction, that in so far as any real transference has been accomplished, Christian missions, in a large sense, have been the means, and that for a vital reason. Our civilization is the fruitage of a Christianized soil. It is not an imposition; it is an evolution. Its organization is only the expression of its indwelling life. It is the unfolding of the spirit of Jesus Christ, working through the individual and through society, and it can only really be transferred by the transference of the life from which it springs. Every transference otherwise gained is transient and delusive, and will pass with the authority which dreams that men can be civilized by the sword and Christianized by even the justest administration. We have yet to learn that only those civilizations endure which spring from a quickened Christianized life, and are left largely free to find their own organic form. I doubt whether the service of the missionary in creating the elemental condition of a Christianized civilization has been duly emphasized. In our new-gained ardor for the extension of American civilization, we are in sore danger of forgetting this first condition of the enduring transfer of any civilization. The redemption of the Philippines is essentially a problem of the transfer of moral dynamic. One missionary corps would do more for the kingdom of God than a whole regiment of soldiers trampling into the red mire of Luzon, that faith in man which has made America the hope of men.

Not in the movement of armies or the majesty of vast administration lies the final hope of the enlargement of the noblest Christian civilization, but in the silent and inner renewal of life made possible by the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ, and made actual by the sacrificial love of devoted men and women who in darkness and great loneliness have been doing what armies and navies are powerless to do, making straight a highway for the Lord.

The twentieth century owes to the church the conception destined to become the social dynamic of the future, *the conception of the kingdom*

of God. When one has said this, one has in a single phrase named everything else. For the age which it masters, this conception will mean the introduction of new and definite and tremendous motives. It will mean the transformation of all endeavor, the consecration of all activity, the readjustment of relationships, and a new statement of life's compelling powers. It will furnish a new definition of the sanctity of life. As men are mastered by it, they will pass permanently from the realm of the purely secular. In the kingdom of God there is no secular. That hateful line of demarcation which has from of old broken life into two parts, work on one side, and worship on the other, will disappear. The workshop and the desk will become altar-places where men sacrifice to God, and the whole of life be lifted to those shining table-lands whereof our God is moon and sun.

To the age which it masters this conception will furnish a new definition of the unity of all right development. The renewal of the springs of character and conduct; the new sense of the permanence of the spiritual; the quickened social conscience; the growing sense of human solidarity; the transference of Christian civilization, — these are not isolated and detached phenomena, these are different aspects of a single movement whose first impulse is rooted in the redemptive purpose of God, and whose goal is the kingdom of God on earth. This conception furnishes a new definition of the end of all endeavor, a new interpretation of the meaning of the cosmic process. It is the burden of the poet's song; the fulfilment of the prophet's vision; and the consummation of all redemptive love. If the church of our generation, for this is our gift, had done nothing else than formulate a conception of the kingdom of God, she would have justified her right to be.

And finally, the next century will owe to the church *an abiding reinforcement.* The kingdom of God is more than a conception. It is an actual order, every day more clearly disclosing its strength and beauty. Its walls are even now rising in our midst. And in all this, the church has borne a good and abiding part. By the grace of God, all right endeavor is cumulative. The moment of the kingdom grows with the passing years. In this I find at once the justification of all present endeavor and the sure hope of eventful victory. If there is no real consummation of spiritual energy, if the good we do dies with us, if the future is no better for our strife, there is little reason that we should spend ourselves in toil, whose fruits at best are transient as our fleeting lives; but if all right endeavor is conserved, if we are spending ourselves in the creation of an increasing fund of redemptive power into which all sacrifice and toil have abidingly entered, if we know that the armies of God are reinforced by the centuries, and fight in the garnered strength of time, if God sees to it that not a prayer is unavailing and not a tear waters the earth in vain, then we can fight as though already crowned; for, though we fall, our souls go marching on.

Brethren, as we move through the opening gates of the twentieth century, we keep step with all the hosts of God, and we march to victory.

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Edward C. Camp, Whitman, *i.*, June 22, 1899.
Christopher W. Collier, Orange, *i.*, April 5, 1899.
Arthur J. Covell, North ch., Lynn, *i.*, June 21, 1898.
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John P. Hawley, *w. c.*, Monson, July 5, 1898.
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MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS.

Dates from the earliest times of the Colony. Annual business meeting in the court-room of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston, at 5 P. M., on the last Wednesday in May. Sermon at 11 A. M., on the day following. At this service a collection is taken, which, with the income of the Convention fund, is distributed to the widows and daughters of deceased Congregational ministers.

Every minister of a Congregational church in Massachusetts (whether Trinitarian or Unitarian) is *ex officio* a member of the Convention.

There is a reporting committee of twenty-five, selected by counties throughout the State, by which recommendations are made to a central committee of seven, which decides on all applications for aid.

PERMANENT OFFICERS. — Rev. Benjamin F. Hamilton, Boston (Roxbury), *scribe*, and Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *treasurer;* to either of whom applications for aid may be addressed.

MASSACHUSETTS CONGREGATIONAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

Incorporated in 1786. Organized to hold the funds of the Convention. Composed of fifteen clergymen and fifteen laymen, elected from both branches of the Congregational body. Aids the widows and orphans of deceased Congregational clergymen who have died while holding the pastoral office in Massachusetts.

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Applications for aid should be made to Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, Mass.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP.

The special attention of the churches is called to the following RULE of the Association: —

V. MEMBERS. — Each Evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, treasurer, and the pastor of the church with which the annual session is held, shall compose the General Association.

This resolution was also adopted: —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that churches sending delegates to the Annual Meetings of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts shall be recommended to pay the expenses of the delegates whom they send.

A DELEGATE FROM EVERY CHURCH would give us a grand and inspiring meeting.

1899.

The Minutes are sent to the churches by direction of the General Association. It is requested that one copy annually be preserved with the records of each church, and that the remaining copies be distributed among the officers and members in the way most likely to promote an intelligent interest in the condition and prosperity of the churches.

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THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL AID.

This Board had its origin in action taken by the General Association of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts in 1868, and was incorporated by an act of the Legislature in 1869.

Caleb H. Warner, 48 Brewster Street, Cambridge, is now its president; Arthur G. Stanwood, Esq., 701 Sears Building, Boston, is treasurer, to whom all contributions should be sent.

Rev. Edward B. Palmer, Rev. Morton Dexter, and Rev. Charles B. Rice are the executive committee.

Applications for aid should be sent to Rev. Edward B. Palmer, at Room 9, Congregational House. A small contribution is greatly needed annually from each church. Donations are also solicited from individuals. Should any one desire to leave a legacy in aid of the benevolent work of this Board, the following form of bequest will be sufficient: —

I give and devise to the Board of Ministerial Aid, incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, for the charitable uses and purposes of said Corporation,

No officer of this Board receives any compensation for his services. No other board, society, or organization in this Commonwealth contributes anything for the support of needy Congregational ministers. Our country gives large pensions to her needy soldiers. Why should not our churches give something for "the aid, support, and comfort of their aged, disabled, superannuated, or needy ministers," and of "the widows and children of such ministers"?

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Auditing committee. — Eleazer Boynton, of Medford; Rev. George H. Flint, of Boston; James Hale Dodge, of Jamaica Plain.

Members of executive committee of Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. — W. C. Strong, of Newton Highlands; Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn.

On ministerial standing. — Rev. A. E. Dunning, of Boston; Rev. M. A. Breed, of Westboro; Rev. J. A. MacColl, of New Bedford; Rev. W. A. Bartlett, of Lowell; Rev. William C. Gordon, of Westfield.

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On gambling. — Rev. C. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. C. M. Southgate, of Auburndale; S. Homer Woodbridge, of Boston; Rev. E. M. Noyes, of Newton Center; Rev. Isaac Pierson, of West Medford; Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; Rev. P. W. Lyman, of Fall River.

On work of the churches. — For three years: Augustus Smith, of Lee; Rev. Joshua Coit, of Winchester; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville. For two years: Rev. John D. Kingsbury, of Bradford; Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Dea. S. E. Bridgman, of Northampton. For one year: Rev. S. G. Barnes, of Longmeadow; Rev. F. L. Bristol, of Uxbridge; George H. Shaw, of Middleboro.

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On the federation of the churches. — Rev. W. W. Adams, of Fall River; Rev. J. H. Denison, of Williamstown; Frederick Fosdick, of Fitchburg.

On ministerial education. — Rev. George A. Gordon, of Boston; Rev. A. B. Bassett, of Ware; Rev. C. H. Beale, of Dorchester; Charles A. Denny, of Leicester; Frank A. Foxcroft, of Cambridge.

On revision of the rules of the Association. — Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; W. T. Forbes, of Worcester; A. G. Cumnock, of Lowell; Rev. W. L. Tenney, of North Adams.

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Essex, North, Rev. J. D. Kingsbury.
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Hampshire, East, Rev. E. W. Gaylord.
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Taunton, Rev. T. Clayton Welles.
Woburn, Rev. Doremus Scudder.

Other Conferences will appoint at their next meetings.

NOTICES FOR 1900.

Meeting of 1901. — Andover, Tuesday, May 21.

Expenses. — The treasurers of the conferences are requested to ask the churches, at the autumnal meetings, to contribute a sum equivalent to six cents for each member, based upon the total membership of Jan. 1, 1900, and to forward the amount to Henry P. Emerson, 33 Bedford Street, Boston, Mass. These amounts are needed promptly, and it is specially requested that all dues be paid before Jan. 1, 1901. The number of members in each church will be found in the statistics of the churches on pages 28–56.

OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

HENRY M. MOORE, Somerville, *moderator.*

(ELECTED FOR THREE YEARS EACH.)

REV. HENRY A. HAZEN, Auburndale, *secretary.*
From 1888. Re-elected 1900.

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From 1895. Re-appointed 1900.

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From 1889. Re-elected 1900.

REV. ALMON J. DYER, Sharon, *assistant registrar.*
Elected 1900.

HENRY P. EMERSON, Boston, *treasurer.*
Elected 1899.

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Room 610 Congregational House.

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RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

I. NAME. — This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

II. OBJECT. — Its object is to secure Christian union, fellowship, and intercourse among the ministers and churches ; promote spirituality, and to co-operate with one another and with other ecclesiastical bodies in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom.

III. DOCTRINAL BASIS. — This Association agrees to the Declaration of Faith adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches in the year 1865, the doctrines therein set forth being understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the gospel.

IV. DENOMINATIONAL BASIS. — Being based exclusively upon Congregational principles, this Association shall, under no circumstances, exercise ecclesiastical authority over churches or individuals, or interfere with the government or discipline of the churches, or consent to hear appeals, or give advice in ecclesiastical causes of any kind.

V. MEMBERS. — Each evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer, shall compose the General Association. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit.

VI. OFFICERS. — 1. A secretary, an assistant secretary, a registrar, an assistant registrar, and a treasurer shall be chosen by ballot, each to serve three years from the close of the session at which the choice was made; to these offices any member of any Congregational church connected with this body shall be eligible. In case any of these offices become vacant between the annual meetings of the Association, the vacancy may be filled until the next following meeting by vote of the remaining officers.

2. A moderator and alternate shall be elected by ballot at each annual session, to serve from the close of that session and until the election of their successors.

3. The secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, collect the statistics of ministers and churches, and have charge

of the printing thereof ; distribute the publications of the Association and preserve, for the permanent use of the Association, copies of all its publications.

4. The registrar shall make the records of each meeting, and preserve them as the permanent property of the Association. He shall give suitable notice to the churches of the time and place of each session.

5. The treasurer shall receive all money raised for the use of the Association, disburse the same as directed by the auditing committee through its chairman, and present an annual report, to be audited as the Association may direct.

6. The secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer shall be, *ex officio*, members of the Association. Their travelling expenses in attending the several sessions shall be paid by the Association.

VII. ANNUAL MEETING. — The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of May, at two P. M. (or at some other more convenient hour), at such place as shall have been duly designated.

VIII. HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY. — The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may annually elect two delegates to be members of this body, while it consents that this body may nominate two persons for membership in the Executive Committee of that society.

The two persons thus nominated shall be from the membership of the Association at the time, and shall not be eligible for nomination for more than two years in succession, and shall, if required, make report concerning the work of the society at the next meeting of the Association.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE. — Official fraternal intercourse with the several State Congregational organizations, and with other denominations, is sufficiently had by the representation of this body in the National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States.

X. ORGANIZATION. — The moderator, or in his absence, the pastor of the church of the place of meeting, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until it be properly organized. The Association shall then be organized by the choice of a moderator and the session shall be opened with prayer.

XI. COMMITTEES. — The following committees shall be chosen: —

(1.) A Committee on Credentials, which shall be appointed by the moderator immediately after the opening of the session, to which all certificates of membership shall be referred.

(2.) A Committee on Nominations, to nominate the following and any other committees referred to them, except as hereinafter provided.

(3.) A COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS for the session consisting of five, of whom two shall be from members of the Provisional Committee, to prepare the business of the session, and no business shall be introduced

but through the hands or with the approval of the committee; but if said committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

(4.) A Provisional Committee of five, of whom the secretary or registrar shall be one, to prepare the schedule for the next annual meeting, to select a preacher for the Associational sermon, and persons to prepare such written papers as they shall deem desirable.

(5.) A Committee of Publication to consist of the secretary, registrar, treasurer, and two other persons to be appointed at the session, which shall make provision for the printing of such documents and papers as may be necessary in the work of the Association.

(6.) A Committee on the Work of the Churches, which shall make report to this body at the next annual session upon the work of the churches and state of religion. This Committee shall consist of nine members, three to be chosen each year, to serve for three years. The scribes of the local conferences shall be corresponding members of this committee.

(7.) A Committee to Audit the Accounts for the next annual meeting, which shall report the state of the treasury and the sum, in its opinion, necessary to be asked from the churches for the next ensuing year, and, through its chairman, approve all bills presented for payment.

XII. EXERCISES. — The time of the annual session shall be occupied by devotional services, the consideration of the state of religion, the wants and methods of home evangelization, addresses, and discussions of practical religious interest, and attention to the objects of benevolent enterprise sustained by the churches.

XIII. SPECIAL ORDERS. — 1. At the opening of the session, on the mornings of Wednesday and Thursday, the moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the sessions of each day shall be closed with prayer or hymn.

2. The Associational sermon and Lord's Supper shall be assigned to Tuesday evening. Wednesday evening shall be devoted to exercises having special reference to the people of the place of meeting, or a sermon may be preached, the preacher to be selected by the Provisional Committee. One session of the Association, or a part thereof, shall be given to the Mass. Home Missionary Society.

XIV. PLACE OF MEETING. — Previous to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify the place of meeting for the next year; and the church of the place of meeting selected is requested to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper in the course of the service. The Lord's Supper shall be administered generally without remarks.

XV. RULES OF ORDER. — The rules of order shall be those found in common parliamentary practice, subject, however, to the following specifications: —

1. That all reports of committees other than those named in Rule XI. shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the regular meeting, and furnished to the secretary on or before April 1st. They shall not be read at the meeting, but one hour of the session may be devoted to the discussion of these topics.

2. That no committee other than those named in Rule XI. shall be continued without a definite yearly vote of the Association, and no member of any special committee shall serve for more than two consecutive years without an enabling vote of the Association.

3. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, the moderator shall entertain motions only as follows, viz.: to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone to a time certain, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the foregoing order.

XVI. AMENDMENTS. — 1. Any of the above rules, except the first five, may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote, the proposed amendment having been submitted in writing on the day previous to that of the action.

2. Amendments to either of the first five articles shall not be made except upon their proposals in writing at the annual meeting next prior to that of action, and after notice has been sent to the several Associations, Conferences, and Churches, and by a two-thirds vote.

MINUTES

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS met for its ninety-eighth annual session with the First church, Amherst, Tuesday, May 15, 1900.

ROLL OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

DELEGATES FROM THE CHURCHES.

Abington,	Rev. De Mont Goodyear, Dea. J. T. Richmond.
Agawam, Feeding Hills,	Rev. Walter Rice.
Amherst, 1st,	Rev. Charles S. Walker.
" 2d,	Rev. Chester W. Hawley, Dea. Henry E. Hastings.
" College.	Pres. George Harris.
" North,	Rev. Eber W. Gaylord, Dea. C. H. Kellogg.
" South,	Rev. John F. Gleason, Dea. George O. Hannum.
Andover, South,	John L. Brewster.
" Ballardvale,	Rev. Edwin Smith, William Shaw.
" Seminary,	Rev. Pres. Geo. F. Moore, Prof. Wm. B. Graves.
Ashfield,	Rev. Horace F. Hallett, Dea. Fred'k H. Smith.
Athol,	Mrs. Rolla G. Bugbee.
Attleboro,	Rev. Wilson S. Fritch, John Thatcher.
Barnstable, Hyannis,	Rev. Edgar C. Wheeler, Mrs. M. H. Holmes.
Barre,	Rev. Joseph F. Gaylord.
Becket, Center,	Rev. Charles O. Eames.
" North,	John H. Richardson.
Belchertown,	Mrs. Alice L. Kendall.
Belmont, Waverley,	Rev. George P. Gilman.
Berlin,	Rev. Arthur P. Pratt, Dea. T. P. Felton.
Bernardston,	Alonzo Alford.
Beverly, Washington St.,	Dea Issachar Lefavour.
Blackstone,	Rev. Walter H. Rollins, Mrs. W. H. Rollins.
Blandford, 1st,	Rev. Allan C. Ferrin.
Boston, Old South,	Henry H. Proctor.
" 2d. Dorchester,	Rev. A. E. Colton.
" Union,	Hamilton S. Conant.
" West Roxbury,	Rev. Frank W. Merrick.
" Shawmut,	James B. Hawkins.
" Jamaica Plain,	Rev. Cyrus P. Osborne.
" Pilgrim, Dorchester,	Mrs. Mary H. Hunt.
" Walnut Ave., Rox ,	Rev. Albert H. Plumb.
" Central, Dorchester,	Rev. George H. Flint, Mrs. George H. Flint.
" Roslindale,	Dea. William H. Warner.
Bridgewater,	Arthur C. Boyden.
Brockton, South Campello,	Rev. Albert F. Pierce, George M. Howard.
Brookline, Harvard,	M. F. Dickinson, Jr.
" Leyden,	Rev. Albert E Dunning.
Cambridge, 1st,	Dea. George S. Saunders.
" Prospect St.,	Albert B. Long.
" Wood Memorial,	Dea Abijah R. Buck.
Charlemont, 1st,	Rev. George H. Pratt.
" East,	Rev. Lyman Whiting.

Chelmsford, Central,	Rev. Robert A. McFadden.
Chelsea, 1st,	Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart.
Chesterfield,	Dea. William Baker.
Chicopee, 1st,	Rev. Collins G. Burnham.
" 2d, Falls,	Dea. F. M. Nichols.
" 3d,	Rev. Herbert P. Woodin.
Conway,	Rev. Eugene F. Hunt. Mrs. W. A. Pease.
Cummington,	Rev. Lewis F. Reid.
Dalton,	Rev. George W. Andrews.
Danvers Center,	Rev. Harry C. Adams, Rev. Charles B. Rice.
Easthampton, 1st,	Rev. Sumner G. Wood, Dea. L. E. Parsons.
" Payson,	Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, Joseph H. Sawyer.
East Longmeadow,	Rev. Harry C. McKnight.
Essex,	Rev. Lyman H. Blake, Mrs. L. H. Blake.
Everett, 1st,	Rev. William I. Sweet, H. I. Parkhurst.
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	Rev. A. Fred'k Dunnels.
" Rollstone,	Rev. Wm. O. Conrad, Dea. Charles H. Doten.
Framingham,	Rev. Lucius R. Eastman, Henry K. Eastman.
" South,	Dea. Frederick J. Stevens.
Franklin, 1st,	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath.
Georgetown, Memorial,	C. Julian Tuthill.
Gill,	Rev. William H. Dowden.
Gloucester, West,	Rev. Temple Cutler.
" Trinity,	Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard, John Cunningham.
Goshen,	Rev. Calvin Keyser, Mrs. Calvin Keyser.
Granby,	Rev. Robert C. Bell, Mrs. R. C. Bell.
Greenfield, 1st,	Rev. G. R. W. Scott.
" 2d,	Solon L. Newton.
Hadley, 1st,	Rev. Edward E. Keedy.
" 2d, North,	Rev. John W. Lane.
Hanover, West.	Rev. Edward D. Disbrow.
Hardwick, Gilbertville,	Rev. Samuel A. Barrett, Lewis N. Gilbert.
Hatfield,	Dea. Oscar Belden.
Haverhill, West,	Rev. John N. Lowell.
" Center,	Dea. Hazen M. Chase.
Hawley, West,	Rev. Thomas S. Roble.
Hinsdale,	Rev. James C. Seagrave.
Holden,	Rev. Thomas E. Babb.
Holyoke, 1st,	Rev. George W. Winch, Dea. G. W. Brainerd.
" 2d,	Rev. Franklin P. Reinhold,
Huntington, 2d,	Rev. G. Walter Fisk,
Hyde Park,	Rev. Henry N. Hoyt, Alfred F. Bridgman.
" Clarendon Hills,	Rev. Achilles L. Loder.
Lee,	Rev. Lyman S. Rowland, Mrs. Eliz. M. Rowland.
Leicester,	Rev. David C. Reid.
Leverett,	Rev. Richard Scoles.
" Moore's Corner,	Rev. J. C. Wightman.
Lexington,	Rev. Chas. F. Carter, Dea. Henry H. Hamilton.
Longmeadow,	Rev. Stephen G. Barnes, William F. Emerson.
Lowell, Pawtucket,	Mrs. A. C. Varnum.
Lowell, Highland,	Dea. James G. Buttrick.
Lynn, North,	Rev. Arthur J. Covell, Mrs. Anna C. Covell.
Malden,	Rev. Henry H. French, George W. Winslow.
Manchester,	Rev. Walter H. Ashley.
Marshfield, 1st,	Rev. Frederick W. Manning.
Medford, Mystic,	E. Boynton.
" West,	Rev. Judson V. Clancy.
Medway, West,	Rev. George E. Sweet.
Melrose Highlands,	Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, Walter S. Tower.

Merrimac,	M. Perry Sargent.
Methuen,	Rev. Charles H. Oliphant, Samuel E. Mason.
Millbury, 2d,	Rev. George P. Eastman, Amos Armsby.
Milton,	Dea. John A. Tucker.
Monson,	Rev. Franklin S. Hatch, W. S. T. Fitz.
Montague,	J. W. Dugan.
" Miller's Falls,	W. W. Mason, Jr.
" Turner's Falls,	Rev. Frank N. Merriam.
Needham,	Rev. Ralph J. Haughton.
New Bedford, Trinitarian,	Rev. William Carruthers.
New Braintree,	Rev. Francis H. Boynton.
Newbury,	Rev. Charles S. Holton.
Newburyport, Belleville,	Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock.
Newton, 1st, Center,	Rev. Edward M. Noyes, Charles E. Kelsey.
" Eliot,	Rev. William H. Davis, Herbert A. Wilder.
" Auburndale,	Rev. Addison P. Foster.
" Newtonville,	Rev. Ozora S. Davis, Edmund M. Blake.
" Highlands,	Lemuel Boyd.
North Adams,	Dea. Alexander McDougall.
Northampton, Edwards,	Rev. Peter McMillan, S. E. Bridgman,
Northbridge, Whitinsville,	Rev. John R. Thurston,
North Brookfield, 1st,	Rev. John L. Sewall.
" Union,	Dea. E. H. Stoddard.
Norwood,	Rev. Charles F. Weeden.
Oxford,	Dea. John E. Kimball.
Palmer, 2d,	Rev. Fosdick B. Harrison.
Paxton,	Rev. George W. Clark.
Peabody, South,	Rev. George A. Hall.
Pelham, Packardv'e, Enfield,	Horace C. Broughton.
Pittsfield, 1st,	Dea. William G. Harding.
" Pilgrim Memorial,	Rev. Raymond Calkins.
Prescott,	Rev. William S. Anderson, Dea. G. F. Allen.
Randolph,	Rev. Charles A. Hilton, M. W. Baker.
Reading,	Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, Rev. Azro H. Smith.
Rockport, 1st,	Rev. Israel Ainsworth, George M. Haskins.
Salem, Tabernacle,	Rev. De Witt S. Clark, Henry S. Stearns.
Sandisfield,	Rev. George Bliss.
Sharon,	Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Osmund J. Billings.
Shelburne,	George E. Taylor.
Somerville, 1st,	Rev. Rob't W. Wallace, J. Gardner Tewksbury.
" Broadway,	Rev. Warren P. Landers.
" Winter Hill,	John Herbert.
South Hadley,	Rev. Arthur B. Patten, Dea. Calvin Preston.
Southwick,	Rev. Lyndon S. Crawford.
Spencer,	Charles N. Prouty.
Springfield, Olivet,	Rev. Edwin H. Hadlock, Mrs. Chas. H. Barrows.
" South,	Rev. Philip S. Moxom, Dea. Albert H. Kirkham.
" North,	Rev. Newton M. Hall.
" Hope,	Rev. Samuel H. Woodrow, Miss Lucy G. Stock.
" Eastern Ave.,	Rev. J. W. Conklin, Prof. G. W. Pease.
" Emmanuel,	Rev. David L. Kebbe, Mrs. H. C. Thayer.
" Park,	Rev. Allen E. Cross.
" St. John's,	Rev. William N. De Berry.
Stoneham,	William F. Greenough.
Sunderland,	Rev. Edward P. Butler, Dea. H. G. Sanderson.
Sutton,	Rev. Frank A. Lombard.
Taunton, Winslow,	Rev. T. C. Welles, Mrs. Jennie S. Welles.
" East,	Rev. Halah H. Loud.
Townsend,	Rev. Lyman Mevis.
Upton,	Appleton P. Williams.

Uxbridge,	Rev. Frank L. Bristol, Wm. A. Johnson, M. D.
Ware,	Dr. W. O. Barrett.
" East,	Rev. Austin B. Bassett.
Warren, 1st,	Rev. William B. Oleson, E. A. Day.
Wellesley Hills,	Rev. Parris T. Farwell.
West Brookfield,	Rev. J. H. Gaylord.
Westfield, 2d,	Rev. William C. Gordon, Dea. Smith Harding.
West Springfield,	Rev. George W. Love, Mrs. George W. Love.
" Park St.,	Rev. William H. Webb, Mrs. W. H. Webb.
West Stockbridge, Center,	Rev. Walter W. Curtis.
Weymouth, 1st, Heights,	Prof. Joseph O. Thompson.
" East,	Rev. Francis A. Poole, Mrs. F. A. Poole.
Whitman,	Rev. Edward C. Camp, Howard S. Baker.
Wilbraham,	Prof. S. Francis Howard.
" North,	Rev. Charles H. Gates.
Williamsburg,	Dea. Henry W. Hill.
Winchester,	Rev. D. Augustine Newton, Dea. Chas. E. Swett.
Windsor,	Rev. George Sterling.
Woburn,	Rev. Doremus Scudder, Dea. John R. Carter.
Worcester, Central,	Rev. Eldridge Mix.
" Union,	Rev. John E. Tuttle, Dea. A. E. Wilson.
" Memorial,	Rev. Orange C. Bailey.
" Plymouth,	Rev. Rufus M. Taft.
" Piedmont,	Rev. Willard Scott, Rev. Amos H. Coolidge.
" Pilgrim,	A. E. Gray, Mrs. A. E. Gray.
" Covenant,	Mrs. A. C. Crossfield.
Worthington,	Rev. M. J. Allen, Otis H. Buck.
Yarmouth, West,	Rev. Edgar C. Wheeler.

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. Elijah Horr, Malden. William C. Strong, Newton.

MEMBERS, EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Auburndale, secretary.
Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Neponset, assistant secretary.
Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Boston, registrar.

DELEGATES FROM THE ASSOCIATIONS.

Berkshire North,	Rev. Henry M. Bowden.
Cape Cod,	Rev. Edgar C. Wheeler, Hyannis.
Essex South and Salem,	Rev. Warren P. Landers, Somerville.
Hampden,	Rev. Winfield S. Hawkes.
Hampshire,	Rev. H. Preserved Smith.
Hampshire East,	Prof. Edward P. Crowell.
Middlesex South,	Rev. S. Ingersoll Briant.
Norfolk,	Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Sharon.
Plymouth,	Rev. Haig Adadourian, Plymouth.
Suffolk, South,	Rev. William Gallagher, Braintree.
Suffolk, West,	Rev. Erastus Blakeslee, Brookline.
Worcester, North,	Rev. Rolla G. Bugbee.

DELEGATES FROM THE CONFERENCES.

Essex, North,	Rev. George L. Todd, Merrimac.
" South,	Rev. Charles C. Watson, Lynn.
Hampshire, East,	Rev. Arthur B. Patten, South Hadley.
Old Colony,	Rev. Robert Humphrey, Mattapoisett.
Suffolk, South,	M. C. Hazard, Dorchester.
" West,	B. F. Dewing.
Worcester, South,	Rev. Alexander Wiswall, Upton.

ORGANIZATION. — At 2 P. M. the Association was called to order by the Rev. P. S. Moxom, of Springfield, moderator. Prayer was offered by Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator: —

On credentials. — Rev. Geo. W. Winch, of Holyoke; Rev. Charles S. Walker, of Amherst; Rev. Geo. H. Hubbard, of Enfield; A. H. Kirkham, of Springfield; Rev. Arthur B. Patten, of South Hadley.

On nominations. — Rev. Frederick H. Page, of Lawrence; Rev. John L. Sewall, of North Brookfield; Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton; Rev. Raymond Calkins, of Pittsfield.

Rev. A. J. Dyer, of Sharon, was elected assistant-registrar, *pro tem.* It was

Voted, That the printed program presented by the provisional committee be adopted except as otherwise ordered by the Association.

An address of welcome was given by Rev. George Harris, President of Amherst College.

Response was made in an address by the moderator, Rev. P. S. Moxom, of Springfield.

The Association joined in singing, "I love thy kingdom, Lord."

The report of the secretary, Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale,[1] was then presented, and was followed by the report of the treasurer,[2] Henry P. Emerson, of Lynn, presented by Charles E. Swett, of Winchester.

The report of the auditing committee was then given by its chairman, Charles E. Swett, of Winchester.

It was

Voted, That the reports of the secretary, treasurer, and auditing committee be referred to the business committee for report at some later session of the meeting.

Rev. S. G. Barnes, of Longmeadow, presented the report of the committee on the Work of the Churches,[3] and was followed by Rev. F. L. Bristol, of Uxbridge, with a report, from the same committee, on "Sunday schools."

These reports were followed by two papers; by Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock, of Newburyport, on "The Relation of Pastor and Children," and by Rev. F. S. Hatch, of Monson, on "Every Pastor an Evangelist."[4]

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury. As two

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of the appointees on the nominating committee had not appeared, S. E. Bridgman, of Northampton, and Smith Harding, of Westfield, were appointed in place of Revs. F. H. Page, of Lawrence, and T. C. Welles, of Taunton.

Then followed a discussion of the reports of the committee on the Work of the Churches, participated in by C. S. Remington, of Fall River, Rev. Elijah Horr, of Malden, and Rev. G. P. Eastman, of Millbury.

Rev. F. L. Bristol, of Uxbridge, at the request of the Association, gave a supplementary report on the apparent losses of the Sunday schools.

The reports of the committee on the Work of the Churches were adopted.

The nominating committee, through Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, reported the following-named deacons to serve at the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at evening service: —

C. L. Nims, of First church, Amherst; Edward Hitchcock, of College church, Amherst; D. W. Wilcox, of Medford; W. G. Harding, of Pittsfield; H. D. Noyes, of Hyde Park; J. G. Tewksbury, of Somerville.

After prayer by Rev. H. P. Smith, of Amherst College, the Association took a recess, to meet at seven o'clock P. M.

Evening Session

At the hour appointed the Association reassembled, with the moderator in the chair.

Devotional services were led by Rev. F. S. Hatch, of Monson, and Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn.

The sermon was preached by Rev. W. H. Davis, of Newton, from 1 Sam. ix. 11, "Is the seer here?"

The annual offering was made for the Board of Ministerial Aid, amounting to $59.68.

The administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper followed, Rev. A. F. Dunnels, of Fitchburg, and Rev. Peter McMillan, of Northampton, officiating.

After the singing of the hymn "In the cross of Christ I glory," the benediction was pronounced and the Association took a recess, to meet at 8.30 Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY

Morning Session

At 8.45 o'clock devotional services were led by Rev. F. S. Hunnewell, of Reading, and at 9 o'clock the Association was called to order by the moderator.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The supplementary report on Sunday schools, given Tuesday afternoon by Rev. F. L. Bristol, of Uxbridge, was referred to the business committee to report at a later session and provide sufficient time for discussion of it.

The nominating committee then reported: —

For moderator, pro tem. — Rev. J. F. Gaylord, of Barre.

For committee of arrangements. — Rev. Henry R. McCartney, of Amherst; Rev. Henry T. Rose, of Northampton; H. S. Conant, of Boston; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Center; W. G. Harding, of Pittsfield.

Nominees for membership of executive committee of Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. — W. C. Strong, of Newton Highlands; Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn.

Committee on Work of the Churches. — For two years to fill the unexpired term of E. F. Morris, of Monson, resigned, S. E. Bridgman, of Northampton; for three years, Augustus R. Smith, of Lee; Rev. Joshua Coit, of Winchester; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville.

Auditing committee. — Eleazer Boynton, of Medford; Rev. George H. Flint, of Boston; James Hale Dodge, of Jamaica Plain.

Directors of Board of Pastoral Supply. — Herbert N. Ackerman, of West Medford; George E. Keith, of Campello; Arthur E. Gray, of Worcester; E. W. Chapin, of Holyoke.

This report was adopted.

Voted, To instruct the committee on nominations to name a committee on ministerial standing for the ensuing year.

Voted, That the nominating committee name a committee of five to report upon the revision of the Rules of the Association at the next annual session.

Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, secretary of the Board of Pastoral Supply, then presented the annual report of the Directors of that Board.[1]

The time having arrived for the discussion of the report of the temperance committee, it was

Voted, That the discussion of that report be postponed until the afternoon session and that it then be given precedence in the order of the hour.

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Discussion followed upon secretary Rice's report, participated in by Henry H. Proctor, of Boston; J. C. Greenough, of Westfield; Rev. A. E. Dunning, of Boston; William Shaw, of Ballardvale; and it was

Voted, That the report be referred to a special committee of five, to report at a later session of the meeting.

The following resolution, presented by Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem, was also referred to this special committee of five: —

"*Resolved*, That all the conferences of the State be kindly and urgently requested not to withhold the sum requested by the General Association for the support of the Board of Pastoral Supply."

Pres. G. F. Moore, of Andover Theological Seminary, then presented an invitation from the Seminary church of that place, to the General Association, to hold its next annual meeting with them; this was referred to the nominating committee.

On account of the illness of Prof. C. E. Garman, of Amherst College, the committee of arrangements recommended that one half of the time assigned to Prof. Garman be given to Pres. G. F. Moore, of Andover Seminary, and the other half to Rev. E. B. Sanford, of New York, of the national committee for the Federation of the Churches.

President Moore then delivered an address on "The Kind of Instruction required by the Congregational Ministry."

Rev. E. B. Sanford then addressed the Association.

In response to his invitation, the nominating committee was instructed to name a committee on the federation of the churches, said committee to report at the next annual meeting of the Association.

At this point the nominating committee reported the following committees: —

On revision of the rules of the Association. — Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; W. T. Forbes, of Worcester; A. G. Cumnock, of Lowell; Rev. W. L. Tenney, of North Adams.

On ministerial standing. — Rev. A. E. Dunning, of Boston; Rev. M. A. Breed, of Westboro; Rev. J. A. MacColl, of New Bedford; Rev. W. A. Bartlett, of Lowell; Rev. William C. Gordon, of Westfield.

This report was adopted.

It was

Voted, That a committee of three on ministerial education be named by

the nominating committee, said committee to report at the next annual meeting of the Association.

Rev. Loyol L. Wirt, of Alaska, missionary of the Congregational Home Missionary Society and Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society, was then introduced and made a brief response.

Rev. W. W. Adams, of Fall River, delivered an address on "How should the idea of God be stated according to present light?" [1]

The following telegram was then read: —

TO THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS: —

The Vermont State Christian Conference sitting at Shrewsbury sendeth greeting. Matt. xxiii. 8.

It was

Voted, That the officers of the Association respond suitably to this telegram.

The following response was sent: —

The General Association of Massachusetts responds cordially to greeting.

It was

Voted, That the nominating committee report candidates for offices of the Association to be elected at the present meeting.

The nominating committee then made the following report: —

That the Association accept the invitation of the Chapel church, at Andover, to meet with them next year.

Committee on the federation of the churches. — Rev. W. W. Adams, of Fall River; Rev. J. H. Denison, of Williamstown; Frederick Fosdick, of Fitchburg.

Committee on ministerial education. — Rev. George A. Gordon, of Boston; Rev. A. B. Bassett, of Ware; Rev. C. H. Beale, of Roxbury.

After remarks by Rev. F. S. Hatch, of Monson, the part of the report recommending Andover as the place of the next meeting was adopted with "uncommon heartiness." The proposed committee on the federation of the churches was approved.

After rescinding the vote whereby the committee on ministerial education was to be composed of three members and voting that the committee be composed of five members, that part of the report was referred back to the nominating committee with instructions to add the names of two laymen.

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On motion of William Shaw, of Ballardvale, it was

Voted, That hereafter the provisional committee provide time for the transaction of the business of the Association and indicate the same on the printed program.

It was then

Voted, To take a recess until four o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Promptly at four o'clock the Association was called to order by the moderator, *pro tem.*, Rev. J. F. Gaylord, of Barre, and the session was opened by singing "I love thy kingdom, Lord."

The business committee reported as follows: —

On the reports of the secretary, treasurer, and auditing committee. — That they be adopted, and recommending, further, that the matter of certain conferences protesting against the present method of the support of the Board of Pastoral Supply be considered by the special committee to which that report was referred.

On the printed reports of special committees. — That they be considered in the order appointed in the printed program; that time not exceeding fifteen minutes be given to the discussion of each report, and that J. G. Buttrick, of Lowell, Rev. C. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton, and Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury, be recognized for presenting further statements concerning the work of their respective committees.

On the election of the officers of the Association. — That the nominating committee prepare the ballot in the Australian form, with two names at least for each office, leaving blanks for other names.

Provisional committee of 1901. — President, George F. Moore, of Andover; J. L. Brewster, of Andover; Rev. W. E. Wolcott, of Lawrence; William Shaw, of Ballardvale, and the registrar of 1901.

Publishing committee. — The secretary, registrar, treasurer, Leonard A. Treat, of Chelsea; Rev. W. P. Landers, of Somerville.

Committee on the report of the Board of Pastoral Supply. — Rev. Willard Scott, of Worcester; Rev. H. C. Adams, of Danvers; Rev. C. H. Oliphant, of Methuen; Rev. L. F. Reed, of Cummington.

Additional members for committee on ministerial education. — Charles A. Denny, of Leicester; Frank A. Foxcroft, of Cambridge.

The report was adopted.

The nominating committee reported the ballot for the election of officers, and the election was ordered.

The following persons were named by the moderator to act as tellers: —

Rev. Erastus Blakeslee, of Brookline; Rev. George W. Andrews, of Dalton; C. N. Prouty, of Spencer; Amos Armsby, of Millbury.

Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury, then spoke on the report of the

committee on Sabbath Observance. Remarks were made by Rev. J. R. Thurston, of Whitinsville, and the report was adopted.

Rev. A. H. Plumb then offered the following resolution, which was adopted: —

The Massachusetts General Association of Congregational Churches, in annual meeting at Amherst, May 16, hereby respectfully petition the honorable Senate and House of Representatives not to pass House Bill No. 1209, pending, for the sale of tobacco on the Lord's Day by pharmacists, innholders, and common victuallers.

Rev. W. P. Landers, of Somerville, spoke on the report of the committee on the Wider Circulation of Religious Literature. After further discussion by H. S. Conant, of Boston, Rev. F. S. Hunnewell, of Reading, and Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, the report was adopted.

There being no report from the committee on ministerial standing that item on the program was passed.

After a supplementary statement to the report of the committee on Labor Organizations by James G. Buttrick, of Lowell, the report was accepted and its recommendations adopted.

A statement additional to the report of the committee on Gambling was made by Rev. C. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton, after which the report was adopted.

It was then,

Voted, That the report of the committee on temperance be accepted with the thanks of the Association for the valuable work done.

The following amendment to the report was then adopted: —

That the portion of paragraph seven which begins with the words "the trend" and closes with the words "in the schools; for" be stricken out.

It was,

Voted, To continue the following committees: the committee on Sunday observance, the committee on gambling, the committee on temperance, and the committee on the nomination of candidates for corporate membership of the American Board.

The result of the ballot for officers for the ensuing year was announced as follows: —

Moderator, Henry M. Moore, of Somerville; alternate, James H. Eaton, of Lawrence; secretary, Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale; assistant secretary, Rev. O. D. Sewall, of Brookline; registrar, Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; assistant registrar, Rev. A. J. Dyer, of Sharon.

[Rev. Mr. Sewall declined his appointment, and, under the Rules, Rev. E. C. Webster has been duly named for the place.]

The Association then took a recess to meet at 7.15 o'clock P. M.

Evening Session

The Association reassembled at the appointed time with the moderator in the chair. After an anthem prayer was offered by Rev. C. H. Beale, of Roxbury.

Dr. Luther Gulick, of Springfield, then read a paper on "Some differences in the religious life of men and women, with their appropriate recognition in church work." [1]

This was followed by two addresses, on the theme: "Is the scheme of the International Sunday School Lessons satisfactory from the pedagogical point of view?" by Pres. G. Stanley Hall, of Worcester, and Rev. A. E. Dunning, of Boston.

General discussion followed participated in by Rev. Erastus Blakeslee, of Brookline; M. C. Hazard, of Dorchester; J. B. Greenough, of Westfield; Rev. C. H. Beale, of Roxbury; John W. Conklin, of Springfield; William Shaw, of Ballardvale; Milton A. Dixon, of Springfield; Rev. J. L. Sewall, of North Brookfield; Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton; Rev. Charles F. Carter, of Lexington; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. Thomas S. Robie, of Hawley; and was closed by President Hall.

After singing and the benediction, at 10.25 o'clock, the Association took a recess, until 8.30 A. M., Thursday.

THURSDAY

Morning Session

Devotional services opened at 8.30 A. M., led by Rev. Arthur B. Patten, of South Hadley.

The Association was called to order by the moderator at 8.40 o'clock.

The business committee stated that owing to the absence of a majority of their committee they would ask that the vacancies be filled.

The nominating committee immediately reported the following: —

To serve on the business committee: Rev. D. S. Clark, of Salem; J. E. Kimball, of Oxford.

This report was adopted.

The minutes of Wednesday's sessions were read and approved.

[1] page 142.

The nominating committee asked for an enabling vote to allow the following gentlemen to serve for the ensuing year: —

On the committee on gambling. — Rev. C. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. C. M. Southgate, of Auburndale; S. Homer Woodbridge, of Boston; Rev. E. M. Noyes, of Newton Center.

On the committee on Sunday observance. — Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury.

On the committee on labor organizations. — Rev. W. H. Allbright, of Dorchester; James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cambridge; Rev. P. T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; Rev. Frank W. Merrick, of West Roxbury.

The following committees were then elected: —

On gambling. — Rev. C. H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. C. M. Southgate, of Auburndale; S. Homer Woodbridge, of Boston; Rev. E. M. Noyes, of Newton Center; Rev. Isaac Pierson, of West Medford; Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; Rev. P. W. Lyman, of Fall River.

On Sunday observance. — Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury; Rev. Geo. W. Winch, of Holyoke; Prof. Henry M. Tyler, of Northampton; Rev. I. W. Sneath, of Franklin; Joseph Willett, of Needham.

On labor organizations. — Rev. W. H. Allbright, of Dorchester; James G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cambridge; Rev. P. T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; Rev. Frank W. Merrick, of West Roxbury; Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn; James Logan, of Worcester.

On nomination of candidates for corporate membership of the American Board. — Rev. Willard Scott, of Worcester; Rev. F. S. Hatch, of Monson; Rev. B. H. Weston, of Centreville; Geo. N. Webber, of Northampton; D. W. Willcox, of Medford.

The committee on the report of the Directors of the Board of Pastoral Supply presented, through its chairman, Rev. Willard Scott, of Worcester, the following report: —

We recommend that, in the apportionment asked of the churches for the support of the Association, the coming year, the sum of two cents per member be included to meet the expenses of the Board of Pastoral Supply.

We recommend that the Board of Pastoral Supply be authorized to collect ten per cent of their fees from those to whom opportunities for pulpit supply in Massachusetts are furnished, except in the case of candidates for settlement.

As nearly all the conferences of this Association have contributed to the support of the Board of Pastoral Supply, we earnestly request coöperation in the plans adopted by the Association from those conferences which have so far failed in part in this direction, in consequence of which a deficit exists in the funds of the Board.

This report was accepted and its recommendations adopted.

The committee on nomination of candidates for corporate membership of the American Board reported through its chairman,

Rev. L. S. Rowland, of Lee, and the following persons were nominated by ballot: —

Rev. A. B. Bassett, of Ware; Eleazer Boynton, of Medford; Rev. William R. Campbell, of Boston; Rev. Albert W. Hitchcock, of Newburyport; Rev. Frank A. Warfield, of Lowell; Rev. Robert M. Woods, of Hatfield.

The nominating committee reported: —

Committee on temperance.—Rev. Alexander Lewis, of Worcester; Francis M. Bundy, M. D., of Boston; Mrs. Jessie A. Brown, of Woburn; Albert L. Harwood, of Newton Center; Rev. E. H. Chandler, of Wellesley.

This report was adopted.

A communication from the Rev. S. H. Emery, of Taunton, was read to the Association by Rev. T. C. Welles, of Taunton.

It was

Voted, That a committee of three with the moderator as chairman present a reply to the communication, and the following persons were appointed to serve with the moderator: Rev. A. H. Plumb, of Roxbury, and Rev. T. C. Welles, of Taunton.

It was then

Voted, To extend the time for business fifteen minutes.

The business committee made the following report: —

1. This Association recognizes and emphasizes the call of the National Council that the annual reports of the churches be made promptly on the first day of January; that the secretaries of the local conferences be urged to complete their reports to the secretary, and forward them in January, and that Feb. 15 be the time limit, after which no church report be received for use.

Adopted.

2. We recommend that the committee on the Work of the Churches be instructed to continue their study of church work for the young by considering and reporting upon the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor as a practical working force in our churches.

Adopted.

3. The differences between the reports of the secretary of this Association and the "sub-committee on the Work of the Churches," regarding the loss and gain in Sunday school enrolment, have been investigated, so far as the figures and facts have been accessible to the committee, and we have found a satisfactory explanation, and have effected an arrangement by which Rev. H. A. Hazen, of Auburndale, and Rev. F. L. Bristol, of Uxbridge, will complete an adjustment of the apparent discrepancies in figures for publication.

Adopted.

4. We recommend that the question of the relation between the General Association and the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society be referred to the committee on the work of the churches for consideration and report on the same at the next meeting of the Association.

Adopted.

5. We recommend that the chairman of the committee on temperance be permitted to make a statement respecting the action of the Association in excluding a part of a paragraph of the report of said committee.

Adopted.

Rev. W. H. Davis, of Newton, then made the statement that he desired that if any part of the report of the committee on temperance be excluded the whole paragraph which treats of that special subject be excluded.

After some discussion it was so voted, and the report of the temperance committee was amended by striking out of paragraph seven the part beginning with the words "The trend," and closing with the words "the Commonwealth," and as so amended was adopted.

Addresses were then made by Rev. W. R. Campbell, of Roxbury, on "The Instruction of Children for Church Membership" [1]; by Rev. Wilson S. Fritch, of Attleboro, on "The Instruction of Adults for Church Membership," [2] and by Rev. George P. Gilman, of Waverley, on "Do Liturgies Instruct?" [3]

Following these addresses the theme of "Social and Civic Conditions whose Existence discredits the Instruction of the Church," was discussed by papers presented by John L. Brewster, of Andover, on "Urban Lawlessness and Corruption" [4]; by Rev. Walter H. Ashley, of Manchester, on "Rural Lawlessness and Corruption"; [5] by John Herbert, of Somerville, on "The Duty of the Church in relation to Civic and Political Matters." [6]

At the close of the addresses it was

Voted, To proceed to the order of business.

The committee on credentials presented the following report: —

Number of churches represented	189
Churches represented by pastors	138
Churches represented by others	115
Associations represented	11
Conferences represented	7
Whole number of bodies represented	271
Names appearing twice	7
Whole number of delegates	264

[1] page 150. [2] page 156. [3] page 162. [4] page 167. [5] page 171. [6] page 177.

The business committee recommended

1. That the report of the committee on the Work of the Churches be included with those mentioned in Art. XV., Sect. 1, with instructions to the next Provisional Committee to allow ample time for discussion.

Voted, To refer this to the committee on Revision of the Rules.

2. That the secretary of the Association be instructed to furnish each church not less than two copies of the provisional program, and not later than twelve days preceding the date of the annual meeting.

This was adopted.

3. That Rev. A. J. Dyer, of Sharon, be allowed to present a resolution passed by the Norfolk conference.

This was adopted and the resolution was then read, as follows: —

Resolved, That while we recognize with gratitude the steady increase of the churches of our order in this State, both in numbers and membership, we view with solicitude the fact that in certain instances other denominations have seized opportunities for the building of chapels and the establishment of churches in localities that belonged both by inheritance and practical occupation to the Congregational fellowship. While we cannot assign the reason for the partial failure of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts, not only to hold their ground but also to extend themselves in the land of their birthright as they might be expected to do, we are led to ask if the reason for this cannot be discovered and the remedy applied.

Therefore, be it resolved, That the subject of church extension as it applies to our churches individually and collectively and also to the various co-operating missionary societies be assigned to the committee on the Work of the Churches for investigation, the same to be reported upon at the next annual meeting.

This was adopted.

4. That in view of the peculiar and pressing necessities of the missionary work in Alaska, *Resolved*, That this Association cordially approves the threefold character of that work as projected by Rev. Loyol L. Wirt, in hospitals, reading-rooms, and churches, and commends it heartily to the churches of the Association.

This was adopted.

5. That we, the State Association of Congregational churches of Massachusetts, representing six hundred churches, with a membership of 112,000, in annual session assembled, do respectfully and earnestly petition the national Congress now in session, to enact a plain and specific statute forbidding the sale of alcoholic beverages in all places under federal control which are occupied by any portion of our army; that the secretary of the Association is instructed to forward this petition to Hon. E. H. Gillette, to be presented to Congress in behalf of the petitioners.

Voted, To refer this recommendation to the temperance committee to report upon at the next annual session of this Association.

The auditing committee recommended the apportionment of six cents per member for the present indebtedness of the Association and for the expenses of the ensuing year.

This recommendation was adopted.

The following resolution was then adopted: —

The General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts, at the closing session of its ninety-eighth annual meeting, would express its appreciation of the Christian courtesy and hospitality that have been extended by the First church in Amherst, in generous provision for its entertainment. Our hearty thanks are due to the pastor and members of the church, and all who have co-operated with him; to the president and officers of Amherst College, who in many ways have extended such a cordial welcome; to those from outside the Association who have taken part in the program; to those who have enriched our services by the ministry of music, especially the choir of students, and to all who have contributed to the success of the gathering. Especially would we express our sense of loss in the absence of Prof. C. E. Garman, and our hope for his increase in health and strength. As we withdraw from the delightful fellowship of this favored place we carry a renewed sense of Christian responsibility and privilege, and cherish the hope that spiritual blessing may remain with this people as lasting evidence of the favor of our God.

Voted, That the "minutes" be referred to the registrar and assistant registrar for completion.

Closing words were spoken by the pastor of the church, Rev. Henry R. McCartney, and after prayer and the benediction the Association adjourned.

REV. P. S. MOXOM, *Moderator.*

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STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

EXPLANATIONS.

The tables which follow comprise: —

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Meetings: annual, first Tuesday in May, 2 days; semi-annual, third Tuesday in September, 1 day.

6. ESSEX NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized April 30, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Amesbury: 1st; Union. Boxford, West. In Bradford: 1st; Ward Hill. In Georgetown: 1st; Memorial. Groveland. In Haverhill: West; 4th; Centre; North; Riverside; Union; St. Johns, *French*. In Ipswich: 1st; Linebrook. Merrimac. In Newbury: 1st; Byfield. In Newburyport: North; Prospect Street; Belleville; Whitefield. Rowley. In West Newbury: 1st; 2d. Total: 27 churches.

Rev. David C. Torrey, Byfield, *scribe*. Rev. John N. Lowell, Haverhill, *statistical secretary and treasurer*. Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

7. ESSEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Beverly: North; Dane Street; Washington Street. Boxford. In Danvers: 1st; Maple Street. Essex. In Gloucester: West; Trinity; Lanesville; Magnolia. Hamilton. Ipswich South. In Lynn: 1st; Central; Chestnut Street; North; *Swedish*. In Lynnfield: Centre; 2d. Manchester. Marblehead. Middleton. In Peabody: South; Rockville; West. In Rockport: 1st; Pigeon Cove; *Swedish*. In Salem: Tabernacle; South; Crombie Street. Saugus: 1st, and Cliftondale. Swampscott. Topsfield. Wenham. Total: 37 churches.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. A. J. Covell, Lynn, *statistical scribe*. Conference meets on the second Wednesdays of May and October.

8. FRANKLIN CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 10, 1843.

CHURCHES. — Ashfield. Bernardston. Buckland. In Charlemont: 1st; East. Colerain. Conway. In Deerfield: South; Orthodox. Erving. Gill. In Greenfield: 1st; 2d. In Hawley: East; West. Leverett, Moore's Corner. In Montague: 1st; Miller's Falls; Turner's Falls. Northfield. In Orange: Central; *Swedish*. In Shelburne: 1st; Falls. Shutesbury. Sunderland. Warwick. Wendell Centre. Whately. Total: 29 churches.

Rev. Edward P. Butler, Sunderland, *scribe and treasurer*. Conference meets second Wednesday and Thursday in September.

9. HAMPDEN CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 4, 1850.

CHURCHES. — In Agawam: Feeding Hills; 2d. Blandford: 1st; 2d. In Chester: 1st; 2d. In Chicopee: 1st; 2d; 3d. In Granville: East; West. Hampden. In Holyoke: 1st; 2d; *French*. Huntington, 2d. In Longmeadow: 1st; East. In Ludlow: 1st; Mills. Monson. In Palmer: 1st; 2d; Three Rivers. South Hadley Falls. Southwick. In Springfield: 1st; Olivet; South; North; Indian Orchard; Sandford st.; Hope; *French*; Eastern Avenue; Emmanuel; Park; *Swedish*; Faith. Tolland. In Westfield: 1st; 2d. In West Springfield: 1st; Mittineague; Park st. In Wilbraham: Centre; North. Total, 47 churches.

Rev. Collins G. Burnham, Chicopee, *scribe*. Frank P. Searle, Westfield, *treasurer*. Conference meets last Tuesday in October; semi-annual meeting in April.

10. HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE. — Organized February, 1865.

CHURCHES. — Chesterfield. In Cummington: East; West. In Easthampton: 1st; Payson. Goshen. Hatfield. Huntington, 1st. In Northampton: 1st;

Edwards; Florence. Plainfield. Southampton. Westhampton. In Williamsburg: 1st; Haydenville. Worthington. Total: 17 churches.

W. M. Purrington, Haydenville, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. John Pierpont, Westhampton, *statistical secretary.* Conference meets in the spring and fall at the call of the executive committee.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST CONFERENCE. — Organized Dec. 13, 1860.

CHURCHES. — In Amherst: 1st; 2d; College; North; South. Belchertown. Enfield. Granby. Greenwich. In Hadley: 1st; 2d. Leverett. In Pelham: 1st; Packardville. Prescott. South Hadley, 1st. Total: 16 churches.

Dea. M. B. Kingman, Amherst, *registrar and treasurer.* Rev. George E. Fisher, North Amherst, *statistical secretary.* Semi-annual meeting, last Tuesday in April; annual, third Tuesday in October.

12. MENDON CONFERENCE. — Organized April 12, 1858.

CHURCHES. — Foxboro. Franklin. Mansfield. Medfield. In Medway: Village; West; 3d. Milford. Millis. Norfolk. Walpole. Wrentham. Total: 12 churches.

Rev. James W. Flagg, Foxboro, *scribe and treasurer.* Conference meets third Wednesday of April and October.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Aug. 20, 1828.

CHURCHES. — Ashland. Dover. In Framingham: Plymouth; Saxonville; South. Holliston. Hopkinton. Hudson. Lincoln. In Marlboro: 1st; *French.* Maynard. In Natick: 1st; South. Northboro. Sherborn. In Southboro: Pilgrim; Southville. Sudbury. Wayland. Wellesley. Total: 21 churches.

Rev. Edward H. Chandler, Wellesley, *scribe and treasurer.* Meetings, third Tuesdays of April and October.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION CONFERENCE. — Organized May 8, 1853.

CHURCHES. — Acton: 1st; South. Ashby. Ayer. Boxboro. Concord. Dunstable. In Fitchburg: Calvinist; Rollstone; *German; Swedish.* Groton: 1st; West. Harvard. Lancaster. In Leominster: Centre; North. Littleton. Lunenburg. Pepperell. Shirley Village. Townsend. Westford. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Joel D. Miller, Leominster, *scribe and treasurer.* Annual meeting, third Wednesday in October. Spring meeting in April.

15. NORFOLK CONFERENCE. — Organized June 14, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Abington: 1st; North. In Braintree: 1st; South. In Bridgewater: Central Square; Scotland. In Brockton: 1st; Campello; Porter Evan.; *Swedish;* Waldo; Wendell av.; Lincoln. In Cohasset: Evangelical; Beechwood. East Bridgewater. In Easton: 1st; *Swedish.* In Hingham: 1st; Nantasket. Holbrook. In Milton: 1st. East. In Quincy: Evangelical; Washington st., *Swedish.* Randolph. Rockland. Sharon. Stoughton. In Weymouth: 1st; 2d, South; Landing; Union, South; North; East. Whitman. Total: 37 churches.

Rev. A. H. Fuller, Easton Center, *scribe.* Dea. Sanford W. Billings, Sharon, *treasurer.* Rev. Frank E. Butler, South Weymouth, *statistical secretary.* Meetings first Tuesday in May, and last Tuesday in September.

16. OLD COLONY CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept. 23, 1856.

CHURCHES. — Dartmouth South. Edgartown. Fairhaven. Marion. Mattapoisett. In Middleboro: 1st; Central. In New Bedford: 1st; North; Trinitarian. In Rochester: 1st; North; East. Wareham. Westport. West Tisbury. Total: 18 churches.

Rev. William Carruthers, P. O. box, 283, Holyoke, *scribe and treasurer*. Conference meets for a two-days session the third Tuesday in April and the last Tuesday in October.

17. PILGRIM CONFERENCE. — Organized April 27, 1830.

CHURCHES. — Carver North. Duxbury. Halifax. In Hanover: 1st; 2d. Hanson. Kingston. In Marshfield: 1st; 2d. In Plymouth: Manomet; Pilgrimage; Chiltonville. Plympton. Scituate. Total: 14 churches.

Rev. Albert Bryant, Scituate (Egypt p. o.), *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. F. W. Manning, Marshfield, *statistical secretary*. Conference meets 3d Tuesdays in April, July and October, for two-days session each.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — Arlington, 1st; Heights. In Boston: 1st and Winthrop, Charlestown; Maverick, East Boston; Mt. Vernon and Seamen's; E. Boston, Baker. In Cambridge: 1st; 1st Cambridgeport; North Avenue; Pilgrim, Wood Memorial, and Hope, Cambridgeport. In Chelsea: 1st; Central; 3d. In Everett: 1st; Courtland st.; Mystic Side. In Revere: 1st; Beachmont. In Somerville: 1st; Broadway; West; Prospect Hill; Winter Hill; Highlands. Winthrop. Total: 29 churches.

Frank E. Hodgkins, 428 Broadway, Somerville, *scribe and treasurer*. Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart, Chelsea, *statistical secretary*. Meetings on the second Wednesdays of April and October.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized May 23, 1861.

CHURCHES. — In Boston: Dorchester, 2d; Union; Phillips, South Boston; Dorchester Village; Eliot, Roxbury; West Roxbury; Central and Boylston, Jamaica Plain; Immanuel, Roxbury; Trinity, Neponset; Pilgrim, Dorchester; Highland and Walnut Avenue, Roxbury; Olivet; Harvard and Central, Dorchester; Roslindale; St. Marks. Canton. Dedham. In Hyde Park: 1st; Clarendon. Norwood. In Quincy: Atlantic; Wollaston Heights. Norfolk Downs. East Walpole. Westwood, Islington. Total: 28 churches.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Neponset, *scribe*. E. S. Hathaway, Hyde Park, *treasurer*. Harry G. Dixon, Neponset, *statistical secretary*. Meetings on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

20. SUFFOLK WEST CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 17, 1873.

CHURCHES. — In Belmont: Waverly; Plymouth. In Boston: Old South; Park st.; Berkeley Temple; Brighton; Central; Shawmut; Allston; *Norwegian* and *Swedish*. Brookline: Harvard; Leyden. Needham. In Newton: 1st, Newton Center; 2d, West Newton; Eliot; Auburndale; Nonantum; Central, Newtonville; Highlands. Waltham: 1st; *Swedish*. Watertown. Wellesley Hills. Weston. Total: 26 churches.

Rev. Parris T. Farwell, Wellesley Hills, *recording and statistical secretary*. Benjamin F. Dewing, 11 Milford Street, Boston, *treasurer*. Meetings, second Wednesdays of April and October.

21. TAUNTON CONFERENCE. — Organized Oct. 2, 1849.

CHURCHES. — Attleboro. Berkley. Dighton. In Fall River: 1st; Central; 3d; *French;* Broadway. Assonet in Freetown. Lakeville. Middleboro North. North Attleboro: 1st; Falls; Trinity. Norton. In Raynham: 1st; North. Rehoboth. Somerset. In Taunton: West; Trinitarian; Winslow; East; Union. Total: 24 churches.

Rev. F. L. Luce, Taunton, *scribe.* Thomas Chew, Box 460, Fall River, *treasurer.* Conference holds two sessions annually of one day each, in the spring and fall.

22. WOBURN CONFERENCE. — Organized Sept 5, 1848.

CHURCHES. — Bedford. Billerica. Burlington. Carlisle. Hancock, Lexington In Malden: 1st; Maplewood; Linden. In Medford: Mystic; West; South. In Melrose: 1st; Highlands. North Reading. Reading. Stoneham. Wakefield. Wilmington. Winchester. In Woburn: 1st; North; *Scandinavian;* Montvale. Total: 23 churches.

Rev. Isaac Pierson, Medford, *scribe and treasurer.* Meetings on the last Tuesdays of April and October.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL CONFERENCE. — Organized April 28, 1852.

CHURCHES. — Auburn. Berlin. Boylston. Clinton: 1st; *German;* Holden. Leicester. Oxford. Paxton. Princeton. Rutland. Shrewsbury. Sterling. West Boylston. In Worcester: Old South; Central; Union; Summer st.; Plymouth; Piedmont; *Swedish;* Pilgrim; Park; Covenant; Hope; Lake View; Bethany; *Armenian;* Immanuel; *Swedish, 2d,* Adams Square. Total: 31 churches.

Rev. W. Phillips, 12 Princeton st., Worcester, *scribe and treasurer.* Rev. Thomas E. Babb, Holden, *statistical secretary.* Conference meets on the Tuesday following the second Monday in May, and on the Tuesday following third Monday in October.

24. WORCESTER NORTH CONFERENCE. — Organized Nov. 24, 1827.

CHURCHES. — In Ashburnham: 1st; North. Athol. Baldwinville. Gardner. Hubbardston. New Salem. In Orange: North. Petersham. Phillipston. In Royalton: 1st; South. Templeton. Westminster. In Winchendon: 1st; North. Total: 16 churches.

Rev. G. W. Jones, Winchendon, *scribe.* Meetings in October and May.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH CONFERENCE. — Organized June 17, 1828.

CHURCHES. — In Blackstone: 1st; Millville. In Douglas: 1st; East. In Grafton: 1st; Saundersville. In Millbury: 1st; 2d. In Northbridge: 1st; Whitinsville; Rockdale. Sutton. Upton. Uxbridge. Webster. Westboro. Total: 16 churches.

Rev. John R. Thurston, Whitinsville, *scribe.* Dea. Amos Armsby, Millbury, *treasurer.* Meetings on fourth Thursdays of April and October.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	Dc.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Abington,	1712		De Mont Goodyear,	'00	'00	44	108	152	36	2	2	4	6	9	0	15	1	0
" North,	1839	Dea. Cyrus Orcutt,	George Benedict, *p.*	'86	'97	26	59	85	17	5	4	9	2	0	0	2	1	2
Acton,	1832	Horace F. Tuttle,	Bernard Copping, *p. c.*	'79	'94	25	60	85	22	3	1	4	4	0	0	4	2	0
" South,	1893	Edgar I. Banks,	Wilson R. Buxton, *p. c.*	'94	'94	23	47	70	6	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	2
Adams,	1840	Dea. E. W. Streeter,	Alford B. Penniman, *p.c.*	'83	'94	141	271	412	20	9	6	15	3	2	0	5	4	5
Agawam, Feeding Hills,	1762	Mrs. Julia A. Bailey,	Frank L. Garfield, *p. c.*	'93	'92	16	37	53	11	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
"	1819	Mrs. C. L. Hayward,	Walter Rice, *p. c.*	'65	'92	85	96	181	54	0	1	1	4	0	0	4	0	0
Amesbury, Main st.,	1831	Joseph L. Batchelder,	[James D. Dingwell.]		'00	136	244	380	58	0	1	1	6	4	0	10	0	5
" Union,	1835	Miss Lois L. Fifield,	George W. Christie, *p. c.*	'73	'91	19	80	99	22	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Amherst, 1st,	1739	Jonathan A. Rawson,	Henry R. McCartney, *p. c.*	'87	'98	124	307	431	67	3	6	9	14	7	0	21	0	4
" 2d,	1782	Herbert Sabin,	Chester W. Hawley, *p.*	'61	'98	45	111	156	30	1	2	3	1	4	2	7	1	0
" College,	1826	William I. Fletcher,	Henry P. Smith, *p.*	'75	'98	213	59	272	187	4	8	12	3	12	0	15	2	0
" North,	1826	Miss M. E. Harrington,	Eber W. Gaylord, *p. c.*	'73	'90	72	152	224	32	0	2	2	5	3	0	8	0	1
" South,	1858	Miss Minnie L. Dana,	John F. Gleason, *p.*	'73	'95	64	94	158	20	3	0	3	3	0	0	3	2	2
Andover, South,	1711	Myron E. Gutterson,	Frank B. Shipman, *p. c.*	'93	'93	102	353	355	56	7	7	14	4	3	0	7	3	11
" West,	1826	Arthur T. Boutwell,	George A. Andrews, *p. c.*	'99	'99	83	153	236	40	1	2	3	6	4	0	10	0	5
" Free,	1846	Charles Baldwin,	Frederick A. Wilson, *p. c.*	'82	'89	98	256	354	90	8	4	12	9	4	6	19	2	8
" Ballardvale,	1854	William Shaw,	Edwin Smith, *p.*	'65	'99	34	73	107	28	2	7	9	3	3	0	6	0	1
" Seminary,	1865	Prof. Egbert C. Smyth,	The Professors,			86	105	191	51	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	1
Arlington,	1842	Elbert L. Churchill,	Samuel C. Bushnell, *p. c.*	'79	'90	78	181	259	37	9	13	22	8	6	0	14	4	4
" Heights,	1899	Edward W. Nicoll,	John G. Taylor,	'73	'00	20	36	56	0	5	51	56	0	0	0	0	1	2
Ashburnham, 1st,	1760	Fred. D. Lane,	Nathan T. Dyer, *p.*	'78	'97	34	76	110	32	3	0	3	3	0	0	3	0	0
" North,	1843																	
Ashby,	1776	Horace S. Brooks,	Herbert W. Boyd, *p. c.*	'86	'97	67	114	181	45	3	2	5	1	0	4	5	3	3
Ashfield,	1763	John M. Sears,	Horace F. Hallett, *p.*	'91	'99	58	110	168	20	0	0	0	7	3	4	14	0	0
Ashland,	1835	Dea. Edward Perry,				21	58	79	18	0	2	2	0	3	6	9	0	0
Athol,	1839	C. K. Wood,	Rolla G. Bugbee, *p.*	'76	'97	79	227	306	37	1	8	9	7	11	0	18	1	4
Attleboro',	1748	Dea. A. Vinton Cobb,	Wilson S. Fritch, *p. c.*	'93	'99	128	349	477	68	3	11	14	9	7	0	16	3	1
Auburn,	1776	William F. Stone,	Charles M. Pierce, *p.*	'63	'90	43	75	118	38	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
Ayer,	1861	Lester C. Bruce,	John C. Handy, *p.*	'99	'99	22	60	82	24	1	0	1	2	3	0	5	1	0
Barnstable, West,	1616	Rev. Edgar B. French,	Edgar B. French, *p.*	'97	'97	18	46	64	18	0	4	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Centerville,	1840	Miss Nellie B. Kelley,	Bartlett H. Weston, *p.*	'90	'98	10	41	51	13	0	4	4	0	2	0	2	0	0
" Hyannis,	1854	Dea. W. A. Perry,	Edgar C. Wheeler, *p.*	'96	'99	10	30	40	1	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	0
Barre,	1827	C. S. Root, Barre Plains,	Joseph F. Gaylord, *p. c.*	'67	'79	46	110	156	34	1	4	5	4	1	2	7	0	1
Becket, Center,	1758	Mrs. L. O. Ellsworth,				9	18	27	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	3	0
" North,	1849	Dea. Jarvis Norcutt,				33	64	97	29	3	0	3	1	1	0	2	3	0
Bedford,	1730	William E. Wilkins,	Frank B. McAllister, *p.*	'99	'99	52	94	146	55	0	0	0	1	0	43	44	0	0
Belchertown,	1737	Mrs. T. W. Chapman,				61	135	196	44	0	0	0	6	5	9	20	0	0

Acushnet, *see* New Bedford. Assonet, *see* Freetown. Atlantic, *see* Quincy. Attleboro Falls, *see* N. Attleboro. Auburndale, *see* Newton.
Baldwinville, *see* Templeton. Ballardvale, *see* Andover. Beechwood, *see* Cohasset.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Abington,	Wm. S. O'Brien,	237	102	150	33	$78	$6	$8	$34	$5	$32	$ 0	$26	$189	$ 0	$1,921
" North,	Wm. C. Brett,	115	66	100	64	11	2	0	0	0	15	0	10	38	0	1,150
Acton,	Charles E. Smith,	90	60	100	45	41	4	5	31	8	17	3	28	137	0	1,050
" South,	William F. Hale,	100	65	85	49	25	0	0	15	0	5	0	70	115	0	1,177
Adams,	Wm. B. Plunkett,	566	388	360	76	216	17	10	97	44	0	32	21	437	0	7,300
Agawam,	Rev. Frank L. Garfield,	60	31	56	19	57	11	17	16	13	12	0	3	129	0	450
"	Dea. Wm H. Porter	103	44	98	83	98	55	0	32	12	20	0	45	262	0	1,526
Amesbury,	Thomas Clark	200	150	300	57	230	25	5	142	18	0	5	221	646	0	3,927
"	Rev. G. W. Christie,	128	80	119	48	48	4	12	50	18	31	0	78	241	0	1,420
Amherst, 1st,	Joseph W Fairbanks,	190	145	250	118	598	13	29	452	142	42	25	10	1,311	0	3,955
" 2d,	Rev. Chester W. Hawley,	140	64	100	66	27	25	0	21	17	6	0	7	103	0	1,309
" College,				23		882	13	20	253	43	0	0	63	1,274	0	132
" North,	Howard A. Parsons,	165	106	113	92	148	23	14	122	63	15	11	53	449	0	1,600
" South,	George O. Hannum,	158	98	95	65	100	8	22	120	38	7	8	100	403	0	1,215
Andover, South,	Charles H. Gilbert,	m383	246	275	108	683	442	60	833	496	78	0	663	3,255	200	3,785
" West,	Frederick S. Boutwell,	85	45	90	42	111	0	0	90	55	0	0	150	406	0	1,450
" Free,	J. Newton Cole,	273	172	200	114	123	109	43	164	103	0	0	158	700	0	2,816
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw,	130	90	65	104	119	89	35	73	57	26	0	164	563	0	1,058
" Seminary,	Matthew S. McCurdy,	45	35		0	685	4,093	41	453	229	0	24	680	6,205	0	629
Arlington,	R. Walter Hilliard,	312	194	200	100	240	55	55	153	209	69	27	46	854	0	7,098
" Heights,	Minot A. Bridgham,	130	98	50	94	25	0	0	25	0	0	0	70	120	0	1,000
Ashburnh'm, 1st,	Fred D. Lane,	114	71	100	58	0	0	0	13	7	0	0	25	45	0	3,700
" North,																
Ashby,	Walter J. Smith,	152	70	89	71	43	23	11	61	23	18	0	134	313	0	1,228
Ashfield,	Frederick H. Smith,	125	66	125	28	75	0	28	58	0	0	0	15	176	0	1,100
Ashland,	Rev G. W Lawrence,	95	52	75	31	7	0	5	9	9	10	0	20	60	0	1,300
Athol,	Daniel P Kimball	275	159	200	112	181	0	0	178	70	25	0	100	554	0	2,100
Attleboro',	William P Kelley	423	270		61	565	47	58	670	62	53	2	200	1,657	0	4,754
Auburn,	Mrs. Julia F Bancroft,	130	75	87	40	79	0	33	58	49	33	0	9	261	0	1,167
Ayer,	Wm. McLean	110	50	88	53	26	0	11	5	0	2	0	5	49	0	1,687
Barnstable, W.,	W F Jenkins,	80	37	100	51	21	0	10	77	10	5	0	8	131	0	535
" Centreville,	Mrs. C E. Whitford,	90	58	60	30	10	0	0	137	55	13	0	0	215	0	728
" Hyannis,	Mrs. George T Taylor,	88	63	41	46	18	10	6	15	12	10	0	0	71	0	1,000
Barre,	Charles G. Allen,	167	61	110	52	286	17	0	210	114	19	0	37	683	0	1,600
Becket, Center,	Francis Alderman,	35	31	25	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	0	375
" North,	George L. Johnson,	83	51	43	0	27	0	0	15	17	10	0	0	69	0	850
Bedford,	Wallace G. Webber,	170	94	150	50	69	0	4	45	10	0	0	72	200	0	1,550
Belchertown,	George B. Jackson,	177	88	76	50	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	55	0	1,000

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Belmont, Waverley,	1865	Walter R. Lamkin,	George P. Gilman, *p.*	'72	'83	26	47	73	0	1	1	2	1	3	0	4	1	5
" Plymouth,	1899	Miss Bertha Macurdy,	Elbridge Whiting, *p. c.*	'91	'99	13	18	31	0	14	17	31	0	0	0	0	4	0
Berkley,	1737	Dea. Rollin H. Babbitt,				24	50	74	15	0	2	2	3	1	3	7	0	0
Berlin,	1779	J. Edmund Coulson,	[Arthur P. Pratt, *Lic.*]		'98	30	59	89	24	11	0	11	1	0	0	1	9	0
Bernardston,	1824	Dea. Henry Slate,			'88	24	40	64	11	2	0	2	1	4	0	5	2	0
Beverly, North,	1715	Charles S. Brown,	[Ernest C. Waring, *Meth.*]		'98	21	41	62	8	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0
" Dane st.,	1802	Louis H. Baker,	Edwin H. Byington,	'87	'00	132	313	445	33	4	2	6	5	6	0	11	4	4
" Washington st.,	1837	W. A. Lefavour,	Edward F. Sanderson, *p.c.*	'99	'99	64	168	232	42	0	0	0	4	4	0	8	0	0
Billerica,	1829	Rev. Daniel W. Hardy,	Daniel W. Hardy, *p.*	'74	'93	30	58	88	10	2	4	6	2	2	0	4	0	1
Blackstone,	1841	C. H. Lee,	Walter H. Rollins, *p.*	'98	'98	13	29	42	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Millville.	1891	Arthur Westberg,	[Alexander J. Monson, *Lic.*]		'98	6	4	10	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	4	0	6
Blandford, 1st,	1735	C. B. Hayden,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p. c.*	'96	'96	23	58	81	18	0	3	3	5	3	0	8	0	0
" North,	1893	Mrs. Emeline C. Pease,	Allan C. Ferrin, *p.*	'96	'96	8	32	40	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Boston, Charlestown,	1632	Gardner Bates,	Charles H. Pope, *p.*	'65	'96	38	113	151	70	2	2	4	1	2	0	3	0	2
" Old South,	1669	J. Converse Gray,	George A. Gordon, *p. c.a*	'77	'84	225	472	697	0	14	21	35	13	14	0	27	4	9
" 2d, Dorchester,	1808	William D. Brigham,	Arthur Little, *p. c.*	'63	'89	236	456	692	85	13	21	34	13	20	2	35	3	11
" Park st.,	1809	William J. Usher,	[John L. Withrow, *Pres.*]	'63	'98	327	524	851										
" Union,	1822	Edward S. Chapin,	Samuel L. Loomis, *p. c.*	'80	'96	160	373	533	75	23	28	51	7	25	7	39	8	6
" Phillips, South,	1823	Dea. W. B. Bancroft,	Charles A. Dinsmore, *p.c.b*	'85	'96	202	525	727	200	29	0	29	13	10	0	23	9	10
" Berkeley Temple,	1827	Miss I. Burnham,	Charles A. Dickinson, *p.c.c*	'79	'88	339	570	909	114	28	14	42	5	43	293	341	16	24
" Brighton,	1827	George E. Brock,	Adolph A. Berle, *p. c.*	'87	'91	69	151	220	0	5	2	7	4	11	0	15	3	6
" Village, Dorchester,	'29	Dea. Fred M. Swan,	Geo. Wolcott Brooks, *p.*	'77	'90	71	148	219	43	11	3	14	7	1	0	8	8	2
" Winth'p, Charlest'n,	'33	L. E. Sweetland,	William B. Forbush, *p.c.*	'92	'98	89	285	374	0	11	15	26	4	13	0	17	1	13
" Eliot, Roxbury,	1834	James S. Barrows,	August'sC.Thompson *p.c.* Winfred C. Rhoades, *p. c.*	'42 '99	'42 99	111	248	359	120	3	6	9	11	7	0	18	0	2
" Central,	1835	Thomas H. Russell,	Edward L. Clark, *p. c.*	'61	'93	71	177	248		14	21	35	13	14		27	4	9
" W. Roxbury,	1835	Edward W. Schuerch,	Frank W. Merrick, *p. c.*	'91	'93	55	134	189	33	2	9	11	4	4	0	8	1	10
" Maverick, East,	1836	J. Willard Brown,	Oren D. Fisher, *p.*	'75	'99	126	321	447	210	37	17	54	5	12	0	17	8	12
" Mt. Vernon,	1842	Sanford Keith,	Samuel E. Herrick, *p. c.*	'63	'71	134	235	369	42	14	12	26	8	3	0	11	5	4
" Shawmut,	1845	Charles P. Loring,	Edwin B. Webb, *p.c., em.* William T. McElveen, *p.c.*	'50 '90	'60 '99	149	310	459	0	27	19	46	4	21	0	25	3	2
" Jamaica Plain,	1853	George F. Partridge,	Charles L. Morgan, *p. c.*	'76	'94	193	432	625	125	9	25	34	3	22	2	27	6	18
" Immanuel, Roxb'y,	1857	T. Franklin Currier,	Charles H. Beale, *p. c.*	'80	'94	113	289	402	81	8	17	25	8	13	0	21	2	6
" Neponset,	1859		Edwin L. Noble, *p.*	'96	'99	42	73	115	32	6	7	13	2	3	0	5	0	2
" Pilgrim, Dorche'r,	1867	Charles H. Crockett,	Wm. H. Allbright, *p. c.d*	'79	'90		325	466	24	18	31	49	5	15	19	39	3	12
" Highland, Roxb'y,	1869	Carle J. Youngren,	William R. Campbell, *p. c.*	'81	'81	149	333	482	187	21	13	34	3	11	2	16	6	22
" Walnut av., Roxb'y,	'70	Chas. H. W. Wood,	Albert H. Plumb, *p. c. e*	'58	'72	35	282	417	32	3	16	19	3	13	1	17	0	3
" Olivet,	1876	Miss Susan C. Smith,	Robert F. Gordon, *p.*	'75	'99	23	58	81	25	15	2	17	0	4	0	4	2	6
" Boylston, Ja. Plain,	1879	R. T. Jackson, Jr.,	Ellis Mendell, *p. c.*	'79	'88	72	188	260	76	4	5	9	3	14	0	17	1	6
" *Swed.*,	1881					62	153	215										
" *Norwegian*,	1885	G. A. Rude,	Morten Olsen, *p.*	'95	'94	23	33	56	6	7	0	7	5	4	0	9	0	10

a Harry O. Hannum, asst p., '96, '00. *b* Percy H. Epler, asst. p., '98, '98. *c* William S. Kelsey, asst. p., '85, '91. Edward Anderson, asso. p., '88, '00.
d William H. Alexander, asst. p., '91, '00. *e* [Andrew J. Purdy, asst. p.] '99.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Belmont,	H. E. Carpenter,	125	72	75	60	19	4	4	17	5	1	0	30	80	0	1,800
" Plymouth,	William H. Gould,	90	65	45	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	2	10	0	360
Berkley,	Mrs. Nellie Strange,	55	34	61	9	27	0	5	7	0	6	0	49	94	0	1,015
Berlin,	Charles M. Sawyer,	89	43	45	38	8	0	0	6	3	0	0	12	29	0	1,778
Bernardston,	Alonzo Alvord,	84	36	50	20	28	13	16	23	10	8	3	23	124	4,710	785
Beverly, North,	Charles S. Brown,	169	95	90	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	26	0	0
" Dane st.,	James H. Moulton,	680	411	400	75	812	151	24	509	242	45	45	435	2,263	0	5,500
" Wash'ton st.,	Samuel Cole,	278	125	260	46	120	7	12	20	10	7	0	180	356	0	3,500
Billerica,	John E. Bull,	135	80	56	41	60	5	0	42	32	13	5	15	172	5,000	1,075
Blackstone,	Fred Fallows,	80	51	75	67	58	14	10	22	16	22	0	27	169	0	775
" Millville,	Frank L. Carlson,		10	42		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	135
Blandford, 1st,	Miss L. B. Tiffany,	100	40	45	21	94	0	10	35	15	8	6	8	176	0	1,666
" North,	H. L. Pease,	65	47	50	24	5	0	2	2	3	0	0	0	12	0	400
Boston, Ch'st'n,	Henry Brower,	102	61	75	25	122	0	0	87	67	15	0	90	381	0	2,000
" Old South,	Rev. H. O. Hannum,	m516	320			8,302	717	285	10,362	543	463	0	13,694	34,366	0	0
" 2d, Dorch'r,	William Q. Wales,	971	404	585	184	2,612	1,714	358	3,284	589	224	0	860	9,541	0	8,889
" Park st.,		276	179													
" Union,	Lucius P. Lane,	420	303	500	142	1,347	14	35	787	1,633	103	0	164	4,083	0	8,534
" Phillips, South	Rev. Percy H. Epler,	m1122	520	600	489	374	0	0	996	75	30	0	296	1,771	0	9,173
" Berkeley Tem.	Rev. Wm. S. Kelsey,	615	308	600	200	35	0	0	18	42	15	0	1,487	1,597	0	8,867
" Brighton,	E. W. Ward,	m300	232	300	103	447	0	0	116	903	0	0	963	2,431	0	5,033
" Village, Dorc.	George E. Wales,	221	159	142	127	255	9	7	232	16	0	9	162	690	0	3,034
" Winth'p, C'n,	Mrs. L. E. Hapenny,	391	257	412	110	428	56	41	472	56	0	0	921	1,974	100	5,739
" Eliot, Roxb.,	Clarence T. Mooar,	339	223	210	130	1,226	0	0	1,130	0	0	0	123	2,479	0	4,059
" Central,	John A. Bennett,	50	35			2,163	43	303	2,814	294	195	0	1,702	7,514	0	14,000
" W. Roxbury,	Arthur J. Crockett,	229	140	221	31	704	0	3	419	95	4	0	135	1,360	0	4,882
" Mave'k, East,	Dea. Elmer H. Allen,	431	241	300	88	571	41	0	704	51	8	0	223	1,598	0	5,164
" Mt. Vernon,	D. R. Craig,	196	113	350	50	2,927	0	0	1,804	700	0	18	777	6,226	100	10,000
" Shawmut,	Dr F. E. Bundy,	381	230		110	1,057	162	70	893	203	40	0	0	2,425	0	9,816
" Jamaica Pl.,	J. Wesley Farmer,	526	326	475	134	569	213	135	1,313	287	176	35	403	3,131	0	6,544
" Imman'l, Rox.	Dea. Asa H. Porter,	468	313	250	103	908	1,044	0	1,340	371	113	0	690	4,466	0	7,800
" Neponset,	Harry G. Dixon,	213	107	100	105	110	10	16	65	14	15	0	32	262	0	1,309
" Pilg'm, Dorch.	Ernest L. Miller,	m697	439	458	238	386	41	49	623	35	19	0	890	2,043	0	9,965
" Highl'd, Rox.,	Charles L. Ziegler,	655	342	400	45	331	0	20	591	15	38	0	5	1,000	0	5,017
" Walnut av., R.	Frank O. Whitney,	509	325	200	100	1,217	3	8	2,091	214	56	0	0	3,589	0	9,004
" Olivet,	A. M. Clement,	265	111	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	29	32	0	1,425
" Boylston, J. P.	S. R. Crocker,	515	230	300	86	410	20	23	87	49	22	0	327	938	0	3,269
" *Swed.*,																
" *Norw.*,	Gabriel A. Rund,	25	12	45		0	0	0	5	0	0	0	88	93	0	935

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Chatham,	1720	L. Sidney Atwood,	Daniel W. Richardson, *p.*	'62	'96	24	54	78	20	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	2	1
Chelmsford, North,	1824	Dea. Charles H. Holt,	Robert W. Dunbar, *p. c.*	'99	'98	20	46	66	13	1	1	2	4	0	0	4	1	5
" Central,	1876	A. B. Woodward,	Ernest C. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'96	'94	31	76	107	18	3	0	3		1	0	2	0	3
Chelsea, 1st,	1841	Waldo E. Pratt,	Ross C. Houghton, *p. c.*	'69	'95	95	289	384	77	4	5	9	11	9	1	21	4	5
" Central,	1851	Andrew W. Woodman,	Rob't A. MacFadden, *p. c.*	'96	'98	179	550	729	134	28	9	37	9	18	5	32	5	11
" 3d,	1877	Jacob Pratt, jr.,	Samuel M. Cathcart, *p. c.*	'96	'96	46	122	168	50	7	4	11	2	3	6	11	6	1
Chester, 1st,	1769	W. A. Lyman,	Thomas W. Davison,	'99	'99	10	14	24	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" 2d,	1844	Edward O. Redfield,	Thomas D. Murphy, *p.*	'68	'93	30	75	105	23	3	2	5	2	2	0	4	3	0
Chesterfield,	1764	Mrs. Ellen A. Baker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, *p.*	'87	'95	32	66	98	15	11	3	14	3	0	0	3	9	0
Chicopee, 1st,	1752	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	Collins G. Burnham, *p. c.*	'79	'88	23	54	77	17	0	5	5	3	1	0	4	0	1
" 2d, Falls,	1830	Arthur B. West,	Hervey G. Pillsbury, *p.c.*	'82	'95	64	116	180	40	0	2	2	4	2	0	6	0	7
" 3d,	1834	James L. Pease,	Herbert P. Woodin, *p.*	'92	'98	48	118	166	49	6	3	9	3	0	39	42	4	5
Clinton,	1844	Edward L. Greene,	William W. Jordan, *p. c.*	'84	'93	154	321	475	90	21	11	32	10	13	0	23	5	20
" *German*,	1897	Henry W. Wessels,	Frank C. F. Scherff, *p.*	'76	'87	17	34	51	4	0	0	0	1	4	7	12	0	13
Cohasset,	1824	Warren L. Tower,	E. Victor Bigelow, *p. c.*	'91	'91	30	107	137	21	4	2	6	2	1	0	3	4	14
" Beechwood,	1863	Mrs. Clara Hyland, *a*	Frank Park, *p.*	'95	'98	5	33	38	14	1	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	1
Coleraine,	1750	Dea. A. H. Temple, *b*	Charles M. Crooks, *p.*	'97	'96	12	37	49	12	5	1	6	2	2	1	5	4	0
Concord,	1826	Rev. Ole O. Thorpe,	George A. Tewksbury, *p.*	'63	'91	66	138	204	25	12	6	18		9	0	10	5	14
Conway,	1768	Henry W. Billings,	Eugene F. Hunt, *p.*	'84	'95	70	124	194	26	5	1	6	5	2	0	7	2	0
Cummington,	1839	George W. Guilford,	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	32	65	97	7	0	0	0		4	4	9	0	0
" West,	1840	Mrs. Sarah M. Sears,	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	7	22	29	5	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0
Dalton,	1785	Dea. Henry A. Barton,	George W. Andrews, *p.*	'82	'83	123	229	352	45	22	1	23	8	5	0	13	4	7
Dana,	1852	N. L. Johnson,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'93	6	27	33	10	0	6	6	0	1	0	1	0	0
Danvers Center,	1689	Dea. E. A. H. Grover,	Harry C. Adams, *p. c.*	'89	'97	49	137	186	33	6	3	9	4	8	0	12	4	0
" Maple st.,	1844	Dea. John S. Learoyd,	Chauncey J. Hawkins, *p.c.*	'00	'00	110	267	377	42	5	1	6	5	6	0	11	5	3
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wanton H. Gray,	Simeon B. Dunn, *p.*	'75	'97	10	30	40	5	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	0
Dedham,	1638	Theodore T. Marsh,				102	240	342	57	15	8	23	3	4	0	7	6	0
Deerfield, South,	1818	Henry A. Field,	Edward O. Grisbrook, *p.*	'93	'98	54	100	154	26	7	0	7	3	6	0	9	1	0
"	1835	B. Z. Stebbins, jr.,	Horace E. Morrow, *p.*	'86	'99	21	43	64	8	2	4	6	1		5	7	2	0
Dennis, South,	1817	Miss E. H. Underwood,	Washington H. Forbes, *p.*	'81	'99	6	46	52	10	0	5	5		0	0	1	0	0
" Union,	1866	Nathan A. Howes,				7	31	38		0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0
Dighton, North,	1710	Dea. Geo. E. Gooding,	Dorrall Lee, *p.*	'76	'99	16	37	53	5	0	4	4	0		0	1	0	0
Douglas,	1747	Laura E. Balcome,	[George O. Crosby, *Meth.*]		'97	7	28	35	8	0	0	0	0		0	1	0	0
" East,	1834	Edwin Moore,	Charles P. Pierce, *p.*	'98	'97	30	77	107	24	1	9	10	3	3	0	6	1	8
Dover,	1839	George L. Howe,	Franklin C. Jones, *p.*	'63	'98	22	25	47	1	3	2	5		0	0	1	2	0
Dracut, 1st,	1721	Dea. Silas R. Coburn,	John P. Richardson, *p.*	'80	'98	14	49	63	6	7	5	12	2	4	0	6	5	13
" Central,	1847	William H. Stickney,	Frederick I. Kelley, *p. c.*	'89	'97	45	97	142	28	5	4	9	0	2	0	2	4	2
Dudley,	1732	Dea. Wm. H. Upham,	Newton I. Jones, *p.*	'75	'98	16	50	66	14	0	1		4	2	0	6	0	0
Dunstable,	1757	Lyman V. Parkhurst,	Harry L. Hartwell, *p.*	'95	'99	24	47	71	8	0	2	2		4	0	5	0	0
Duxbury,	1843	John H. Haverstock,	Henry B. Mason, *p.*	'92	'00	13	60	73	13	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	4

a N. Scituate. *b* Griswoldville. Chiltonville, *see* Plymouth. Clarendon Hills, *see* Hyde Park. Cliftondale, *see* Saugus. Curtisville, *see* Stockbridge. Dorchester, *see* Boston.

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Boston, Allston,	Harvey W. Walker,	382	185	300	110	810	101	75	733	133	31	18	131	2,032	0	7,666
" Harvard,	Frank B. Sherman	256	147		48	48	0	0	94	0	0	0	0	142	0	0
" Central,	Rev Geo. H. Flint,	182	111	200	35	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	120	130	0	2,200
" Seamen's,	George Marsters,	40	33			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	75	0	2,200
" Roslindale,	William J. Wilson,	310	208	225	97	73	0	0	81	0	0	0	96	250	0	2,963
" St. Mark's,	Thadeus J. Hamilton,	65	28	32	29	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	6	0	450
" Baker,	George Taylor,	300	140	300	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boxboro,	Martin E. Wood,	68	41	50	30	32	0	4	18	34	5	0	7	70	0	575
Boxford,	Hiram N. Town,	81	52	110	0	80	0	20	68	71	29	7	11	286	0	1,186
" West,	Prof. N. B. Sargent,	70	35	75	25	75	0	0	65	91	3	0	12	246	0	
Boylston, Cen.,	Calvin H. Andrews,	80	40	95	40	0	0	0	0	22	18	0	90	130	0	1,250
Braintree, st	Irving H. Horne,	263	159	150	47	196	14	17	416	14	50	0	53	760	0	4,000
South,	Henry B. Whitman,	200	120	200	0	75	6	9	40	27	10	12	25	204	0	3,000
Bridgewater,	W. D. Jackson,	m251	174	150	98	62	9	10	100	100	0	5	25	311	500	2,907
" Scotland,	W. H. H. Andrews,	40	30	40	38	29	0	3	12	5	1	0	0	50	0	425
Brimfield,	George H. Streeter,	114	58	51	44	44	13	12	30	20	51	0	0	170	2,421	1,225
Brockton, 1st,	George A. Manning,	419	226	600	212	167	24	116	501	27	45	11	198	1,089	0	7,000
" So. Campello,	H. Ernest Knowles,	866	533	375	287	271	344	76	898	150	51	25	485	2,300	0	13,287
" Porter,	J. Howard Field,	906	528	600	159	478	67	94	614	184	89	39	4,301	5,866	0	15,165
" *Swed.*, Camp.	Charles O. Peterson, B.,	206		95	85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	468	468	0	3,808
" Waldo,	Charles E. Johnson,	270	148		125	52	0	0	19	0	13	0	60	144	0	1,751
" Wendell av.,	Charles Williamson,	175	96	100	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,338
" Lincoln,	Henry F. Chavis,	20	18	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	14	0	476
Brookfield,	Edward B. Hale,	193	75	95	56	25	144	2	174	47	4	0	25	421	0	1,500
Brookline, Har'd,	Rev Oliver D. Sewall,	796			150	4,608	0	203	3,261	467	570	1,051	5,786	15,946	0	15,500
" Leyden.	Morris A. Hall,	80	45	85	19	294	85	104	465	156	27	0	7	1,138	0	28,987
Buckland,	Dea. Edmund F. Smith,	115	84	124	25	100	0	23	55	22	0	0	84	284	0	1,350
Burlington,	Thomas I. Reed,	75	50	50	65	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	30	0	1,700
Cambridge, 1st,	Charles W. Spencer,	395	304		150	2,843	0	0	4,343	340	140	0	1,250	8,916	0	9,420
" Prospect st.,	George B. Caswell,	354	186	356	143	686	43	46	499	141	17	0	33,403	34,835	0	6,495
" North av.,	James Morrison	450	285	300	105	575	50	32	666	140	20	0	215	1,698	0	10 744
" Pilgrim,	Arthur L. Miles,	539	319	475	172	183	40	50	117	141	59	0	139	729	0	5,500
" Wood Mem.	John W. Coe,	500	325	450	123	153	35	0	99	3	0	0	136	426	0	3,015
" Hope,	William White,	160		75	19	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	10	30	0	0
Canton,	Albert F. Morse, 2d,	90	50	100	45	0	0	0	37	0	25	0	100	162	800	1,343
Carlisle,	Dea. D. L. Chamberlain,	91	44	45	42	15	5	5	15	10	25	0	0	75	5,000	1,094
Carver, North,	Edgar E. Gardner,	60	38	40	16	22	0	0	30	0	4	0	9	65	0	463
Charlemont, 1st,	Dea. Edwin N. Hawkes,	115	59	50	0	0	0	7	9	9	0	0	0	25	60	700
" East,	Lorenzo Richmond,	60	34	48	51	31	22	27	86	13	16	4	71	270	0	400
Charlton,	Mrs. E. J. W. Spencer,	60	36	50	52	33	2	3	19	13	5	0	3	78	925	560

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Chatham,	1720	L. Sidney Atwood,	Daniel W. Richardson, *p.*	'62	'96	24	54	78	20	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	2	1
Chelmsford, North,	1824	Dea. Charles H. Holt,	Robert W. Dunbar, *p. c.*	'99	'98	20	46	66	13	1	1	2	4	0	0	4	1	5
" Central,	1876	A. B. Woodward,	Ernest C. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'96	'94	31	76	107	18	3	0	3	1	1	0	2	0	3
Chelsea, 1st,	1841	Waldo E. Pratt,	Ross C. Houghton *p. c.*	'69	'95	95	289	384	77	4	5	9	11	9	1	21	4	5
" Central,	1851	Andrew W. Woodman,	Rob't A MacFadden, *p. c.*	'96	'98	179	550	729	134	28	9	37	9	18	5	32	5	11
" 3d,	1877	Jacob Pratt, jr.,	Samuel M. Cathcart, *p. c.*	'96	'96	46	122	168	50	7	4	11	2	3	6	11	6	1
Chester, 1st,	1769	W. A. Lyman,	Thomas W. Davison,	'99	'99	10	14	24	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" 2d,	1844	Edward O. Redfield,	Thomas D. Murphy, *p.*	'68	'93	30	75	105	23	3	2	5	2	2	0	4	3	0
Chesterfield,	1764	Mrs. Ellen A. Baker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, *p.*	'87	'95	32	66	98	15	11	3	14	3	0	0	3	9	0
Chicopee, 1st,	1752	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	Collins G. Burnham, *p. c.*	'79	'88	23	54	77	17	0	5	5	3	1	0	4	0	1
" 2d, Falls,	1830	Arthur B. West,	Hervey G. Pillsbury, *p.c.*	'82	'95	64	116	180	40	0	2	2	4	2	0	6	0	7
" 3d,	1834	James L. Pease,	Herbert P. Woodin, *p.*	'92	'98	48	118	166	49	6	3	9	3	0	39	42	4	5
Clinton,	1844	Edward L. Greene,	William W. Jordan, *p. c.*	'84	'93	154	321	475	90	21	11	32	10	13	0	23	5	20
" *German*,	1897	Henry W. Wessels,	Frank C. F. Scherff, *p.*	'76	'87	17	34	51	4	0	0	0	1	4	7	12	0	13
Cohasset,	1824	Warren L. Tower,	E. Victor Bigelow, *p. c.*	'91	'91	30	107	137	21	4	2	6	2	1	0	3	4	14
" Beechwood,	1863	Mrs. Clara Hyland, *a*	Frank Park, *p.*	'95	'98	5	33	38	14	1	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	1
Colerain,	1750	Dea. A. H. Temple, *b*	Charles M. Crooks, *p.*	'97	'96	12	37	49	12	5	1	6	2	2	1	5	4	0
Concord,	1826	Rev. Ole O. Thorpe,	George A. Tewksbury, *p.*	'63	'91	66	138	204	25	12	6	18	1	9	0	10	5	14
Conway,	1768	Henry W. Billings,	Eugene F. Hunt, *p.*	'84	'95	70	124	194	26	5	1	6	5	2	0	7	2	0
Cummington,	1839	George W. Guilford,	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	32	65	97	7	0	0	0	1	4	4	9	0	0
" West,	1840	Mrs. Sarah M. Sears,	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	7	22	29	5	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0
Dalton,	1785	Dea. Henry A. Barton,	George W. Andrews, *p.*	'82	'83	123	229	352	45	22	1	23	8	5	0	13	4	7
Dana,	1852	N. Johnson,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'93	6	27	33	10	0	6	6	0	1	0	1	0	0
Danvers Center,	1689	Dea. E. A. H. Grover,	Harry C. Adam *p. c.*	'89	'97	49	137	186	33	6	3	9	4	8	0	12	4	0
" Maple st.,	1844	Dea. John S. Learoyd,	Ch uncey J Hawkins, *p.c.*	'00	'00	110	267	377	42	5	1	6	5	6	0	11	5	3
Dartmouth, South,	1807	W nton H. Gray,	Simeon B. Dunn, *p.*	'75	'97	10	30	40	5	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	0
Dedham,	1638	Theodore T. Marsh,				102	240	342	57	15	8	23	3	4	0	7	6	0
Deerfield, South,	1818	enry A. Field,	Edward O. Grisbrook, *p.*	'93	'98	54	100	154	26	7	0	7	3	6	0	9	1	0
"	1835	B. Z. Stebbins, jr.	Horace E. Morrow, *p.*	'86	'99	21	43	64	8	2	4	6	1	1	5	7	2	0
Dennis, South,	1817	Miss E. H. Underwood,	Washington H. Forbes, *p.*	'81	'99	6	46	52	10	0	5	5	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Union,	1866	Nathan A. Howes,				7	31	38		0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0
Dighton, North,	1710	Dea. Geo. E. Gooding,	Dorrall Lee, *p.*	'76	'99	16	37	53	5	0	4	4	0	1	0	1	0	0
Douglas,	1747	Laura E. Balcome,	[George O Crosby *Meth.*]		'97	7	28	35	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
" East,	1834	Edwin Moore,	Charles P. Pierce, *p.*	'98	'97	30	77	107	24	1	9	10	3	3	0	6	1	8
Dover,	1839	George L. Howe,	Franklin C. Jones, *p.*	'63	'98	22	25	47	1	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	2	0
Dracut, 1st,	1721	Dea. Silas R. Coburn,	John P. Richardson, *p.*	'80	'98	14	49	63	6	7	5	12	2	4	0	6	5	13
" Central,	1847	William H. Stickney,	Frederick I. Kelley, *p. c.*	'89	'97	45	97	142	28	5	4	9	0	2	0	2	4	2
Dudley,	1732	Dea. Wm. H. Upham,	Newton I. Jones, *p.*	'75	'98	16	50	66	14	0	1	1	4	2	0	6	0	0
Dunstable,	1757	Lyman V. Parkhurst,	Harry L. Hartwell, *p.*	'95	'99	24	47	71	8	0	2	2	1	4	0	5	0	0
Duxbury,	1843	John H. Haverstock,	Henry B. Mason, *p.*	'92	'00	13	60	73	13	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	4

a N. Scituate. *b* Griswoldville. Chiltonville, *see* Plymouth. Clarendon Hills, *see* Hyde Park. Cliftondale, *see* Saugus. Curtisville, *see* Stockbridge. Dorchester, *see* Boston.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Chatham,	Roswell Atwood,	0	39	60	56	20	0	0	9	0	2	0	20	51	0	522
Chelmsford, N.,	Dea. Arthur H. Sheldon,	126	68	130	90	5	0	2	4	1	2	0	0	14	0	1,290
" Cen'l	Samuel Hagerman,		80	80	97	72	0	20	0	29	11	0	125	257	0	2,074
Chelsea, 1st,	Arthur C. Stone.	m603	357	402	99	256	18	48	42	32	18	4	1,146	1,564	0	0
" Central,	George E. Morrill,	841	410	800	337	304	291	31	437	63	13	23	664	1,826	0	8,962
" 3d,	Richard Burns,	325	192		41	107	11	8	27	7	0	6	50	216	0	3,814
Chester, 1st,	William Ward,	30	20	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	300
" 2d,	Mrs. O. J. Shepardson,	105	65	95	36	8	5	0	130	21	30	0	50	244	0	1,606
Chesterfield,	William H. Baker,	75	37	125	37	36	0	8	10	13	4	7	5	83	0	675
Chicopee, 1st,	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	65	42	42	0	48	13	11	23	15	2	3	9	124	0	1,135
" 2d, Falls,	Clinton A. Wood,	192	118	140	20	165	110	47	301	119	23	6	180	951	5,000	2,800
" 3d,	W. H. Mosman,	117	83	100	55	200	35	4	170	41	32	2	1,379	1,863	0	2,800
Clinton,	Dea. C. D. Copp,	593	338	300	192	315	70	21	239	95	60	17	483	1,300	0	45,942
" *German*,	Rev. F. C. F. Scherff,	125	80	60	9	0	0	0	8	0	5	0	4	17	0	675
Cohasset,	Philander Bates,	175	98	125	72	212	9	9	122	20	7	10	5	394	0	2,200
" Beechwood,	Rev. Frank Park,	106	47	89	39	5	0	3	20	0	0	0	0	28	0	450
Colerain,	L. Griswold, **Griswoldville,**	60	23	75	23	20	11	11	8	6	10	1	37	104	0	890
Concord,	George M. Hopkins,	196	127	215	64	266	88	19	97	194	13	15	130	819	0	11,019
Conway,	Dea. Edward W. Hamilton,	130	87	100	50	76	23	67	18	40	30	6	103	363	0	1,662
Cummington,	Mrs. Sarah H. Streeter,	140	90	90	25	19	2	3	36	18	19	0	0	97	0	850
" West,	A. N. Hubbard,	56	31	45	21	0	1	0	10	2	0	0	5	18	0	390
Dalton,	Payson E. Little,	427	251	275	187	2,237	1,345	184	2,033	525	137	146	529	7,136	0	4,116
Dana,	Forrest A. Hicks, **Nichewaug,**	25	22	40	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	0	450
Danvers Center,		220	120	160	53	121	23	15	85	48	9	39	73	413	0	2,456
" Maple st.,	John S. Learoyd,	631	316		200	366	65	62	946	124	28	19	362	1,972	0	3,000
Dartmouth, So.,	E. B. Sturtevant,	75	33	100	44	5	3	5	5	17	2	0	15	52	0	1,050
Dedham,	James Y. Noyes,	210	139	200	94	684	102	114	617	256	48	62	364	2,247	0	4,541
Deerfield, South,	Rev. E. O. Grisbrook,	160	81	125	44	50	18	15	50	98	10	4	0	245	0	991
"	J. J. Greenough,	52	30	50	20	17	3	0	2	0	0	0	48	70	0	825
Dennis, South,	Andrew J. Hersey,	70	48	70	50	16	0	1	0	0	9	0	5	31	35	800
" Union,	Nathan A. Howes,	70	45	50	40	6	0	0	0	6	0	0	9	21	0	
Dighton, North,	George A. Clark,	70	46	51	48	73	0	0	98	40	0	0	78	289	0	1,025
Douglas,	Fred J. Lindberg,	50	35	40	22	26	0	0	5	5	6	0	5	47	0	375
" East,	Thomas H. Meek,	121	70	120	56	105	2	7	53	18	13	5	26	229	0	1,139
Dover,	George L. Howe,	54	37	58	38	32	0	0	16	13	7	0	4	72	0	356
Dracut, 1st,	James H. Richardson,	m155	82	70	31	2	1	2	2	1	18	2	14	42	0	1,017
" Central,	Calvin Richardson,	185	91	78	32	22	0	0	7	5	10	0	45	89	300	1,865
Dudley,	Miss Bertha E. Whiting,	159	50	70	62	4	2	0	20	8	11	0	8	53	0	1,008
Dunstable,	George A. Glover,	100	43	70	50	57	20	28	70	54	25	0	33	287	300	858
Duxbury,	Miss S. B. Higgins,	72	47	105	42	15	0	0	25	0	5	0	18	63	500	1,144

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East Bridgewater,	1826	Charles W. Leach,	Granville Yager, *p.*	'76	'98	45	63	108	29	0	5	5	0	1	0	1	0	0
Easthampton, 1st,	1785	Henry L. Lyman,	Sumner G. Wood, *p. c.*	'80	'89	93	211	304	52	5	3	8	6	4	4	14	4	6
" Payson,	1852	Charles H. Johnson,	Charles H. Hamlin, *p. c.*	'76	'85	125	345	470	75	11	3	14	5	9	0	14	5	11
East Longmeadow,	1829	Arthur G. Crane,	Harry C. McKnight, *p.*	'85	'98	32	61	93	22	6	1	7	5	0	0	5	4	3
Easton, Center,	1725	Dea. E. B. Hayward,*a*	Augustus H. Fuller, *p.*	'78	'92	51	106	157	26	0	3	3	5	2	0	7	0	4
" *Swedish*, North,	1883	William Borg,	Lambert T. Lindholm, *p.*	'98	'98	23	23	46	0	16	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	8
Edgartown,	1642	Theo. S. Wimpenney,	Charles L. Woodworth,	'89	'00	21	52	73	9	1	4	5	1	0	0		0	0
Egremont, South,	1816	Roscoe C. Taft,*b*	[Bruce W. Cronmiller, *Pres.*]	'93	'96	24	71	95	35	7	0	7	2	1	0	3	0	3
Enfield,	1789	H. H. Barlow,*c*	George H. Hubbard, *p.*	'84	'96	70	138	208	40	0	1	1	4	4	0	8	0	9
Erving,	1832		John A. Pogue,	'96	'00	20	42	62	14	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Essex,	1683	Rufus Choate,	Lyman H. Blake, *p.*	'67	'99	35	94	129	15	0	3	3	7	2	0	9	0	0
Everett, 1st,	1848	Franklin Pierce,	William I. Sweet, *p.*	'87	'97	140	269	409	63	13	17	30	10	20		31	4	13
" Courtland st.,	1891	Dea. Geo. R. F. Nichols,				18	26	44	7	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	2
" Mystic Side,	1893	George H. Wood,	Aquilla Webb, *p.*	'99	'99	44	86	130	14	6	5	11	1	13		15	3	9
Fairhaven,	1794	Tucker Damon,				25	84	109	16	0	2	2	3	5	0	8	0	1
Fall River, 1st,	1816		William W. Adams, *p. c.*	'60	'63	60	188	248	33	6	2	8	1	2	0	3	3	4
" Central,	1842	James W. Brigham,	William A. Knight, *p. c.*	'86	'97	202	400	602	75	18	4	22	6	10	0	16	6	27
" Fowler,	1874	Walter E. Tripp,	Payson W. Lyman, *p. c.*	'71	'88	17	73	90	23	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	0
" *French*,	1886	Joseph M. Adams,	Samuel P. Rondeau, *p.*	'92	'96	27	38	65	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Broadway,	1894	Dea. Joseph Lewin,	James E. Enman, *p. c.*	'95	'99	18	48	66	12	4	2	6	0	2	3	5	2	4
Falmouth, 1st,	1708	Dea. Seba A. Holton,	John H. Quint, *p.*	'98	'00	39	107	146	33	10	3	13	3	2	4	9	10	9
" East,	1821	Dea. W. W. Eldridge,*d*				9	21	30		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1833	Dea. Jas. M. Witherell,	Ezra N. Smith, *p.*	'72	'90	15	33	48	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Waquoit,	1849	John B. Fisher,				17	33	50	13	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
" Woods Holl,	1880	Mrs. John W. Bowles,	Joseph B. Long, *p.*	'90	'99	14	17	31	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	1768	George A. Hitchcock,	A. Frederic Dunnels, *p. c.*	'84	'99	147	263	410	115	0	6	6	12	14	6	32	0	6
" Rollstone,	1868	Frank C. Hoyt,	William O. Conrad, *p. c.*	'90	'96	191	386	577	95	5	16	21	10	18	0	28	1	4
" *German*,	1889	Paul A. Gast,	Fritz W. Martini, *p. c.*	'97	'00	23	57	80	8	11	2	13	0	2	0	2	0	0
" *Swedish*,	1892	Evald Ramgren,	Jonas Anderson, *p.*	'97	'99	49	51	100	14	7	0	7	4	15	2	21	0	0
Foxboro',	1779	Horace Carpenter,	James W. Flagg, *p.*	'82	'93	67	192	259	61	2	5	7	9	3	0	12	1	1
Framingham,	1701	Rev. L. R. Eastman,	Lucius R. Eastman, *p. c.*	'62	'71	80	202	282	26	1	8	9	2	4	0	6	1	4
" Saxonville,	1833	Dea. J. B. Johnson,	Arthur Titcomb, *p.*	'88	'99	34	115	149	39	0	2	2	2	9		2	0	1
" South,	1873	Fred L. Oaks,	Frederick E. Emrich, *p. c.*	'75	'90	140	278	418	70	3	33	36	4	9	0	3	2	13
Franklin, 1st,	1738	Dea. J. Herbert Baker,	Isaiah W. Sneath, *p. c.*	'84	'99	90	230	320	66	3	5	8	3	13	0	16	2	7
Freetown,	1807	Gilbert M. Nichols,	William F. Warren, *p.*	'78	'98	5	15	20	6	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Gardner,	1786	Henry H. Smith,	Burton S. Gilman, *p. c.*	'97	'97	148	303	451	39	36	21	57	11	8	0	19	31	0
Georgetown, 1st,	1732	Mrs. Alice C. Noyes,	Frank P. Estabrook, *p. c.*	'93	'98	30	99	129	33	0	4	4	3	2	0	5	0	0
" Memorial,	1864	Dea. Henry Hilliard,	C. Julian Tuthill, *p.*	'94	'95	32	76	108	23	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Gill,	1796	Mrs. L. E. S. Moore,	William H. Dowden, *p.*	'63	'98	1	19	30	4	3	1	4	1	3	0	4	3	1
Gloucester, West,	1716	Arthur M. Wilkins,	Temple Cutler, *p.*	'61	'95	22	35	57	10	0	0	0	1	2		4	0	0

a **Eastondale.** *b* **Bancroft.** *c* **Smiths.** *d* **Hatchville.** **Feeding Hills,** *see* **Agawam.** **Florence,** *see* **Northampton.** **Gilbertville,** *see* **Hardwick.**

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E. Bridgewater,	Charles W. Leach,	90	75	80	50	85	3	4	3	8	4	0	11	118	0	1,800
Easthampton, 1st,	L. E. Parsons,	320	152	200	90	113	49	47	113	65	31	14	97	529	0	2,728
" Payson,	Samuel Brown,	250	187	200	101	175	20	30	520	75	10	15	133	978	1,000	5,665
E. Longmeadow,	Edward M. Burt,	132	87	62	32	53	3	4	31	3	16	4	31	145	0	882
Easton,	Charles M. Ripley,	300	185	225	99	132	9	15	82	30	18	8	35	329	0	2,140
" *S.*, North,	William Borg,	115	100	57	25	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	2,500
Edgartown,	Mrs. H. R. F. Shepard,	65	40	52	26	29	2	2	12	4	2	0	12	63	0	900
Egremont, South,	Chester G. Dalzell, **Becket,**	89	47	55	42	3	4	5	10	12	6	0	10	50	0	919
Enfield,	R. L. Thayer,	208	133	150	35	176	213	27	124	150	37	16	50	793	0	1,850
Erving,	William W. Brown,	128	60	122	28	6	0	0	4	0	5	0	6	21	0	588
Essex,	Dea. Gardner Burnham,	170	88	135	66	16	0	18	15	21	0	0	186	256	0	0
Everett, 1st,	George S. Marshall,	m1148	438	400	160	106	29	16	101	51	23	10	110	446	0	6,525
" Courtland st.	John M. Finch,	135	100	25	47	4	0	0	11	0	0	0	1	16	0	710
" Mystic Side,	Allison C. Smith,	319	185	183	47	59	15	4	51	10	0	4	5	148	0	2,654
Fairhaven,	Robert W. Taber,	132	80	151	40	40	0	0	60	0	0	0	0	100	0	1,725
Fall River, 1st,	G. Frank Allen,	300	174	250	175	397	4,915	1,064	5,042	49	96	0	3,359	14,922	0	6,545
" Cen'l,	W. D. Fellows, J. S. C. Fidden	650	460	450	175	1,515	104	102	2,500	522	97	0	3,419	8,259	0	10,000
" Fowler,	Frederick W. Lawson,	160	107	83	32	36	0	0	29	40	25	0	14	144	0	860
" *French*,	Rev. Samuel P. Rondeau,	66	49	26	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	13		0	132
" Broadway,	James Lightbown,	130	75	50	40	27	0	0	17	4	0	0	10	58	0	1,003
Falmouth, 1st,	W. C. Davis,	105	64	125	35	82	10	25	156	21	25	11	85	415	0	2,709
" East,	Wm. F. Robinson, **Hatchville,**	24	14	15	22	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	400
" North,	Dea. Silas Hatch, **Hatchville,**	50	35	50	21	45	5	5	25	10	5	0	20	115	0	
" Waquoit,	Alexander Crocker,	23	15	33	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	16	0	295
" Woods Holl,	Willis C. Gifford,			20	22	3	0	0	9	0	0	0	25	37	0	400
Fitchburg, Calv.	Albert C. Brown,	356	183		125	289	26	75	503	68	46	5	583	1,595	0	27,918
" Rollstone,	Charles A. Tilton,	472	263	500	144	288	28	31	561	148	27	26	269	1,378	500	6,011
" *German*,	Rev. S. H. Schwab,	117	80	40	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" *Swedish*,	Wm. Patterson,	127	93	50	39	57	0	0	5	0	0	0	82	144	0	1,755
Foxboro',	Benj. F. Boyden,	229	136	180	47	130	17	12	51	40	18	8	155	431	2,600	2,117
Framingham,	Lucius R. Eastman, jr.	141	80	140	50	455	256	17	746	207	0	0	144	1,825	0	3,383
" Saxonville,	Arthur C. Winch,	97	57	94	54	58	5	4	135	11	5	8	6	232	0	1,650
" South,	Edward W. Lamson,	430	227	325	98	265	23	31	547	196	57	0	2,321	3,440	3,182	9,156
Franklin, 1st,	Will S. Richardson,	250	140	250	71	97	14	10	29	29	6	2	265	452	0	5,000
Freetown,	M. Florence Dean,	40	27	50	32	2	3	3	5	3	3	2	0	21	0	545
Gardner,	Herbert D. Burnham,	405	202	400	95	235	138	19	333	125	22	0	1,442	2,314	0	5,500
Georgetown, 1st,	Edwin S. Daniels,	112	70	130		43	0	0	19	10	0	0	73	145	0	1,849
" Memorial,	Lewis H. Giles,	159	85	140	40	59	13	7	106	27	6	0	112	330	0	1,800
Gill,	Francis A. Foster,	50	25	22	25	2	0	0	12	10	3	0	0	27	53	553
Gloucester, West,	E. Walter Haskell,	65	48	57	0	18	0	0	35	0	0	0	22	75	0	438

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Gloucester Trinity,	1829	John J. Pew,	Rufus P. Hibbard, *p. c.*	'68	'88	78	242	320	36	1	3	4	4	9	0	13	1	10
Lanesville,	1830	Francis Reid,	Frank H. Reed, *p. c.*	'86	'85	37	84	121	33	0	3	3	2	1	0	3	0	0
Magnolia,	1887	George A. Upton,	[Markham W. Stackpole,]		'99	10	21	31	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	0	0
Goshen,	1780	Dea. Charles W. Shaw,	Calvin Keyser, *p.*	'75	'98	19	33	52	11	0	2	2	1	1	4	6	0	1
Grafton,	1731	H Catherine Allen,	Benjamin A. Robie, *p.*	'66	'84	36	98	134	36	1	0	1	3	2	0	5	0	0
" Saundersville,	1860	Wm. E. Fowler,	David Howie, *p.*	'89	'93	43	91	134	30	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
Granby,	1762	Dea. Simeon Kellogg,	Robert C. Bell, *p*	'69	'92	70	131	201	30	10	8	18	6	9	2	17	8	1
Granville, East,	1747	Mrs. J. W. Johnson,	Wallace H. Sterns, *p. c.*	'97	'97	13	28	41	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" West,	1781					25	37	62	35	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Great Barrington,	1743	J. W. Curtis,	Leon D. Bliss, *p. c.*	'89	'96	88	207	295	49	8	13	21	9	5	0	14	5	12
Housatonic,	1841	Thomas E. Brown,	Arthur J. Benedict, *p.*	'75	'92	54	118	172	28	1	0	1	8	0	0	8	0	8
Greenfield, 1st,	1754	Charles W. Dinsmore,	Carey H. Watson, *p.*	'91	'90	28	49	77	15	2	3	5	2	0	4	6	2	0
" 2d,	1817	Miss Lucia A. Peck,				100	241	341	52	10	12	22	6	5	0	11	7	5
Greenwich,	1749	Walter H. Glazier, G. V.	James P. Harper, *p.*	'94	'99	22	69	91	19	5	1	6	3	2	0	5	5	0
Groton,	1664	Dea. Darwin P. Keyes,	Louis B. Voorhees, *p. c.*	'71	'93	57	120	177	34	4	4	8	7	2	1	10	3	2
" West.	1893	Mrs. M E Williams,	Alfred S. Hudson, *p.*	'67	'92	7	10	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groveland,	1727	Dea. W. B. Ladd,	Charles F. Clarke, *p.*	'92	'99	25	69	94	18	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Hadley, 1st,	1659	Martin S. Pierce,	Edward E. Keedy, *p.*	'94	'94	63	134	197	45	4	0	4	2	5	0	7	3	0
" 2d, North,	1831	O. W. Prouty,	John W. Lane, *p. c.*	'60	'77	55	78	133	46	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	1
Halifax,	1734	Miss M. J. Danforth,	Jesse H. Jones, *p.*	'61	'97	13	33	46	9	1	0	1	3	2	0	5	0	0
Hamilton,	1714	Dea. J. P. Lovering,	Jesse G. Nichols, *p. c.*	'94	'94	31	72	103	25	1	4	5	2	3	0	5	1	2
Hampden,	1785	Dea. A. B. Newell,	James B. Sargent, *p. c.*	'97	'97	22	50	72	18	3	1	4	1	1	1	3	2	1
Hanover, West,	1728	Dea. Francis B. Ellis,	Edward D. Disbrow, *p.*	'92	'95	12	48	60	6	2	0	2	0	4	0	4	2	0
" Four Corners,	1854	Henry B Barstow	John Wild, *p.*	'92	'92	13	33	46	9	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0
Hanson,	1748	Dea. G. W. Severance,				10	30	40	5	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	0
Hardwick,	1736	Rev. Harlan Page,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'91	11	36	47	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" Gilbertville,	1867	Alfred H. Richardson,	Samuel A. Barrett, *p.*	'88	'99	44	78	122	43	1	9	10	1	5	0	6	0	18
Harvard,	1821	Dea. J.W. Bacon, Ayer.	Jason G. Miller, *p. c.*	'99	'99	23	39	62	8	1	2	3	3	0	0	3	1	0
Harwich,	1747		Charles H. Rowley, *p.*	'80	'99	20	50	70	15	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
" Port,	1855	Mrs. Emulous Small,				7	45	52	8	1	2	3	0	1	0	1	1	0
Hatfield,	1671	Dea. James Porter,	Robert McE. Woods, *p. c.*	'77	'77	100	178	278	32	19	2	21	4	7	0	11	7	6
Haverhill, Bradford,	1682	S Willard Carleton,	John D. Kingsbury, *p. c.*	'56	'66	139	302	441	38	2	3	5	4	2	0	6	0	4
" West,	1735	Edward Webster,	John N. Lowell, *p. c.*	'77	'80	57	93	150	40	3	0	3	3	2	0	5	2	4
" 4th,	1744	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	7	15	22	7	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0
" Center,	1833	Charles N. Dyer,	Calvin M. Clark, *p. c.*	'90	'93	117	326	443	62	16	6	22	5	8	0	13	13	7
" North,	1859	George C. How,	James S. Williamson, *p.c.*	'90	'99	123	355	478		1	0	1	6	6	0	12	1	1
" Riverside,	1884	Clifton M. Foster,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	20	78	98	9	3	0	3	1	0	2	3	3	3
" Union,	1891	Fred K. Brooks,	Albert F. Newton, *p. c.*	'77	'98	36	92	128	19	15	15	30	3	0	2	5	5	1
" St. John's, *French*,	'93		[C. L. Charron],		'00	15	32	47	13	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	4	3
" Ward Hill,	1893	J. Harlan Chase,	Charles Clark, *p. c.*	'94	'97	23	50	73	5	0	3	3	3	0	0	3	0	4
Hawley,	1778	Mrs. F. S. Bissell,	Hohannes T. Torosyan,	'99	'99	18	31	49	11	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1
" West,	1825	Willis Vincent,	Thomas S. Robie, *p.*	'59	'98	23	35	58	12	4	1	5	2	0	0	2	4	1

Haydenville, see Williamsburg.

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Gloucester, Trin.,	John Cunningham,	500	333	380	43	385	68	73	378	153	16	40	1,148	2,261	0	5,055
" Lanesville,	Joseph H. Andrews,	170	70	115	80	0	0	3	0	0	8	0	10	21	0	1,050
" Magnolia,	Ernest W. Dunbar,	80	40	60	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500	1,166
Goshen,	James Mollison,	47	20	30	20	3	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	19	0	487
Grafton,	William Loynd,	159	84	91	61	165	15	16	59	33	11	0	87	386	0	1,691
" Saundersville,	William E. Fowler,	165	107	116	112	72	0	10	22	5	1	0	75	185	0	3,645
Granby,	Francis A. Forward,	144	77	93	63	47	99	37	61	19	9	3	94	369	0	1,366
Granville, East,	Edward Roberts,	30	21	40	0	17	0	5	5	5	0	0	0	32	0	700
" West,	Mrs. Samuel B. Andrews,	64	47	48	10	5	0	0	10	0	0	0	9	24	0	190
Great Barrington	Rev. Leon D. Bliss,	200	127	210	77	170	44	28	269	56	75	25	253	920	0	4,040
" Housatonic,	Frederick H. Turner,	m180	150	140	54	151	5	13	163	55	14	8	162	571	0	1,800
Greenfield, 1st,	Lewis N. Smead,	82	44	72	33	15	16	60	27	0	7	0	20	145	0	767
" 2d,	George H. Kaulback,	268	213	300	100	349	66	141	623	175	66	0	27	1,447	0	6,000
Greenwich,	Frank P. Hall, G. Village,	60	45	50	32	20	0	0	43	45	0	0	6	114	0	763
Groton,	Dea. Nelson N. Torrey,	147	75	110	36	418	2,049	22	816	109	20	0	4	3,438	500	2,095
" West,	Charles Bixby,	60	37		26	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	346
Groveland,	Charles S. Huntress,	116	68	150	26	0	10	10	53	0	0	0	65	138	0	850
Hadley, 1st,	A. J Randall,	125	87	100	34	161	22	11	89	48	13	3	10	357	0	1,347
" 2d, North,	Charles S. Abbott,	70	47	70	31	24	0	0	0	50	8	0	0	62	0	825
Halifax,	Miss M. J. Danforth,	40	28		0	34	0	0	25	0	0	0	4	63	0	
Hamilton,	Rev. J. G. Nichols,	125	60	160	118	35	0	0	42	2	22	27	0	128	0	1,380
Hampden,	Dea. A. B. Newell,	51	30	41	0	28	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	34	0	776
Hanover, West,	Henry McNoye,	90	55	85	60	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	4	10	0	950
" Four Corners,	Israel Hatch,	48	30	50	21	34	3	1	10	9	11	2	4	74	0	705
Hanson,	Miss M. A. Carr,	104	74	135	78	43	3	2	9	0	15	4	16	92	0	731
Hardwick,	Frank W. Kimball,	63	20	84	26	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	13	0	1,030
Gilbertville,	Elmer M. Marsh,	221	152	131	35	190	54	75	196	71	38	17	146	787	0	1,857
Harvard,	Charles L. Clay,	100	50	50	45	64	7	5	19	7	5	0	50	157	0	1,200
Harwich,	Cyrenus S Hunt,	80	49	90	70	41	0	0	30	0	0	0	12	83	0	4,060
Port,	Mrs. Jehiel Jordan,	83	46	100	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,820
Hatfield,	Joseph S. Wells,	186	115	135	71	430	65	65	304	166	25	0	87	1,142	10,000	1,666
Haverhill, B'fd,	Rev. Vincent Moses,	318	250	400	110	216	10	25	235	33	52	0	192	763	0	3,300
" West,	Dea. F. A. Russell,	142	89	100	82	59	15	10	111	56	20	0	57	328	2,000	1,290
" 4th,	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	34	21	40		0	50	3	65	35	0	0	300	453	0	520
" Center,	William D. Dearing,	441	215	400	103	159	100	90	236	209	36	0	143	973	0	5,000
" North,	William H. Johnson,	290	197	500	118	200	0	0	200	0	0	50	590	1,040	0	8 000
" Riverside,	A. W. Brown,	265	140	212	125	6	0	6	30	12	0	0	35	89	0	1,180
" Union,	Jacob K. Nute,	316	192	250	70	19	0	0	10	12	8	0	35	84	0	3,080
" St. John's, *Fr.*						0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Ward Hill,	Herbert C. Waldo,	132	74	115	42	10	0	0	11	1	5	0	15	42	0	1,124
Hawley,	Edward L. Eldridge,	40	30	40	18	12	0	1	11	0	0	0	12	36	0	340
" West,	C. C. Fuller,	45	28	33	27	3	4	8	12	3	7	0	37	74	0	360

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Lowell, Pawtucket,	1797	Dea. John J. Colton,				55	113	168	20	13	2	15	2	2	0	4	7	4
" 1st,	1826	Dea. Andrew Liddell,	Franke A. Warfield, *p. c.*	'71	'98	155	400	555	185		17	28	6	5	0		4	1
" 1st Trinitarian,	1826	Dea. David A. Eaton,	George F. Kenngott, *p. c.*	'89	'92	164	396	560	128	17	14	31	16	0	0	26	5	17
" Eliot,	1830	Frank W. Corey,	John M. Greene, *p. c.a*	'57	'70	129	303	432	83	3	3	6	8	6	0	14	0	0
" John st.,	1839	Wm. H. G. Wight,	George H. Johnson, *p. c.*	'77	'92	62	146	208	57	4	3	7	6	2	0	8	2	3
" Kirk st.,	1845	Albert L. Thompson,	William A. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'86	'96	179	412	591	190	19	25	44	10	8	0	18	12	3
" High st.,	1846	Dea. Francis N. Chase,	Chas. W. Huntington, *p. c.*	'81	'88	74	160	234	47	2	4	6	4	4	0	8	0	2
" *French*,	1877	Auguste Sarre,	Thomas G. A. Coté, *p.*	'71	'95	59	53	112	41	12		13	2	3	13	18	5	12
" Highland,	1884	Frank B. Wiggins,	Charles L. Merriam, *p. c.*	'82	'91	79	209	288	65	0	2	2	5	23	0	28	0	2
" *Swed.*,	1885	Alfred Swanson,	Andrew P. Nelson, *p. c.*	'94	'97	26	58	84	12	5	0	5	1	2	8	11	0	0
" *Norwegian*,	1895	Dea. Anton Justad,				6	9	15	6	0	0	0		2	1	4	0	4
Ludlow, Center,	1789	Rev. E. D. Francis,	Everett D. Francis, *p. c.*	'95	'95	44	85	129	30	0			2	0	0	2	0	0
" Union,	1867	Albert A. Gove,	William A. Thomas, *p.*	'82	'97	53	99	152	12	51	19	70	4	9	3	16	3	9
Lunenburg,	1835	Edmund S. Francis,	David Wallace, *p.*	'94	'97	25	65	90	30	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Lynn, 1st,	1632	Guilford S. Newhall,	William C. Merrill, *p.*	'84	'96	76	181	257	21	6	9	15	8	10	0	18	2	6
" Central,	1850	Will am A. Perkins,				102	231	333	60	0	4	4	3	5	2	10	0	0
" Chestnut st.,	1860	George E. Sargent,	George W. Osgood, *p.*	'78	'94	42	156	198	57	6	3	9	3	0	0	3	6	2
" North,	1869	W. Fred Haskell,	Arthur J. Covell, *p. c.*	'90	'98	56	156	212	26	9		20	4	8	0	12	6	4
" *Swed.*,	1888	Andrew Ridderstrom,	John A. Johnson, *p. c.*	'92	'88	39	65	104	9	11	0		0	5	2	7	0	13
Lynnfield, Center,	1720	Charles E. Pearson,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	94	19	58	77	13	1	0		0	0	0	0	1	0
" 2d,	1854	Rev. Geo. E. Freeman,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'94	6	31	37	6	0	1		2	0	0	2	0	1
Malden,	1648	Percy E. Walbridge,	Henry H. French, *p. c.*	'81	'94	243	496	739	128	7	26	33	16	17	1	34	3	4
" Maplewood,	1874	Charles N. Keeler,	Charles S. Macfarland,	'97	'99	54	120	174	40	0	3	3	4	8	0	12	0	0
" Linden,	1876	Charles H. Paul,	John C. Williams, *p.*	'90	'95	16	59	75	19	6	6	12	2	7	2	11	1	2
Manchester,	1716	George F. Allen,	Walter H. Ashley, *p.*	'78	'98	54	135	189	22	1	2	3		2	0	3	1	2
Mansfield,	1838	Edward P. Fitts,	Herman F. Swartz, *p. c.*	'98	'98	88	190	278	29	23	7	30	6	2	0	8	11	14
Marblehead,	1684	Daniel Appleton,	S. Linton Bell, *p. c.*	'77	'84	52	186	238	38	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	0
Marion,	1703	Rev. H. L. Brickett,	Harry L. Brickett, *p. c.*	'83	'94	24	65	89	17	1	3	4		0	0	1	1	11
Marlboro',	1666	F. L. Claflin,	Lincoln B. Goodrich, *p. c.*	'93	'96	114	255	369	48	9	8		7	2	3	12	5	4
" *French*,	1891	Mrs. S. E. Olmstead,	Samuel E. Lord,	'98	'98	8	19	27	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Marshfield, 1st,	1632	Dea. John H. Bourne,	Frederic W. Manning, *p. c.*	'91	'92	33	63	96	25	1	6			0	0	4	0	2
" Hills,	1835	Israel H. Hatch, No. M.				9	24	33	0	0	0	0		0	0	1	0	0
Mattapoisett,	1736	L. L. B. Dexter,	Robert Humphrey, *p.*	'83	'96	21	63	84	16	4	2	6	3	1	0	4	0	0
Maynard,	1852	John W. Flood,	Charles H. Washburn, *p. c.*	'85	'99	57	58	215	45	0	3	3	3		3	17	0	0
Medfield,	1828	Dea. Francis S. Wight,	Leroy M. Pierce, *p.*	'70	'97	24	84	108	34	3		4	5	3	0	8	0	0
Medford, Mystic,	1847	Nathaniel A. Dyer,	John Barstow, *p. c.*	'87	'94	34	311	445	48	12	13	25	8	8	4	20	10	8
" West,	1872	Henry Newcomb,	Judson V. Clancy, *p. c.*	'87	'96	66	156	222	49	3	6	9	3	4		8	0	8
" Union,	1887	James Learmonth,	Isaac Pierson, *p. c.*	'70	'95	39	59	98	13	4	6	10		4	2	7	0	10
Medway, West,	1750	Edgar S. Woodman,	George E. Sweet, *p.*	'90	'99	51	19	170	35	6	5		7	0	0	7	7	0
" Village,	1838	Wm. N. Hitchcock,	Rufus K. Harlow, *p. c.b*	'68	72	6	138	199		1	0	1	3	4	0	7		7

a George R. Hewitt, associate p., '86, '99.

b Robert W. Drawbridge, asst. p., '97, '00.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Hingham,	George E. Kimball,	134	54	90	84	83	0	0	36	12	26	0	8	165	0	1,428
" Bethany,	H. O. Beale.	35	20	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Hinsdale,	William B. Barlow,	125	88	110	70	225	0	0	299	54	4	10	122	714	0	1,860
Holbrook,	Dea. Leonard Belcher,	228	108	165	46	140	264	29	286	67	69	28	12	895	0	2,600
Holden,	Frank J. Knowlton,	107	65	115	32	60	8	5	19	8	9	0	25	134	0	1,653
Holland,	Freeman B. Blodgett,	36	16	28	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	17	0	200
Holliston,	George E. W. Brooks,	183	89	225	64	118	15	0	131	44	9	0	111	428	0	2,820
Holyoke, 1st,	John J. Ramage,	518	277	350	115	220	60	23	240	50	25	12	1,000	1,630	0	5,500
" 2d,	A. H. Morton,	1,043	654	599	202	995	68	150	5,521	151	59	244	22,253	29,441	0	18,338
" *French*,	Adolphe Fluhmann,	20	10	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	122
Hopkinton,	J. David Stewart,	144	99	175	35	114	17	47	155	55	73	26	349	836	0	2,038
Hubbardston,	Charles T. Wyman,	57	24	52	14	69	10	0	51	13	2	0	48	193	0	600
Hudson,	Milton T. Bailey,	160	95	92	53	20	0	0	22	14	7	0	8	71	0	1,305
Huntington, 1st,	F. B. Fox,	65	47	40	30	0	0	2	5	20	0	0	0	27	0	600
" 2d,	J. Wesley Culver,	131	80	87	30	24	2	5	15	14	18	1	34	113	0	1,200
Hyde Park,	Joseph K. Knight,	653	365		150	507	163	65	952	126	36	118	209	2,176	0	8,621
" Cl. Hills,	Henry L. Johnson,	172	94	102	0	10	3	5	10	5	5	5	40	83	0	945
Ipswich, 1st,	Rev. Edward Constant,	193	102	150	60	160	10	25	165	116	36	28	83	623	0	
" South,	Frank T. Goodhue,	139	77		40	141	103	55	125	93	51	29	67	664	0	2,500
" Linebrook,	Albert F. Tenney,	40	25	37	15	21	0	0	12	17	2	7	8	67	0	550
Kingston,	Miss F. B. McLauthlin,	77	36	60	26	40	8	11	40	15	10	4	4	132	0	1,500
Lakeville,	Thos. P. Paull, Myricks,	60	36	55	0	53	0	0	31	22	18	0	0	124	0	800
Lancaster,	William E. Sargent,	83	68	81	0	82	3	11	68	80	4	0	5	253	0	1,337
Lanesboro,																
Lawrence, L. st.	Charles H. Choate,	341	199	350	112	165	27	26	1,384	122	187	0	100	2,011	0	4,800
" South,	Herbert B. Merrick,	224	171	225	46	14	0	0	25	10	0	0	0	49	0	2,700
" Riverside,	Rev. Henry E. Oxnard,	200	140	60	60	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	14	19	0	1,500
" Trinity,	Wilbur E. Rowell,	300	245	330	58	130	31	23	65	31	24	0	709	1,013	0	4,750
" United,	Francis A. Hall,	193	115	160	78	11	0	0	10	9	8	0	17	55	0	2,800
Lee,	Augustus R. Smith,	222	155	200	100	1,184	50	71	946	269	77	0	1,225	3,822	0	3,233
Leicester,	Albert S. Conant,	169	79	100	72	364	53	15	514	51	18	21	19	1,055	0	6,484
Lenox,	Edward C. Carter,	150	86	80	79	65	2	9	62	20	0	0	149	307	0	2,469
Leominster,	Walter N. Howe,	400		275	210	239	5	22	233	19	51	0	247	816	0	4,547
" North,	Charles H. Haven,	110	75	75	67	62	3	7	66	11	0	9	14	172	0	1,900
Leverett,	C. Hall Beaman,	100	62	95	30	0	8	0	15	8	8	0	6	45	0	1,535
" Moore's Cor.	Elmer E. Briggs,	78	36	51	0	16	0	3	7	0	3	0	0	29	0	339
Lexington,	Allston M. Redman,	193	104	120	92	251	39	85	232	147	47	0	133	934	0	12,220
Lincoln,	Edward F. Flint,	45	28	60	32	1,181	0	54	318	152	0	0	0	1,705	0	1,800
Littleton,	E. B. Parker,	75	58	55	51	59	2	5	67	20	33	6	45	237	50	1,100
Longmeadow,	Frank B. Allen,	150	72	139	32	242	33	34	142	60	24	26	489	1,050	0	1,843

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Lowell, Pawtucket,	1797	Dea. John J. Colton,				55	113	168	20	13	2	15	2	2	0	4	7	4
" 1st,	1826	Dea. Andrew Liddell,	Franke A. Warfield, *p. c.*	'71	'98	155	400	555	185	11	17	28	6	5	0	11	4	1
" 1st Trinitarian,	1826	Dea. David A. Eaton,	George F. Kenngott, *p. c.*	'89	'92	164	396	560	128	17	14	31	16	10	0	26	5	17
" Eliot,	1830	Frank W. Corey,	John M. Greene, *p. c.a*	'57	'70	129	303	432	83	3	3	6	8	6	0	14	0	0
" John st.,	1839	Wm. H. G. Wight,	George H. Johnson, *p. c.*	'77	'92	62	146	208	57	4	3	7	6	2	0	8	2	3
" Kirk st.,	1845	Albert L. Thompson,	William A. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'86	'96	179	412	591	190	19	25	44	10	8	0	18	12	3
" High st.,	1846	Dea. Francis N. Chase,	Chas. W. Huntington, *p. c.*	'81	'88	74	160	234	47	2	4	6	4	4	0	8	0	2
" *French*,	1877	Auguste Sarre,	Thomas G. A. Coté, *p.*	'71	'95	59	53	112	41	12	1	13	2	3	13	18	5	12
" Highland,	1884	Frank B. Wiggins,	Charles L. Merriam, *p. c.*	'82	'91	79	209	288	65	0	2	2	5	23	0	28	0	2
" *Swed.*,	1885	Alfred Swanson,	Andrew P. Nelson, *p. c.*	'94	'97	26	58	84	12	5	0	5	1	2	8	11	0	0
" *Norwegian*,	1895	Dea. Anton Justad,				6	9	15	6	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	0	4
Ludlow, Center,	1789	Rev. E. D. Francis,	Everett D. Francis, *p. c.*	'95	'95	44	85	129	30	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0
" Union,	1867	Albert A. Gove,	William A. Thomas, *p.*	'82	'97	53	99	152	12	51	19	70	4	9	3	16	3	9
Lunenburg,	1835	Edmund S. Francis,	David Wallace, *p.*	'94	'97	25	65	90	30	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Lynn, 1st,	1632	Guilford S. Newhall,	William C. Merrill, *p.*	'84	'96	76	181	257	21	6	9	15	8	10	0	18	2	6
" Central,	1850	Will am A. Perkins,				102	231	333	60	0	4	4	3	5	2	10	0	0
" Chestnut st.,	1860	George E. Sargent,	George W. Osgood, *p.*	'78	'94	42	156	198	57	6	3	9	3	0	0	3	6	2
" North,	1869	W. Fred Haskell,	Arthur J. Covell, *p. c.*	'90	'98	56	156	212	26	9	11	20	4	8	0	12	6	4
" *Swed.*,	1888	Andrew Ridderstrom,	John A. Johnson, *p. c.*	'92	'88	39	65	104	9	11	0	11	0	5	2	7	0	13
Lynnfield, Center,	1720	Charles E. Pearson,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'94	19	58	77	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
" 2d,	1854	Rev. Geo. E. Freeman,	George E. Freeman, *p. c.*	'58	'94	6	31	37	6	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	1
Malden,	1648	Percy E. Walbridge,	Henry H. French, *p. c.*	'81	'94	243	496	739	128	7	26	33	16	17	1	34	3	4
" Maplewood,	1874	Charles N. Keeler,	Charles S. Macfarland,	'97	'99	54	120	174	40	0	3	3	4	8	0	12	0	0
" Linden,	1876	Charles H. Paul,	John C. Williams, *p.*	'90	'95	16	59	75	19	6	6	12	2	7	2	11	1	2
Manchester,	1716	George F. Allen,	Walter H. Ashley, *p.*	'78	'98	54	135	189	22	1	2	3	1	2	0	3	1	2
Mansfield,	1838	Edward P. Fitts,	Herman F. Swartz, *p. c.*	'98	'98	88	190	278	29	23	7	30	6	2	0	8	11	14
Marblehead,	1684	Daniel Appleton,	S. Linton Bell, *p. c.*	'77	'84	52	186	238	38	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	0
Marion,	1703	Rev. H. L. Brickett,	Harry L. Brickett, *p. c.*	'83	'94	24	65	89	17	1	3	4		0	0	1	1	11
Marlboro',	1666	F. L. Claflin,	Lincoln B. Goodrich, *p. c.*	'93	'96	114	255	369	48	9	8	17		2	3	12	5	4
" *French*,	1891	Mrs. S. E. Olmstead,	Samuel E. Lord,	'98	'98	8	19	27	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Marshfield, 1st,	1632	Dea. John H. Bourne,	Frederic W. Manning, *p. c.*	'91	'92	33	63	96	25	1	6		4	0	0	4	0	2
" Hills,	1835	Israel B. Hatch, No. M.				9	24	33	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Mattapoisett,	1736	L. L. B. Dexter,	Robert Humphrey, *p.*	'83	'96	21	63	84	16	4	2	6	3	1	0	4	0	0
Maynard,	1852	John W. Flood,	Charles H. Washburn, *p. c.*	'85	'99	57	158	215	45	0	3	3	3	11	3	17	0	0
Medfield,	1828	Dea. Francis S. Wight,	Leroy M. Pierce, *p.*	'70	'97	24	84	108	34	3	1	4	5	3	0	8	0	0
Medford, Mystic,	1847	Nathaniel A. Dyer,	John Barstow, *p. c.*	'87	'94	134	311	445	48	12	13	25	8	8	4	20	10	8
" West,	1872	Henry Newcomb,	Judson V. Clancy, *p. c.*	'87	'96	66	156	222	49	3	6	9	3	4	1	8	0	8
" Union,	1887	James Learmonth,	Isaac Pierson, *p. c.*	'70	'95	39	59	98	13	4	6	10	1	4	2	7	0	10
Medway, West,	1750	Edgar S. Woodman,	George E. Sweet, *p.*	'90	'99	51	119	170	35	6	5		7	0	0	7	7	0
" Village,	1838	Wm. N. Hitchcock,	Rufus K. Harlow, *p. c.b*	'68	'72	61	138	199		1	0	1	3	4	0	7	1	7

a George R. Hewitt, associate p., '86, '99.

b Robert W. Drawbridge, asst. p., '97, '00.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Lowell, Pt.,	Charles A. Richardson,	225	146	180	111	75	0	0	114	51	10	0	73	323	0	8,325
" 1st,	Tilden B. Stevenson,	484	253	375	126	309	63	0	642	59	35	0	90	1,198	0	5,442
" 1st Trin.,	Clifford B. Carey,	690	345	600	190	105	71	23	103	51	43	5	285	686	0	6,917
" Eliot,	Edward E. Sargent,	390	231	300	193	167	12	0	1,116	26	33	0	300	1,654	0	6,368
" John st.,	William H. G. Wight,	115	70	125	45	114	0	22	77	32	5	0	148	398	0	3,034
" Kirk st.,	Louis Alexander,	m500	281	375	80	494	849	294	6,115	161	54	28	4,043	12,038	0	7,964
" High st.,	Albert L. Bachel er,	272	182	225	108	294	262	56	609	153	41	0	1,777	3,192	0	4,792
" *French*,	Emil Paignon,	50	35	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
" Highl'd,	Edgar A. Durand,	428	175	350	103	207	10	5	171	48	20	0	138	599	0	8,822
" *Swed.*,	Rev. Andrew P. Nelson,	55	45	25	38	0	0	5	6	0	4	0	25	40	0	950
" *Norwegian*,			30	14	0	26	4	0	18	0	0	0	162	210	0	170
Ludlow, Center,	Dea. G. D. Atchinson,	186	83	70	25	59	0	6	56	14	15	0	0	150	0	980
" Union,	Rev. Wm. A. Thomas,	125	90	120	30	53	0	10	22	0	0	0	29	114	0	1,500
Lunenburg,	Alpheus K. Francis,	90	55	72	16	5	2	2	12	6	2	0	40	69	900	950
Lynn, 1st,	Wilfred Barnes,	332	174	175	116	91	20	35	195	96	20	0	214	671	0	4,186
" Central,	Henry P. Emerson,	742	322	200	177	299	82	20	228	20	15	0	425	1,089	0	5,100
" Chestnut st.,	Charles G. Clapp,	156	112	143	98	42	16	2	82	3	5	2	289	441	0	2,148
" North,	Francis Haseltine,	209	133	225	90	101	24	10	110	101	16	3	159	524	0	4,467
" *Swed.*,	John A. Lindburg,	60	45	55	45	0	0	40	5	0	0	0	50	95	0	725
Lynnfield, Cen.,	George Hatch,	104	58	70	35	100	0	15	69	34	0	0	33	251	0	1,669
" 2d,	H. L. Richardson,	84	47	60	40	21	0	0	20	5	5	0	60	111	0	367
Malden,	Fred L. Cressey,	819	416		220	283	41	28	165	81	28	0	927	1,553	0	8,000
" Maplewood,	Frederick J. Smith,	315	172	225	95	29	35	0	64	35	0	73	123	359	0	1,776
" Linden,	Z. D. Crosby,	123	70	107	79	9	0	0	6	0	0	0	3	18	0	1,559
Manchester,	Albert Cunningham,	220	117	175	145	85	16	27	77	26	8	7	21	267	0	3,459
Mansfield,	William A. Copeland,	370	220	300	157	111	23	23	95	72	28	0	227	579	50	1,904
Marblehead,	John G. Broughton,	340	188	200	98	100	3	3	75	6	5	5	460	657	1,000	3,309
Marion,	Stephen D. Hadley,	151	67	110	38	78	2	32	123	103	2	0	47	387	0	2,605
Marlboro',	Dea. Elmer D. Howe,	297	229	290	122	293	65	30	270	183	33	35	589	1,498	0	4,047
" *French*,	Alonzo B. Davis,	30	20	16	25	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	173
Marshfield, 1st,	Charles R. Copeland,	140	51	100	36	80	7	8	30	21	10	0	15	171	0	1,024
" Hills,	Miss Agnes L. Sherman,	38	25	39	23	4	2	0	8	0	14	0	10	38	0	680
Mattapoisett,	J. C. F. Atsatt,	85	55	100	50	38	9	9	85	95	10	0	29	275	0	1,200
Maynard,	W. H. Gutteridge,	254	161	200	120	37	25	0	70	15	9	0	12	168	0	1,910
Medfield,	Richard E. Cole,	98	46	80	48	39	6	5	277	265	5	7	0	604	510	1,846
Medford, Mystic,	Charles E. Miller,	594	321	341	139	525	33	71	588	227	45	0	86	1,575	0	5,841
" West,	Dea. Wm. A. Andrews,	276	135	225	122	176	10	39	57	42	30	10	163	527	0	3,387
" Union,	Percy H. Hodgman,	237	139	130	99	69	15	15	76	21	6	0	40	242	0	947
Medway, West,	Carlos F. Kelsey,	95	72	125	30	27	0	0	9	0	2	0	0	38	0	1,466
" Village,	James T. Adams,	105	62	141	0	61	0	15	37	36	15	0	78	242	0	2,350

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Medway, 3d, West,	1886	Dea. M. B. Fuller,				8	23	31	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Melrose,	1848	Dea. Isaac A. Cochran,	Thomas Sims, *p.*	'75	'97	161	297	458	60	6	8	14	4	10	0	14	2	2
" Highlands,	1875	George A. Basford,	Burke F. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'93	98	231	329	45	18	12	30	4	6	33	43	10	13
Merrimac,	1726	Richard A. Sargent,	George L. Todd, *p. c.*	'87	'92	136	264	400	52	14	7	21	11	2	0	13	12	1
Methuen,	1729	Chas. H. P. Mann,	Charles H. Oliphant, *p. c.*	'76	'84	73	181	254	26	3	11	14	6	6	18	30	3	5
Middleboro', 1st,	1694	Augustus H. Soule, *a*	George W. Stearns, *p.*	'83	'91	55	104	159	25	0	1	1	4	1	0	5	0	3
" North,	1748	Dea. Percy W. Keith,	Charles L. Tomblen, *p. c.*	'77	'99	39	64	103	26	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
" Central,	1847	Henry W. Sears,	Rich'd G. Woodbridge, *p.c.*	'81	'93	113	248	361	43	11	5	16	7	13	1	21	5	6
Middlefield,	1783	Mrs. Harriet E. Smith,	Henry M. Bowden, *p.*	'86	'99	32	52	84	38	0	2	2	4	1	0	5	0	0
Middleton,	1729	Galen B. Howe,	Leslie C. Greeley, *p.*	'98	'98	32	74	106	6	5	4	9	0	2	0	2	3	0
Milford,	1741	Willard S. Wood,	Webster Woodbury, *p. c.*	'68	'88	69	206	275	54	2	9	11	11	3	1	15	1	0
Millbury,	1747	Dr. Albert G. Hurd,	George A. Putnam, *p. c.*	'60	'71	37	127	164	56	5	1	6	2	6	14	22	3	6
" 2d,	1827	I. N Goddard,	George P. Eastman, *p. c.*	'91	'91	43	128	171	37	0	0	0	5	8	0	13	0	0
Millis,	1714	Dea. J W Clark,	Albert H. Wheelock, *p*	'88	'93	28	73	101	30	1	7	8	7	4	1	12	0	7
Milton,	1678	A H. Tucker, Mattapan,	Henry S. Huntington *p.*	'66	'88	34	67	101	21	0	2	2	0	3	0	3	0	5
" East,	1843	Frank Kemp,	Andrew H. Mulnix, *p. c.*	98	'99	14	36	50	2	1	10	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monson,	1762	Mrs. C. C. Keep,	Franklin S. Hatch, *p. c.*	'76	'87	89	180	269	39	10	0	10	1	3	6	10	5	4
Montague,	1752	Sanford Marsh,				38	92	130	27	0	4	4	0	2	0	2	0	2
" Miller's Falls,	1872	Mrs. Laura A Giles,	Dorr A. Hudson, *p.*	'91	'93	14	44	58	14	3	5	8	0	0	0	0	2	2
" Turner's Falls,	1875	Frank N Conant,	Frank N. Merriam, *p. c.*	'92	'97	36	69	105	21	3	0	3	1	3	0	4	0	7
Monterey,	1750	Miss J. A. Townsend,	John Dooly,	'72	'98	31	72	103	33	2	1	3	5	3	4	12	0	2
Mt. Washington,	1874	Mrs. Cora E. Schult,				8	20	28	14	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	1	0
Nantucket,	1728		Walcott Fay, *p.*	'84	'97	1	99	111	0	2	1	3	1	2	0	3	2	1
Natick,	1802	Dea. Chas. H. Jones,	Frederick E. Sturgis, *p. c.*	'68	'84	212	455	667	136	21	6	27	8	5	3	16	16	15
" South,	1859	Miss Ada M Caswell	Irving A. Burnap, *p.*	'92	'97	25	42	67	20	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	0
Needham,	1857	Joseph Willett,	Ralph J. Haughton,	'91	'99	62	129	191	9	1	7	8	4	15	26	45	1	0
New Bedford, Acushnet,	1696	Dea. Fred. B. Hawes,	F. Lincoln Davis, *p.*	'93	'99	16	42	58	17	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
" North,	1807	William R. Chase,	John A. MacColl, *p. c.*	'83	'90	148	378	526	49	2	18	20	8	6	0	14	2	5
" Trinitarian,	1831	James C. Briggs,	Matthew C. Julien, *p. c.*	'72	'72	51	147	198	37	0	0	0	2	1	1	4	0	0
New Braintree,	1754	Dea. George K. Tufts,	Francis H. Boynton, *p.*	'64	'95	15	31	46	18	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	0
Newbury,	1635	Dea. John C. Rolfe,	Charles S. Holton, *p. c.*	'92	'97	36	100	136	13	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	1	0
" Byfield,	1706		David C. Torrey, *p. c.*	'92	'92													
Newburyport, North,	1768	Joseph B. Smith,	Elmer E. Shoemaker, *p.c.*	'94	'99	118	285	403	77	2	3	5	9	8	0	17	2	5
" Prospect st.,	1793	Charles R. Todd,	Myron O. Patton, *p. c.*	'93	'95	64	183	247	39	3	0	3	3	3	0	6	1	3
" Belleville,	1808	Charles A. Currier,	{ Daniel T. Fiske, *p c.em.* { Albert W. Hitchcock, *p.c.*	'47 '91	'47 '91	105	241	346	49	5	7	12	4	6	0	10	4	1
" Whitefield,	1850	Arthur B. Reed,	Frank G. Alger, *p. c.*	'86	'98	65	167	232	0	8	4	12	2	5	1	8	3	0
New Marlboro', 1st,	1744	Rev. Aaron W. Field,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.*	'98	'98	13	21	34	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
" Southfield,	1794	Howard A. Cook,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.*	'98	'98	18	32	50	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Mill River,	1871	Dea. E. W. Rhoades,	John B. Lewis, *p.*	'95	'97	22	41	63	5	0	0	0	1	0	4	5	0	0

a Eddyville. Miller's Falls, *see* Montague. Mill River, *see* New Marlboro'. Mittineague, *see* West Springfield. Millville, *see* Blackstone.
Neponset, *see* Boston. New Boston, *see* Sandisfield.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Medway, 3d, West				30		45	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	99	0	0
Melrose,	Frank G. Kellogg,	541	279	400	182	302	49	92	368	73	25	25	756	1,690	0	6,300
" Highlands,	Dea. Wm. W. Mason,	590	265	210	197	115	28	23	188	40	34	18	183	629	0	4,954
Merrimac,	S. A. McConnell,	331	177	231	126	36	0	15	36	0	1	0	26	114	0	3,107
Methuen,	Rev. Charles H. Oliphant,	213	112	175	40	178	73	18	8	71	19	0	422	789	0	3,000
Middleboro',	Augustus H. Soule,	150	63	130	55	133	17	18	90	19	25	15	0	317	0	1,200
" North,	N. W. Keith,	90	51	100	50	50	0	17	41	25	10	0	20	163	5,000	1,300
" Central,	A. F. Ryder,	321	191	325	101	362	0	27	122	32	9	12	282	846	0	4,376
Middlefield,	Wesley A. Olds,	80	39	55	50	27	3	3	12	9	3	0	26	83	0	976
Middleton,	H. Erskine Howe,	127	90	100	77	20	2	4	20	10	11	0	0	67	0	1,025
Milford,	W. B. Whiting,	297	155	293	84	172	80	58	49	75	52	0	734	1,220	94	4,500
Millbury,	Cora F. Woodbury,	86	58	92	41	137	15	23	46	52	25	0	225	523	0	1,888
" 2d,	George F. Chase,	139	91	128	40	257	119	44	100	40	22	0	24	606	0	1,825
Millis,	Evan F. Richardson,	m200	89	155	39	27	6	5	15	20	9	0	10	92	0	1,630
Milton,	H. B. Tucker, Mattapan,	185	66	113	43	174	30	0	48	78	12	0	19	361	0	1,700
" East,	Frank Kemp,	95	62	90	45	10	0	0	5	4	3	0	15	37	0	1,316
Monson,	Edward F. Morris,	277	126	215	76	301	48	52	165	87	35	17	58	763	0	3,400
Montague,	W. C. Cummings,	101	77	120	21	49	4	2	108	17	5	0	35	220	5,000	1,673
" Miller's F'ls,	Mrs. Laura A. Giles,	127	75	135	43	5	2	6	5	3	4	0	8	33	0	916
" Turner's F'ls,	Elmer D. Severance,	213	152	100	50	66	9	0	38	22	0	8	55	198	0	1,900
Monterey,	M. V. Thompson,	118	74	90	45	38	0	0	24	8	0	0	8	78	0	650
Mt. Washington,	J. T. Stocking,	20		15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	227
Nantucket,	Miss Charlotte A. Huxford,	130	62	110	46	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	20	22	0	0
Natick,	Henry C. Smith,	600	349	350	130	585	105	50	658	50	25	15	258	1,746	0	8,012
" South,	Rev. I. A. Burnap,	56	36	50	28	14	0	2	16	0	0	0	0	32	0	1,285
Needham,	Henry M. Walsadt,	125	95			170	0	7	0	0	0	0	15	192	0	1,450
New Bedford,	Daniel W. Kendrick,	72	42	100	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	19	0	1,500
" North,	Vinal F. Hatch,	524	246	325	75	677	23	26	537	62	29	123	1,176	2,953	0	7,429
" Trin.,	Clifton W. Bartlett,	300	200	300	37	140	0	0	388	41	23	0	836	1,428	427	6,316
New Braintree,	Dea. Horatio Moore,	50	23	52	27	13	0	0	13	33	10	0	3	72	0	760
Newbury,	William F. Humphreys,	182	116	210	70	87	50	25	223	64	25	17	53	544	0	1,986
" Byfield,																
Newburyport, N.	John T. Lunt,	300	120	265	60	85	11	14	134	73	7	0	0	324	0	2,865
" Prospect st.,	C. A. Bliss,	285	90	200	44	313	14	0	443	21	33	3	270	1,097	0	2,300
" Belleville,	George A. Dickey,	470		460	121	518	111	65	575	130	23	0	305	1,727	0	3,500
" Whitefield,	Samuel J. Hughes,	198	65	175	71	15	4	6	582	7	12	8	0	634	100	3,406
New Marlboro',	Henry R. Stevens,	32	16	30	25	1	0	0	10	2	0	0	7	20	0	325
" Southfield,	A. W. Chapin,	45	32	30	30	5	4	3	5	5	6	0	20	48	0	450
" Mill River,	Henry W. Keys,	78	38	90	40	20	0	0	27	4	7	0	2	60	0	860

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New Salem,	1845	Mrs. A. V. House,	Albert V. House, *p.*	'94	'94	30	40	70	20	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newton 1st, Center,	1664	**Edward L. Allen.**	Edward M. Noyes, *p. c.*	'83	'94	155	260	415	39	13	16	29	8	12	0	20	6	5
" 2d, **West,**	1781	Dea. Julius L. Clarke,	{ Henry J. Patrick, *p.c. em.* { Theo. P. Prudden, *p. c.*	'54 '74	60 '94	105	259	364	42	1	10	11	6	6	0	12	0	2
" **Eliot,**	1845	Louis C. Stanton,	William H. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'96	227	398	625	66	11	20	31	15	9	0	24	6	5
" **Auburndale,**	1850	Henry G. Hildreth,	{ Calvin Cutler, *p. c. em.* { Chas. M. Southgate, *p. c.*	'62 '70	'67 '95	127	249	376	81	6	10	16	1	14	0	15	1	2
" North,	1866	Reuben Forknall,	Henry E. Oxnard, *p.*	'94	'00	39	62	101	39	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	2
" **Newtonville,**	1868	Wallace C. Boyden,	Ozora S. Davis, *p. c.*	'96	'00	98	242	340	56	3	5	8	4	16	0	20	1	2
" **Highlands,**	1872	William A. Wood,	Charles E. Havens, *p. c.*	'81	'93	73	166	239	46	6	14	20	6	6	0	12	3	1
Norfolk,	1795	Lyman E. Ware,	Edson J. Moore, *p.*	'61	'85	17	38	55	19	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	2
North Adams,	1827	Edwin Barnard,	William L. Tenney *p. c.*	'88	'95	174	373	547	32	18	11	29	8	21	0	29	5	10
Northampton, 1st,	1661	William G Bassett,	Henry T Rose, *p. c.*	'70	'92	110	361	471	30	1	7	8	7	2	0	9	1	3
" Edwards,	1833	Dea. S. E. Bridgman,	Peter McMillan, *p. c.*	'81	'99	125	333	458	68	5	15	20	9	6	0	15	3	12
" **Florence,**	1861	Dea. Geo. C. Kellogg,	Elisha G. Cobb, *p. c.*	'60	'68	94	252	346	50	10	7	17	4	9	1	14	6	0
North Andover,	1834	Daniel W. Carney,	Henry E. Barnes, *p. c.*	'62	'93	105	184	289	80	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	4
North Attleboro', Oldtown,	1712	Miss Mary A. Mathias,	John Whitehill, *p.*	'61	'69	23	44	67	8	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	0
" **A. Falls,**	1874	Edwin L. Evans,	Zenas Crowell, *p.*	'77	'00	21	61	82	8	4	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	2
" Trinity,	1892	Dea. D. S. Hall,	Charles A. Ratcliffe, *p.*	'91	'96	22	64	86	10	0	0	0	1	4	2	7	0	1
Northboro',	1832	Miss E. J. Yates,	Albert D Smith, *p. c.*	'88	'96	29	77	106	25	0	6	6	2	1	0	3	0	0
Northbridge Center,	1782	Dea. Joshua W. Morse,	James H. Childs, *p.*	'75	'84	23	56	79	21	2	3	5	3	6	1	10	0	4
" **Whitinsville,**	1834	William J. Love,	John R. Thurston, *p. c.*	'59	'71	82	172	254	39	17	15	32	9	0	0	9	13	8
" Rockdale,	1879	H. A Robie,	[Augustus P Manwell, *Lic.*]		'00	14	37	51	5	5	3	8	0	4	0	4	4	3
North Brookfield, 1st,	1752	Arthur F. Thompson,	John L. Sewall, *p c.*	'82	'96	104	246	350	50	10	4	14	8	15	0	23	3	5
" Union,	1854	Mrs. J. F. Stoddard, E.B.	[L. W. Snell, *Lic.*]		'00	30	78	108	21	5	1	6	2	2	2	6	3	7
Northfield, East,	1825	Miss Mary T. Dutton,	Cyrus I. Scofield, *p.*	'83	'96	141	264	405	42	29	15	44	2	58	0	60	11	0
North Reading,	1720	Dea. Isaac A. Flint,	Eugene E. Colburn, *p.*	'75	'96	33	66	99	16	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	1
Norton,	1832	Miss Lucy D. Fozer,	Charles E. Harris, jr., *p.*	'94	'98	12	42	54	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Norwood,	1736	Herbert M. Plympton,	Charles F. Weeden, *p. c.*	'88	'95	94	148	245	33	5	4	9	3	10	0	13	3	8
Oakham,	1767	Dea. Jesse Allen,	Allen A. Bronsdon, *p. c.*	'97	'97	30	81	111	26	1	0	1	3	2	0	5	1	0
Orange, North,	1843	Rev. John H. Garman,	William Harris, *p.*	'76	'99	7	15	22	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Central,	1846	Frederic D. Kellogg,	Christopher W.Collier, *p.c.*	'94	'99	106	189	295	40	5	6	11	5	7	0	12	1	0
" *Swedish,*	1891	J. G. Blanquist,				42	44	86	8	0	0	0	1	1	2	4	0	7
Orleans,	1646	Orville W. Crosby,	Everett I. Rackett, *p. c.*	'94	'93	29	107	136	3	1	1	2	5	0	0	5	1	0
Otis,	1779	Mrs. Mary J. Somes,	Charles S. Bates,	'90	'00	18	42	60	17	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Oxford,	1721	Mrs. Emily J. Pratt,				41	125	166	34	18	3	21	4	1	0	5	12	1
Palmer, Thorndike,	1730	Charles F Smith				28	50	78	20	2	2	4	4	0	0	4	0	1
" 2d,	1847	Orrin P Allen,	Fosdick P. Harrison, *p. c.*	'94	'99	88	174	262	24	2	3	5	3	8	0	11	0	4
" Three Rivers,	1876	Dea. Albert S. Geer,	Charles Olmstead, *p.*	'83	'98	98	108	206	78	1	8	9	2	6	0	8	0	9
Paxton,	1767	William Brown,	George W. Clark,	'00	'98	21	64	85	20	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
Peabody, South,	1713	Peter J Frye,	George A. Hall, *p. c.*	'86	'86	81	216	297	63	2	2	4	6	4	0	10	2	10
" 2d,	1874	Miss Mary Tudbury,	Lewis J. Thomas, *p.*	'78	'98	20	64	84	9	3	2	5	2	1	3	6	2	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
New Salem,	E. F. Stowell,	75	40	85	14	7	0	5	9	5	0	0	0	26	0	835
Newton, 1st, Cen.	Charles E. Kelsey,	280	213	265	94	2,374	499	244	2,864	1,121	253	77	1,489	8,921	0	7,784
" 2d, West,	Charles A. Sanders,	289	229	243	58	1,716	154	374	1,655	1,002	190	26	1,452	6,569	0	6,865
" Eliot,	William E. Harding,	449	320	330	124	7,222	3,393	1,707	13,298	1,331	387	371	4,312	32,021	0	15,783
" Auburndale,	Colon S. Ober,	405	209	140	106	2,940	121	92	1,360	246	86	55	1,617	6,517	0	6,815
" North,	William E. Lowry,	120	70	75	75	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	1,400
" Newtonville,	Charles W. Davidson,	320	212	250	40	383	135	45	409	223	33	47	178	1,453	0	10,147
" Highlands,	George H. Mellen,	218	123	189	76	637	75	49	493	134	22	19	86	1,515	0	5,521
Norfolk,	Edward W Mann,	94	43	65	31	71	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	91	200	370
North Adams,	George W. Chase,	m475	355	425	60	390	66	38	492	79	0	88	595	1,748	0	10,050
Northampton, 1st	R. F. Armstrong,	176	135	360	90	1,548	191	123	1,062	752	50	0	461	4,187	0	10,150
" Edwards,	Charles H. Tucker,	375	213	420	50	625	0	44	238	160	36	0	150	1,253	0	6,237
" Florence	W O Sawin	205	149	200	100	28	8	11	28	42	18	13	247	395	0	5,359
North Andover,	George E. Hathorne,	220	156	140	65	25	25	25	118	37	20	0	155	405	0	3,155
North Attleboro',	Rev. John Whitehill,	115	70	98	36	13	1	2	9	7	10	0	10	52	0	1,265
" A. Falls,	Mrs F Gurney,	195	88	60	0	0	0	5	0	0	2	0	0	7	0	958
" Trinity,	Robert G. Semple,	110	53	75	23	28	0	0	26	65	28	0	13	160	0	1,447
Northboro',	A. Eugene Parmenter,	126	67	97	26	52	6	20	52	39	42	22	35	268	0	1,580
Northbridge C.,	Rev. James H. Childs,	157	57	94	48	82	12	11	62	12	20	0	10	209	0	900
" Whitinsville,	Arthur F. Whitin,	334	210	271	92	5,084	1,815	629	2,629	2,544	725	835	399	14,660	0	3,777
" Rockdale,	Dea. B. W. Brown,	97	72	60	57	34	0	4	36	5	4	3	22	108	0	7,559
North Brookfield,	George W Gerry,	291	176	278	152	1,428	59	30	234	262	35	13	204	2,265	490	3,029
" Union,	Dea. F. A. Smith,	112	56		40	20	118	0	265	0	22	85	400	910	100	3,300
Northfield,	Ambert G. Moody,	375	200	150	42	289	0	72	141	41	0	0	0	543	0	3,814
North Reading,	Arthur F. Upton,	122	57	100	60	10	5	9	10	2	2	4	7	49	0	1,221
Norton,	Arthur E. Sweet,	52	25	65	31	169	0	0	183	199	0	0	7	558	0	1,321
Norwood,	H E. Rice,	289	150	300	49	221	126	12	242	90	57	8	93	849	0	4,192
Oakham,	Dea. Horace W Lincoln,	100	70	125	40	5	0	0	20	13	14	0	50	102	0	725
Orange, North,	Henry N Frye,	40	25	22	12	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	8	0	56
" Central,	Landau H. Boutelle,	297	187	300	96	173	0	36	209	54	30	0	0	502	0	2,600
" *Swedish*,	Rev. J. M. Henrickson,	125	110	40	19	65	0	35	25	0	2	0	20	147	1,845	1,960
Orleans,	Freeman E. Snow,	117	65	130	32	33	0	4	47	15	10	4	0	113	0	1,262
Otis,	J S. Adams	m87	35	103	27	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	259
Oxford,	Dea. D Milton Howe,	137	63	135	23	159	11	30	136	83	18	0	46	483	0	2,000
Palmer, Thorn'e,	Joseph F. Davis,	79	50	76	57	24	15	20	0	0	0	0	40	99	0	1,435
" 2d,	L. H. Gager.	230	154	230	77	159	23	24	79	56	34	10	275	660	0	3,291
" Three Rivers,	James H. Trickett,	195	110	100	105	111	0	10	74	23	0	0	195	413	0	1,657
Paxton,	Clinton Parkhurst,	40	32	64		28	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	38	0	570
Peabody, South,	Alden F. Rowell,	318	276		110	489	217	43	198	107	21	0	297	1,372	0	4,620
" 2d,	William T. Wolloff,	110	68	100	35	11	0	7	0	8	5	0	29	60	0	1,000

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Peabody, West,	1891	**Dea F. K. McIntire,**	**Owen E. Hardy,** *p.*	'94	'99	13	32	45	15	1	0	1	1	4	0	5	0	0
Pelham,	1837	**Mrs. Lucy E. Tillson,**	[Homer C. Broughton,]		'98	4	8	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Packardville, Enfield,	'69	**D. O. Chickering,**	[Homer C. Broughton,]		'97	10	15	25	6	0	0	0	1	3	2	6	0	0
Pepperell,	1747		**J. Brainerd Thrall,** *p.*	'78	'97	83	171	254	42	10	6	16	3	1	0	4	8	0
Peru,	1770	**Dea. Jewett H. Geer,**	**Albert H. Plumb, jr.,** *p.*	'99	'98	18	30	48	22	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	0
Petersham,	1823	**Dea. Chas. K. Wilder,**	**Preston R. Crowell,** *p.*	'90	'97	3	23	26	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Phillipston,	1785	**Mrs. Lyman B. Smith,**	**Preston R. Crowell,** *p.*	'90	'97	20	35	55	20	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Pittsfield, 1st,	1764	**Dea. H. A. Brewster,**	**Wm. V. W. Davis,** *p. c.*	'77	'93	162	379	541	63	8	4	12	10	4	0	14	1	4
" 2d,	1846	**Mrs. Leah Gardiner,**	**Samuel Harrison,** *p.*	'50	'72	7	19	26	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
" South,	1850	**Frank E. Pearson,**	**I. Chipman Smart,** *p. c.*	'85	'85	180	294	474	25	11	11	22	10	3	0	13	10	4
" Pilgrim Mem.,	1897	**Levi D. Case,**	**Raymond Calkins,** *p. c.*	'96	'96	59	83	142	12	6	9	15	1	3	0	4	2	11
Plainfield,	1786	**Dea. S. W. Clark,**	**Alonzo T. La b,** *p.*	'93	'99	32	50	82	21	3	2	5	2	0	2	4	3	0
Plymouth, Manomet,	1738	**Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,**	**Haig Adadourian,** *p.*	'97	'97	19	36	55	10	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Pilgrimage,	1801	**Charles F. Cole,**	**D. Melancthon James,** *p.*	'87	'99	86	272	358	10	16	7	23	7	7	0	14	1	4
" Chiltonville,	1894	**Miss L. B. Nickerson,**	**Frederick B. Noyes,** *p.*	'90	'97	9	21	30	3	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0
Plympton,	1698	**Miss B. W. Sherman,**				17	54	71	24	0	0	0	1	3	1	5	0	0
Prescott,	1823	**Miss Delta P. Allen,**	**William S. Anderson,**	'97	'00	9	14	23	9	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	0
Princeton,	1764	**Miss Susie A. Davis,**	**Charles A. White,** *p.*	'73	'88	55	130	185	40	3	1	4	1	1	0	2	2	1
Provincetown,	1714	**Mrs. Mary N. Lewis,**	**Sidney Crawford,**	'70	'00	8	35	43	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Quincy, Bethany,	1832	**Ernest D. Gourd,**	{ Edward Norton, *p. em.* / Edwin H. Hardy, *p. c.*	'64 / '90	'74 / '95	129	244	373	45	10	15	25	4	5	0	9	9	2
" Wollaston,	1876	**Dea. Joseph W. Lovett,**	**Edward A. Chase,** *p. c.*	'84	'99	49	87	136	26	0	0	0	0	3	5	8	0	2
" Wash. st., Point,	1883	**Thos. B. Pollard, Q.**	**Edward Anderson,** *p.*	'58	'98	12	37	49	6	4	2	6	1	1	0	2	4	3
" Atlantic,	1885	**Wm. F. Cummings,**	**John H. Whitaker,** *p.*	'93	'97	21	47	68	6	0	9	9	0	2	0	2	0	4
" *Swedish,*	1889	**Charles V. Samuelson,**	**Chas. A. Bjornborn,** *p.*	'92	'95	51	85	136	0	14	0	14	0	7	3	10	0	19
" Park and Downs,	1897	**N. S. Sanford,**	**Fred. T. Knight,** *p.*	'97	'97	12	20	32	3	1	4	5	0	2	0	2	0	2
Randolph,	1731	**Wm. H. Leavitt,**	**Charles H. Hilton,** *p. c.*	'71	'93	48	125	173	35	0	1	1	1	0	3	4	0	1
Raynham,	1731	**E. B. King, Taunton,**	**Avery K. Gleason,**	'86	'00	12	34	46	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" North,	1875	**Willard M. Copeland,**	**Avery K. Gleason,**	'86	'00	7	22	29	5	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
Reading,	1849	**Frank W. B. Pratt,**	**Frank S. Hunnewell,** *p. c.*	'88	'98	128	327	455	82	2	4	6	10	7	0	17	0	4
Rehoboth,	1721	**Miss E. B. Pierce,**	**Charles B. Wathen,** *p.*	'89	'96	43	82	125	35	1	4	5	5	1	0	6	1	0
Revere, 1st,	1703	**George A. Dalrymple,**	**Walter S. Eaton,** *p. c.*	'91	'92	63	110	173	41	4	6	10	1	3	0	4	0	1
" Beachmont,	1881		**William J. Murray,**	'79	'00													
Richmond,	1765	**A. Granville Sharp;**	**T. Clare Luce,** *p. c.*	'85	'91	41	71	112	5	3	3	3	1	0	0	1	3	0
Rochester, 1st,	1703	**Dea. John S. Ryder,**				15	41	56	13	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
" North,	1753	**Dea. Geo. H. Randall,**	**Caleb L. Rotch,** *p.*	'79	'99	12	16	28	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" E., W. Wareham,	1887	**George P. Morse,**	[Edward J. Ruliffson, *Lic.*]		'99	31	47	78	21	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Rockland,	1813	**Joshua S. Smith,**	**Fred H. Allen,** *p.*	'74	'95	97	192	289	46	2	4	6	6	2	0	8	1	0
Rockport, 1st,	1755	**Dea. Calvin W. Pool,**	**Israel Ainsworth,** *p. c.*	'80	'91	46	156	202	22	0	0	0	6	3	0	9	0	2
" Pigeon Cove,	1874	**Mrs. Charles S. Hale,**	**Arthur H. Pingree,** *p.*	'98	'98	10	38	48	9	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
" *Swedish,*	1892	**J. M. Landergren,**	**Frank A. Lindholm,** *p.*	'98	'99	16	19	35	1	4	1	5	0	0	2	2	0	4
Rowley,	1639	**Benjamin P. Mighill,**	**David Fraser,** *p. c.*	'95	'98	44	119	163	30	15	0	15	6	0	0	6	9	0
Royalston,	1766	**Dea. Frank W. Adams,**	**Francis J. Fairbanks,** *p. c.*	'64	'93	33	70	103	30	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" South,	1837	**Mrs. E. Bodett,**	**James A. Bates,** *p.*	'00	'98	20	42	62	23	0	3	3	3	1	0	4	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Peabody,	A. W. Felt,	90	50	80	35	8	0	7	21	9	0	0	0	45	0	659
Pelham,	Horace C. Broughton,	15	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
" Packardville,	John Knight, Pelham,	40	28	20	8	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	106
Pepperell,	Lyman C. Blood,	269	145	185	73	91	44	19	194	99	16	0	125	588	0	2,267
Peru,	Edwin Shumway,	35	24	33	35	24	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	30	0	187
Petersham,	Augustus Skinner,	35	20	20	18	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	21	0	58
Phillipston,	Lyman B. Smith,	64	29	33	26	8	0	0	17	0	6	0	0	31	0	458
Pittsfield, 1st,	Rev. Cornelius Cook,	352	244	475	79	836	70	140	999	231	50	40	2,759	5,125	1,000	8,467
" 2d,	James Jacobs,	m70	25	20	38	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	275
" South,	Edward Tolman,	295	188	200	150	85	21	12	75	15	18	14	200	440	0	3,000
" Pilgrim M.,	Rev. Raymond Calkins,	250	142	130	49	40	2	4	13	8	2	2	90	161	0	1,680
Plainfield,	Dea. J. A. Winslow,	96	53	75	27	0	0	6	13	10	3	0	0	32	0	483
Plymouth, Man.,	Dea. Gideon H. Clark,	80	40	93	25	14	0	5	15	4	0	0	3	41	0	550
" Pilgrimage,	William B. Welch,	332	175	425	90	195	10	10	154	282	2	0	200	853	0	5,200
" Chiltonville,	Eugene Finney,	40	35	50	17	31	10	11	50	11	10	6	0	129	0	1,375
Plympton,	Dea. J. F. Ellis,	80	48	100	27	46	2	3	20	14	5	1	14	105	0	801
Prescott,	W. F. Wendermuth,	28	18	36	0	0	0	0	6	0	2	0	0	8	0	515
Princeton,	W.M.Roper, jr., E.Hubbardston	m172	70	152	35	291	80	19	105	137	11	0	164	807	0	1,750
Provincetown,	James E. Rich,	58	44	44	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	653
Quincy, Beth.,	Charles Sampson,	479	270	400	115	161	65	100	340	76	65	0	1,004	1,811	0	4,854
" Wollaston,	Charles A. Campbell,	216	109		40	136	154	172	215	57	25	0	252	1,011	0	3,168
" Wash'gton st.,	Charles H. Sherburne,	145	78	154	29	0	0	5	0	12	0	0	16	33	0	1,179
" Atlantic,	W F. Blake,	180	116	100	55	0	0	0	17	6	0	0	62	79	0	1,200
" *Swedish*,	Charles Leander,	136	125		35	240	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	340	0	1,147
" Pk. & Downs,	Levi H. Millbery,	171	84	117	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	8	0	1,204
Randolph,	M. M. Baker,	110	65		50	202	45	0	229	163	48	0	54	741	0	2,900
Raynham,		84	37	73	15	14	15	6	15	14	6	0	0	70	0	600
" North,	Dea. William Palmer,	45	26	71	12	2	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	7	0	217
Reading,	Albin K. Parker,	544	240	325	174	611	105	105	1,011	214	35	117	324	2,522	0	5,250
Rehoboth,	Henry T. Horton,	136	56	100	58	49	0	0	7	5	14	0	50	125	0	1,100
Revere, 1st,	F. Irving Weston,	180	95	200	100									0	0	2,500
" Beachmont,																
Richmond,	A. G. Kiltz,	200	78	68	73	102	0	0	37	0	13	0	50	202	0	1,700
Rochester, 1st,	Dea. George B. Haskell,	43	27	75	30	87	3	10	44	9	15	4	8	180	0	900
" North,	E. E. Reynolds,	33	25	30	20	0	0	0	9	8	0	0	0	17	0	278
" East,	Mrs. I. F. Barrows,	80	50	55	50	25	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	30	0	650
Rockland,	Clarence E. Rice,	387	151	270	75	55	7	10	55	30	15	15	155	342	585	4,124
Rockport, 1st,	Dea. Henry C. Davis,	213	116	220	80	66	7	20	62	11	23	6	140	335	0	2,130
" Pig. Cove,	Thomas Whigham,	60	40	70	40	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	10	20	0	550
" *Swedish*,	P. Johnson,	46	40	35	9	5	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	12	0	353
Rowley,	Willard P. Smith,	122	70	125	51	60	0	9	68	18	15	10	27	207	0	1,400
Royalston,	Frank W. Adams, M. D.	120	76	90	34	97	0	7	81	22	5	0	0	212	0	1,075
" South,	Dea. Alfred I. Richmond,	63	56	84	23	16	0	0	40	8	0	0	15	79	0	515

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Rutland,	1727	Dea. Wm. C. Temple,				73	99	172	49	0	0	0	7	4	0	11	0	0
Salem, Tabernacle,	1735	Dea. E. L. Woodbury,	DeWitt S. Clark, *p. c.*	'68	'79	82	297	379	35	3	9	12	6	8	0	14	2	2
" South,	1735	Charles H. Hayward,	James F. Brodie, *p. c.*	'82	'89	58	186	244	0	1	3	4	10	2	2	14	0	5
" Crombie st.	1832	Dea. Henry J. Pratt,	John W. Buckham, *p. c.*	'88	'90	49	158	207	33	4	1	5	3	1	0	4	2	1
Sandisfield,	1756	Mrs. Sarah J. Hawley,	George C. Bliss, *p.*	'95	'99	10	31	41	18	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
" **New Boston,**	1874	Hiram Bliss,	George C. Bliss, *p.*	'95	'99	11	33	44	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sandwich,	1638	Dea. S. R. Bourne,	Fred K. Ellsworth, *p.*	'98	'99	37	85	122	9	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	2
Saugus,	1732	Dea. John E. Stocker,	John C. Labaree, *p.*	'63	'93	15	48	63	18	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
" **Cliftondale,**	1888	Mrs. A. B. Smith,	W ShermanThompson, *p.c.*	'91	'96	30	90	120	16	6	15	21	0	4	0	4	3	6
Scituate, Center,	1639	Miss Mary F. Perry,	Albert Bryant, *p.*	'65	'99	24	59	83	10	0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	0
Seekonk,	1888	Mrs. James Knapp,	Hiram E. Johnson, *p.*	'59	'97	15	16	31	10	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sharon,	1741	Dea. S. W. Billings,	Almon J. Dyer, *p. c.*	'86	'97	39	88	127	12	0	8	8	2	1	0	3	0	1
Sheffield,	1735	Dea. D. Boardman,	Evarts W. Pond, *p. c.*	'95	'96	35	93	128	19	0	6	6	5	7	6	18	0	1
Shelburne,	1770	Dea. L. G. Alvord,	Joseph A. Goodrich, *p.*	'96	'96	62	117	179	17	3	1	4	5	4	0	9	3	0
" **Falls,**	1850	Charles H. Ball,	William A. Bacon *p. c.*	'95	'99	50	143	193	28	9	11	20	5	1	0	6	5	7
Sherborn,	1685	Mrs. D. P. D. Coolidge,	Edmund Dowse, *p. c.*	'38	'38	31	76	107	38	1	0	1	4	4	0	8	0	4
Shirley,	1828	Rev. Joseph Torrey	Joseph Torrey, *p.*	'60	'93	31	68	99	26	2	2	4	1	5	0	6	1	2
Shrewsbury,	1723	Charles O. Green,	Edward A. Lathrop, *p.*	'95	'95	23	81	104	5	4	4	8	4	1	0	5	3	0
Shutesbury,	1742	Nathanie A Briggs,	[Alfred T. Sadler],		'98	18	38	56	20	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0
Somerset,	1861	Rev. Jas A Anderson,	James A. Anderson, *p.*	'89	'99	11	31	42	20	0	2	2	2	4	0	6	0	0
Somerville, 1st,	1855	G. A. Southworth	Robert W. Wallace, *p. c.*	'72	'97	96	223	319	61	7	7	14	8	9	0	17	3	0
" Broadway,	1864	Frank E. Hodgkins,	Horace H. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'94	146	253	399	40	10	7	17	7	8	0	15	1	3
" West,	1874	A. J. Whittemore,	Eddy T. Pitts, *p.*	'82	'00	109	215	324	3	9	12	21	0	11	0	11	0	5
" Prospect Hill,	1874	John L. Ambrose,	Edward S. Teal, *p. c.*	'78	'84	128	233	361	0	9	9	18	7	6	1	14	0	3
" Winter Hill,	1883	Edwin A. Stone,	Charles L. Noyes, *p. c.*	'81	'83	78	155	233	12	6	7	13	2	1	0	3	4	10
" Highland,	1894	Frank L. Pearson,	George S. Anderson, *p.*	'91	'94	46	98	144	14	9	16	25	3	3	0	6	4	10
Southampton,	1743	Henry L. Parsons,	John Cowan, *p.*	'75	'97	53	101	154	30	2	0	2	4	4	0	8	0	1
Southboro,	1831	Henry A. McMaster,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'93	20	62	82	29	0	1	1	5	9	0	14	0	0
" **Southville,**	1865	Miss Annie E. Pearl,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'95	14	27	41	11	2	2	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Southbridge,	1801	Rev. W A Hadley	Willis A. Hadley, *p. c.*	'78	'97	74	129	203	48	2	9	11	2	6	0	8	2	3
South Hadley,	1733	Calvin Preston	Arthur B. Patten, *p. c.*	'94	'97	76	216	292	56	17	6	23	9	3	1	13	8	4
" **Falls,**	1824	Dea. Arthur S Chapin,	G. Walter Fiske, *p. c.*	'98	'00	74	180	254	72	0	4	4	3	8	0	11	2	0
Southwick,	1773	Edward Gillett,	Lyndon S. Crawford,	'79	'00	26	54	80	14	3	2	5	2	4	0	6	3	0
Spencer,	1744	Dea. Geo. H. Marsh,	Sherman W. Brown, *p. c.*	'93	'93	128	262	390	49	13	3	16	6	13	0	19	9	0
Springfield, 1st,	1637	A. L Janes,	Frank L. Goodspeed, *p. c.*	'87	'94	326	742	1068	177	21	41	62	18	18	0	36	10	9
" Olivet,	1833	Dea. J B. Roberts,	Edwin H. Hadlock, *p. c.*	'93	'99	80	224	304	42	7	12	19	3	5	0	8	1	1
" South,	1842	William A. Lincoln,	Philip S. Moxom, *p. c.*	'71	'94	144	333	477	95	1	14	15	7	7	1	15	2	0
" North,	1846	Ralph P. Alden,	Newton M. Hall, *p c.*	'91	'99	138	301	439	56	1	3	4	9	15	0	24	1	0
" **Ind. Orchard,**	1848	William Nield.	William T. Hutchins, *p.c.*	'76	'92	64	98	162	28	0	2	2	1	6	14	21	0	4
" Hope,	1876	George H. Munroe,	Samuel H. Woodrow, *p. c.*	'88	'98	225	436	661	54	10	40	50	3	20	18	41	4	14
" *French,*	1886	Henri David,	Thomas S. St. Aubin, *p. c.*	'93	'97	16	17	33	3	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	2	1
" Eastern av.,	1888	Dea. F. B. Miller,	John W. Conklin, *p.*	'76	'99	70	60	130	21	2	1	3	4	7	16	27	0	1
" Emmanuel,	1888	Rev. D. L. Kebbe,	David L. Kebbe, *p. c.*	'91	'95	19	57	76	11	6	8	14	2	8	0	10	3	2
" Park,	1899	John G. Woods,	Allen E. Cross, *p. c.*	'92	'96	59	107	166	15	10	14	24	1	3	0	4	3	4

Saundersville, see Grafton. **Saxonville, see Framingham.** **Scotland, see Bridgewater.** **Southfield, see New Marlboro.** **Southville, see Southboro**

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Rutland,	E. W. Ward,	175	75	120	60	55	0	0	60	15	5	0	0	135	0	1,250
Salem, Tab'cle,	Wm. A. Kirkpatrick,	505	321	312	152	542	1,391	30	667	185	130	32	2,297	5,274	0	6,400
" South,	William A. Mann,	306	212	244	65	512	0	38	587	154	12	0	1,338	2,641	3,500	0
" Crombie st.	Arthur F. Smith,	166	91	160	60	185	0	0	164	79	0	0	429	857	0	3,675
Sandisfield,	L. A. Hawley,	27	20	28	10	6	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	9	0	170
"	J. A. Northway,	45	20	70	29	0	0	6	8	0	0	0	0	14	0	200
Sandwich,	E. S. Talbot,	75	50	70	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,486
Saugus,	John E. Stocker,	130	78	85	40	91	14	0	77	26	0	0	75	283	0	925
" Clift'd'e,	Roland B Watson,	238	132	170	88	36	6	8	58	14	6	0	0	128	0	2,630
Scituate,	Rev Albert Bryant,	100	51	100	30	49	1	2	10	0	0	1	0	63	50	1,172
Seekonk,	David S Peck,	88	33	30	31	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	265
Sharon,	Dea. Sanford W. Billings,	165	91	100	65	36	32	11	147	34	16	0	80	356	0	3,129
Sheffield,	R F Little,	80	51	80	50	97	5	5	68	22	4	0	18	219	0	1,500
Shelburne,	Austin L. Peck,	160	89	85	45	150	20	46	74	81	41	4	84	500	0	1,565
" Falls,	C. A. Holbrook,	180	110	159	56	139	32	65	41	26	8	9	58	378	0	1,777
Sherborn,	Elijah C. Barber,	106	64	100	33	30	10	5	80	35	3	0	80	243	0	1,200
Shirley,	George Balch,	103	44	63	65	30	0	8	36	10	13	0	13	110	0	900
Shrewsbury,	David B. Rice,	140	63	125	60	77	0	0	38	35	0	9	88	247	0	2,200
Shutesbury,						25	0	12	25	0	0	0	13	75	0	300
Somerset,	F. A. Morrill,	61	39		20	15	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	568
Somerville, 1st,	Edwin S. Conant,	430	262	350	120	67	19	8	159	35	8	0	910	1,206	0	4,722
" Broadway,	Charles J. Hooper,	485	273	325	125	391	9	15	446	15	8	6	1,322	2,212	0	8,000
" West,	F. F. Phillips,	299	134	300	77	15	0	0	15	15	0	0	87	132	0	3,177
" Prospect Hill,	S. Gardner Higgins,	471	263		88	72	24	30	58	117	56	30	431	818	0	7,106
" Winter Hill,	John Herbert,	185	146	106	50	257	46	10	62	128	0	0	855	1,358	0	6,000
" Highland,	William H. Marshall,	271	150	200	40	32	0	0	35	19	0	0	144	230	0	3,010
Southampton,	Edward K. Parsons,	134	74	92	44	137	8	16	70	131	21	9	41	433	0	1,300
Southboro,	Henry A. McMaster,	75	42	50	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	56	0	1,500
" Southville,	Frank A. Pearl,	32	20	30	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	255
Southbridge,	Alva L. Hyde,	165	85	125	78	129	0	0	112	26	10	0	0	277	0	2,615
South Hadley,	Charles E. Preston,	195	119	200	74	746	16	20	218	195	19	11	237	1,462	0	2,320
" Falls,	August W. Hoffman,	236	173	150	60	177	75	15	300	125	11	13	150	866	0	2,800
Southwick,	W. B. Harding,	70	24	60	0	0	0	1	6	2	2	0	2	13	0	769
Spencer,	Victor H. Morse,	433	217	400	100	758	30	100	677	253	80	0	402	2,300	0	4,648
Springfield, 1st,	Milton A. Dixon,	927	409	1,004	135	1,494	4,927	51	4,393	1,279	156	67	2,159	14,526	0	10,400
" Olivet,	Charles Erminger,	164	107	220	92	380	9	7	135	19	46	12	167	775	0	3,719
" South,	George D. Chamberlain,	268	178	275	112	1,391	770	84	1,632	2,796	186	117	17,002	23,978	0	13,349
" North,	Walter A. Brown,	310	160	125	119	252	5	16	64	14	265	0	100	716	0	5,526
" Indian Orch.,	John Chandler,	221	123	150	107	74	60	0	39	15	0	0	232	420	0	1,400
" Hope,	Z W Kemp,	731	423	565	140	216	186	18	331	106	33	50	968	1,908	0	7,350
" *French*,	Rev T. S. St. Aubin,	37	23	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	430
" Eastern av.,	George W. Pease,	200	100	250	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	22	0	2,000
" Emmanuel,	J. W. Ewig,	196	123	100	59	5	5	0	5	2	3	0	0	20	1,173	1,935
" Park,	Charles A. Jacobus,	275	155	200	53	132	60	16	119	79	58	18	111	593	0	4,659

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Springfield, St. John's,	1890	William B. James,	William N. DeBerry, *p. c.*	'99	'99	37	71	108	4	1	2	3	2	2	5	9	1	0
" *Swedish*,	1891	Fred Anderson,	Gustaf Lindstrom, *p. c.*	'98	'98	22	44	66	3	7	2	9	0	3	0	3	0	2
" Faith,	1894	Arthur C. Eddy,				42	103	145	14	2	9	11	0	6	0	6	2	2
Sterling,	1852	Mrs. C. L. Kingsbury,	Joseph N. Haskell,	'00	'00	19	57	76	8	7	0	7	1	2	0	3	3	0
Stockbridge,	1734	Charles A. Bidwell,	Charles S. Rich, *p. c.*	'96	'96	72	143	215	34	0	2	2	7	2	0	9	0	5
" Curtisville,	1824	Edward L. Heath,	Edward C. Sedgewick,	'00	'97	30	40	70	6	3	1	4	2	6	1	9	2	0
Stoneham,	1729	Dea. O. W. Richardson,	Charles E. Beals, *p. c.*	'94	'97	91	208	299	76	11	6	17	4	7	11	22	7	9
Stoughton,	1799	Miss Mattie S. Sawyer,	Henry E. Bray, *p.*	'89	'99	39	88	127	30	1	5	6	1	2	0	3	1	1
Sturbridge,	1736	Dea. John F. Hebbard, *a*	Augustus M. Rice, *p.*	'73	'93	26	71	97	27	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1
Sudbury, South,	1640	Dea. F. F. Walker,	Clarence W. Rouse, *p. c.*	'90	'94	58	107	165	25	4	1	5	2	1	0	3	3	1
Sunderland,	1718	Miss A. T. Montague,	Edward P. Butler, *p. c.*	'74	'89	96	136	232	20	0	8	8	2	2	0	4	0	1
Sutton,	1720	C. S. White, Wilkinsonville,	John C. Hall, *p. c.*	'90	'91	42	101	143	45	0	2	2	3	4	0	7	0	0
Swampscott,	1846	Barnet W. Redfern,	D. Emery Burtner, *p.*	'90	'98	30	112	142	22	0	16	16	2	2	0	4	0	1
Taunton, West,	1637	Mrs. W. Chase jr.,	[Abram I. Bean, *Christ'n,*]	'92	'98	12	31	43	11	1	2	3	3	0	3	6	0	0
" Trinitarian,	1821	Dea. C. E. Wa ker,	Francis A. Fate, *p. c.*	'94	'98	80	193	273	38	5	6	11	8	2	3	13	2	2
" Winslow,	1837	Dea. Geo. W. Andros,	{ S. Hopkins Emery, *p.c.em.*	'37	'46	93	214	307	25	6	9	15	4	1	9	14	4	7
			{ T. Clayton Welles, *p. c.*	'72	'92													
" East,	1853	Charles W. King,	Halsh H. Loud, *p.*	'97	'97	20	49	69	0	11	3	14	3	5	0	8	5	3
" Union,	1868	Frank R. Knox,	Frank L. Luce, *p. c.*	'95	'97	50	153	203	25	4	3	7	5	1	0	6	0	1
Templeton,	1832	John M. Brown,	Gabriel B. Kambour, *p. c.*	'93	'93	28	55	83	20	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
" Baldwinville,	1874	Miss M. B. Raymond,	John W. Hird, *p. c.*	'79	'89	43	76	119	23	1	1	2	2	2	0	4	1	2
Tewksbury	1735	Mrs. E. J. Taylor,	J. Herbert Yeoman, *p.*	'77	'99	35	81	116	18	0	7	7	1	8	0	9	0	1
Tolland,	1797	Wellington F. Hale,				14	22	36	5	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Topsfield,	1663	Miss Ada J. Todd,	Herbert J. Wyckoff,	'98	'00	46	100	146	29	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	1	0
Townsend,	1734	Mrs. A. C. Josselyn,	Benjamin A. Willmott,	'96	'00	45	121	166	40	7	0	7	8	3	0	11	6	0
Truro,	1711	Dea. Daniel E. Paine,	George O. Thompson, *p.*	'89	'99	9	21	30	5	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
" North,	1840	Mrs. Benjamin Coan,				0	7	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Tyngsboro,	1868	Dea. John P. Coburn,	Sarah A. Dixon, *p.*	'97	'97	20	45	65	15	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	2	4
Upton,	1735	Olive M. Johnson,	Alexander Wiswall, *p. c.*	'79	'92	43	166	209	30	0	0	0	4	2	0	6	0	0
Uxbridge,	1730	Dr. W. L. Johnson,	Frank L. Bristol, *p. c.*	'75	'88	30	101	131	26	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	5
Wakefield,	1645		Albert P. Davis, *p. c.*	'94	'94	154	316	470	109	3	10	13	11	5	1	17	1	4
Walpole,	1826	Samuel E. Bentley,				50	133	183	49	0	2	2	4	1	12	17	0	2
" East,	1877	Miss Sarah E. Pettee,	Benjamin F. Perkins, *p.*	'65	'97	10	19	29	6	1	3	4	2	0	0	2	1	3
Waltham,	1820	J. Winfield Peugh,	Charles E. Harrington, *p.c.*	'74	'94	157	371	528	0	3	8	11	12	12	56	80	1	4
" *Swedish*,	1892	Sigfried Hall,	Carl A. Lundgren, *p.*	'93	'96	17	53	70	3	16	4	20	0	3	3	6	1	1
Ware,	1751	Miss M. R. Howard,	Edward L. Chute, *p.*	'80	'96	17	48	65	11	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	2	1
" East,	1826	Henry K. Hyde,	Austin B. Bassett, *p. c.*	'87	'91	144	324	468	71	8	19	27	12	9	0	21	4	16
" *French*,	1887	Rev. J. G. Knotter,	James G. Knotter,	'96	'98	10	11	21	5	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wareham,	1739	Miss Harriet E. Smith,	Charles B. Mitchell, *p.*	'98	'99	16	45	61	20	1	3	4	2	6	0	8	1	0
Warren, 1st,	1743	E. F. Wood,	William B. Oleson, *p. c.*	'77	'98	101	183	284	83	2	7	9	7	1	0	8	0	2
Warwick,	1829	Dea. E. C. Chase,	William Harris, *p.*	'76	'99	17	29	46	7	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
Watertown,	1855	Arthur Stockin,	Edward C. Porter, *p. c.*	'84	'89	106	218	324	48	16	8	24	5	4	0	9	10	0
Wayland,	1828	Frederick H. Fowler,	Benjamin C. Wood, *p.*	'94	'98	16	38	49	17	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	5

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CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Springfield, St. J.	Edward A. Treadwell,	87	54	55	105	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	3	8	0	812
" *Swedish*,	Mathilda Salem,	40	35	22	25	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	70	76	33	840
" Faith,	David Hale,	155	85	140	32	25	0	0	50	0	35	0	137	247	0	2,252
Sterling,	Arthur S. Wilder,	90	46		65	38	0	18	23	22	0	0	14	115	0	1,025
Stockbridge,	Clarence H. Perry,	67	37	90	37	148	0	14	153	104	19	11	171	620	0	2,743
" Cur.	Frank A. Palmer,	80	53	40	27	53	5	28	59	15	6	0	30	196	0	675
Stoneham,	James W MacDonald,	350	153	300	122	94	9	13	230	39	30	0	110	525	13	4,608
Stoughton,	John Comstock	263	112	170	73	28	0	0	36	23	0	0	90	177	0	1,478
Sturbridge,	John F Hebbard, Fiskdale,	80	48	80	27	97	10	11	0	115	7	0	0	240	0	1,325
Sudbury,	Francis F Walker,	123	66	46	42	30	9	9	22	147	11	8	30	266	0	1,644
Sunderland,	Frank O. Williams,	171	121	113	65	174	33	57	259	78	81	0	25	707	0	1,712
Sutton,	D.A. Brigham, Wilkinsonv'le	120	57	137	33	38	12	18	78	15	18	3	150	332	0	1,125
Swampscott,	Harold Childs,	190	104	212	55	125	9	14	104	50	13	5	50	370	0	2,350
Taunton, West,	Lewis P Luther,	50	30	60	35	21	0	0	0	19	0	0	10	50	195	985
" Trin.,	Frederick E. Austin,	322	150	260	127	347	195	38	274	170	35	0	867	1,916	0	5,533
" Winslow,	Carlton F Sanford,	m430	221	275	130	294	12	35	105	85	28	13	780	1,352	0	4,600
" East,	James W Richmond,	102	40	80	25	25	2	5	11	3	5	2	7	60	300	2,350
" Union,	William F Rose,	246	156	250	97	118	5	15	131	20	5	5	247	546	0	2,795
Templeton,	Moses A. Winch,	81	41	52	33	20	0	0	10	17	0	0	7	54	0	650
" Baldwinville,	H S Morley	m2	83	125	85	15	0	0	46	0	25	0	500	586	1,000	1,575
Tewksbury,	Irving M. Locke,	119	57	135	28	0	0	0	0	17	5	0	90	112	500	1,789
Tolland,	Mrs. Hattie E. Hale,	40	30	19	0	0	0	0	27	0	10	0	25	62	0	185
Topsfield,	Albert M. Dodge,	133	54	125	60	26	7	0	15	0	0	0	60	100	0	0
Townsend,	Albert S. Howard,	190	106	140	107	66	6	0	51	25	32	0	20	200	200	2,000
Truro,	John B. Dyer,	50	30	30	0	8	0	0	11	4	0	0	4	27	0	590
" North,	Miss Elisabeth C. Dutton,	45		50	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	25	0	600
Tyngsboro,	Mrs. M. L. Blanchard,	138	72	75	47	9	0	9	12	20	7	0	70	127	0	1,049
Upton,	A. P. Williams, W. Upton,	177	108	200	70	27	10	5	19	21	3	3	204	292	0	1,235
Uxbridge,	Augustus Storey,	230	156	173	75	37	0	17	61	22	24	6	26	193	0	1,717
Wakefield,	Augustus D. Dimick,	480	206	325	150	405	252	35	144	155	56	0	339	1,386	0	5,000
Walpole,	Gilman F. Allen,	200	122	140	83	127	13	26	332	37	72	15	0	622	0	1,685
" East,	J. Lewis Boyden,	93	49	100	19	14	0	0	22	25	10	0	0	71	0	672
Waltham,	Adolph S. Batchelder,	476	270	425	135	108	56	16	134	98	10	11	289	722	200	15,000
" *Swedish*,	Victor Landström,	35	30	20	38	0	0	5	6	0	0	0	31	42	0	1,057
Ware,	Rev. E. L. Chute,	90	45	55	26	34	3	7	17	14	6	0	17	98	0	580
" East,	William G. Hamilton,	425	295	328	125	834	2,402	89	1,117	304	50	0	1,061	5,857	0	4,950
" *French*,	Rev. J. G. Knotter,	16	12	12	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	10	0	100
Wareham,	John W. Freeman, Jr.,	110	68	100	39	25	6	0	0	6	12	0	0	49	0	1,214
Warren, 1st,	W. E. Patrick,	220	155	190	45	299	92	45	463	178	48	15	15	1,155	0	2,960
Warwick,	Dea. Wm. E. Blackmer,	55	42	39	28	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	8	0	525
Watertown,	Orlando W. Dimick,	226	118	175	60	6,551	80	0	438	133	0	0	692	7,894	0	3,175
Wayland,	William S. Lovell,	45	32	50	24	22	0	0	0	0	7	0	9	38	0	900

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City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Webster,	1838	Edward L. Spalding,	Andrew Campbell, *p.*	'96	'99	69	144	213	40	1	1	2	3	9	0	12	0	0
Wellesley,	1798	Miss G. A. Pomeroy,	Edward H. Chandler, *p. c.*	'92	'97	88	196	284	67	10	12	22	3	5	1	9	3	3
" **Hills,**	1847	T. Wallace Travis,	Parris T. Farwell, *p. c.*	'83	'95	37	87	24	14	2	2	4	0	5	0	5	2	4
Wellfleet,	1723	Dea. Thomas Kemp,	Egbert N. Munroe, *p.*	'81	'99	44	102	146	47	1	2	3		5	0	12		0
" **South,**	1833	Winslow Paine,				4	34	48	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wendell,	1774	Mrs. Ellen Baker,	Edward P. Seymour, *p.*	'92	'96	6	24	40	0	0	0	0		1	0	2	0	0
Wenham,	1663	Benj. H. Conant,	Morris H. Turk, *p.*	'98	'98	23	54	77	25	0	1			0	0	1	0	1
Westboro,	1724	Otis K. Newton,	Merle A. Breed, *p.*	'93	'95	7	249	366	78	3	6	9	12	12	0	24	1	4
West Boylston,	1796	Dea. E. B. Rice, **Greendale,**	Samuel A. Harlow, *p.*	'82	'96	29	62	91	26	0	0	0	4	2	1	7	0	1
West Brookfield,	1717	C. E. Smith,	J. Howard Gaylord, *p. c.*	'99	'99	51	138	189	26	0	3	3	0	4	0	4	0	0
Westfield, 1st,	1679	Rev. J. H. Lockwood,	John H. Lockwood, *p. c.*	'71	'79	5	364	479	66	2	8	10	7	1	0	8	1	3
" 2d,	1856	Albert E. Saunders,	William C. Gordon, *p. c.*	'89	'00	122	281	403	73	0	6	6	5	14	0	19	0	9
Westford,	1828	Leonard W. Wheeler,	Elijah H. Roper, *p.*	'97	'97	16	54	70	18	3	0	3	3	1		5	1	0
Westhampton,	1779	Dea. F. D. Bridgman,	William C. Scofield, *p.*	'51	'99	82	114	196	37	3	0	3	10	2	10	22	1	5
Westminster,	1742	James B. Wood,	John W. Lees, *p.*	'70	'85	47	101	148	25	3	0	3	2	3	0	5	3	0
West Newbury, 1st,	1698	Granville S. Goodrich,	Chalmer H. Cooledge, *p.*	'83	'98	39	75	114	12	3	1	4	2	0	0	2	2	0
" 2d,	1731	Miss Emily A. Bailey,					91	108	30	0	4	4	1	3	0	4	0	0
Weston,	1891	Mrs. Ella J. Fuller,	Frank J. Noyes,	'00	'00	8	13	21	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Westport,	1858	Mrs. Susan E. Gammons,	George P. Byington, *p.*	'68	'99		32	43	15	0	3	3	0	2	0	2	0	1
West Springfield,	1698	Dea. J. M. Smith,	[George W. Love, *Meth.*]		'00	35	75	10	25	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	0
" **Mittineague,**	1850	E. H. Shepard,	Alpheus M. Spangler, *p. c.*	'88	'88	95	144	239	62	1	3	4	3	2	0	5	0	9
" Park st.,	1871	Ethan Brooks,	William H. Webb, *p.*	'61	'98	54	119	173	20	5	6	11	4	0	0	4	2	2
West Stockbridge, Center,	1789	Mrs. H. A. Roberts,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'90	6	15	21	8	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	0
" Village,	1833	Cyrus W. Sprague,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'83	26	71	97	24	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	0
West Tisbury,	1673	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Royal C. Moodie, *p.*	'81	'99	32	75	107	21	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	2	0
Westwood, **Islington,**	1878	Marcus L. Haye,	Warren F. Bickford, *p.*	'76	'91	4	17	21	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Weymouth, 1st, **Heights,**	1623	Mrs. Chas. M. Taylor,	Robert R. Kendall, *p. c.*	'78	'91	23	63	86	20	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	1
" Old South, **South,**	1723	Alfred O. Crawford,	Henry C. Alvord, *p. c.*	'79	'86	34	102	136	34	1	0	1	5	2	0	7		1
" and Braintree,	1811	Miss J. McGregor, **E. B.**	Henry S. Snyder, *p.*	'85	'97	30	133	153	30	2	0	2	0	2	0	2		4
" Union, **South,**	1842	S. A. Vining,	Frank E. Butler, *p.*	'87	'96	47	122	169	30	2	2	4	5	1	0	6		4
" Pilgrim, **North,**	1852	Dea. Wilson Beane,	Thomas H. Vincent, *p.*	'89	'97	45	89	134	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
" **East,**	1860	Dea. Chas. B. Cushing,	Francis A. Poole, *p. c.*	'93	'99	90	153	243	48	0	2	2	5	2	0	7	0	1
Whately,	1771	Charles H. Waite,	William N. T. Dean,	'75	'00	52	91	43	41	0	4	4	7	4	1	12	0	1
Whitman,	1807	Benjamin F. Peterson,	Edward C. Camp, *p. c.*	'94	'99	82	182	264	39	7	13	20	4	0	0	4	5	1
Wilbraham,	1741	Dea. Francis E. Clark,	Martin S. Howard, *p. c.*	'56	'68	50	70	120	40	1		2	2	1	0	3		0
" **North,**	1886	Edwin W. Wall,				22	49	71	16	2	8	10	0	3	2	5		0
Williamsburg,	1771	Dea. H. W. Hill,	John Pierpont, *p. c.*	'88	'97	69	143	212	39	5		6	2	9	0		3	3
" **Haydenville,**	1851	Dea. Henry C. Smith,				39	99	138	20	0			2	5	0	7	0	0
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	Carleton G. Smith,	Willis H. Butler, *p. c.*	'98	'98	65	170	235	43		3	4	5	4	22	31		6
" College,	1834	Prof. O. M. Fernald,				10	9	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **South,**	1836	Miss Kate L. Torrey,	Joseph A. Fisher, *p.*	'79	'99	15	39	54	14	1	0		1	0	1	2		1
" White Oaks,	1868	Mrs. Mary R. Hunter,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*]		'98	30	65	95	21	2		3	3	2	0	5	1	3

West Roxbury, *see* **Boston.** **Whitinsville,** *see* **Northbridge.**

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Webster,	Ralph T. Larchen,	250	150	170	35	150	24	32	177	50	4	50	150	637	0	3,000
Wellesley,	Charles E. Fuller,	220	116	190	114	474	147	16	140	58	18	11	182	1,046	0	4,764
" Hills,	T. Wallace Travis,	123	80	138	40	1,012	7	7	354	333	7	34	70	1,824	0	3,174
Wellfleet,	Dea. Frederic W. Snow,	80	48	70	29	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	23	30	0	375
" South,	Miss Nettie S. Paine,	30	13	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	275
Wendell,	J. A Flemming,	44	26	45	31	5	1	1	9	1	2	0	0	19	0	858
Wenham,	Frederick F. Abbott,	154	70	140	68	54	13	0	20	0	39	28	4	158	0	1,028
Westboro,	Rev. S. I. Briant,	302	135	285	75	140	26	25	382	79	51	13	11	727	0	2,979
West Boylston,	Herber A. Holmes,	70	31	65	20	81	3	1	58	59	12	0	82	296	0	1,500
West Brookfield,	Dea. H. Weeden,	163	78	200	46	59	0	0	40	0	0	0	215	314	0	1,751
Westfield, 1st,	Charles B. Wilson,	480	308	350	43	652	119	19	587	129	34	17	4,235	5,792	0	6,438
" 2d,	Frank C Parker,	283	150	400	169	134	12	16	206	23	7	8	435	841	0	5,099
Westford,	Houghton G. Osgood,	65	54	76	39	103	5	11	26	45	6	0	7	203	100	1,193
Westhampton,	Henry M. Clapp,	152	84	90	40	1,168	70	8	76	76	15	5	32	1,450	0	1,276
Westminster,	Theodore S. Wood,	125	68	80	55	90	0	0	30	35	65	0	40	260	0	1,400
W. Newbury, 1st,	Annie L. Rogers,	101	61	80	100	19	8	5	7	7	10	0	25	81	0	645
" 2d,	Henry Hall,	175	44	158	0	34	0	0	18	0	0	0	52	104	0	1,059
Weston,	Mrs. S. G. Pennock,	26	14	25	15	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	10	23	0	600
Westport,	Mrs. Nancy A. Parris,	80	40	90	20	31	0	0	90	18	1	0	0	140	0	1,134
W. Springfield,	Harry L. Brown,	155	99	75	45	67	60	7	58	46	35	0	10	283	0	1,660
" Mittineague,	F O. Scott,	200	138	115	60	64	10	12	141	10	35	0	51	323	0	2,286
" Park st.,	Nelson Sherburne,	102	72	122	41	179	11	11	102	110	5	6	66	490	0	1,688
W. Stockbridge,	Mrs Norton Patterson,	24	15	25	0	2	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	12	0	285
" Village,	William A. Bartlett,	110	53	75	68	60	3	14	18	15	16	1	3	130	0	994
West Tisbury,	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	66	39	57	43	25	5	5	59	7	5	4	40	150	0	736
Westwood,	Rev Warren F. Bickford,	53	31	35	21	3	0	2	7	19	2	0	10	43	0	440
Weymouth, 1st,		80	45	70	25	86	5	13	26	20	19	0	53	222	0	1,893
" Old South,	Matthew R. Loud,	191	136	158	34	86	9	10	115	88	10	2	28	348	0	2,900
" and Braint'e	Ralph W. Loud,	154	96	300	61	38	0	51	58	142	19	0	115	423	0	3,400
" Un., South,	Walter L. Bates,	150	91	160	43	326	51	9	82	93	15	0	20	596	0	3,150
" Pilgrim,	Charles L. Seabury,	150	72	160	25	89	0	0	19	19	6	0	6	139	0	2,370
" East,	Charles A. Randall,	235	173	222	103	140	10	25	70	25	0	0	130	400	0	2,100
Whately,	H S. Higgins, E. W.	100	60	100	37	52	0	0	0	25	0	0	80	157	0	900
Whitman,	I. Lewis Tillson,	m592	239	370	128	36	10	7	137	20	41	0	187	438	0	4,397
Wilbraham,	Ethelburt Bliss,	85	62	75	32	35	0	0	19	41	0	0	20	115	300	1,519
" North,	Caleb B. Estey,	67	31	47	34	49	1	1	10	5	1	0	77	144	7,631	1,301
Williamsburg,	Frank C. Richards,	142	85	100	51	186	63	40	144	83	67	0	57	640	1,000	1,500
" Haydenville,	Percy Thatcher,	137	77	100	37	31	7	8	11	15	15	0	14	101	0	1,000
Williamsto'n, 1st,	George B. Waterman,	112	82	125	26	350	38	38	344	76	10	0	212	1,068	0	3,386
" College,						476	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	476	0	0
" South,	Leroy B. Smith,	100	62	80	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	322
" White Oaks,	Rev. William R. Stocking,	m108	64	116	83	24	0	0	16	2	16	0	11	69	0	214

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Dl.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Wilmington,	1733	Chester W. Clark,	Elijah Harmon, *p. c.*	'67	'85	30	70	100	9	1	2	3	3	1	12	16	0	3
Winchendon, 1st,	1762	Miss Lizzie E. Jones,	Gustavus W. Jones, *p. c.*	'69	'90	23	29	52	15	1	2	3	0	1	0	1	1	1
" North,	1843	Rev. Davis Foster,	Davis Foster, *p. c.*	'55	'67	71	170	241	0	13	3	16	7	3	0	10	4	2
Winchester,	1840	Rev. Edwin B. Palmer,	D. Augustine Newton, *p. c.*	'82	'89	178	335	513	53	15	11	26	12	14	61	87	3	12
Windsor,	1773	Howlett C. Cleveland,	George Sterling, *p.*	'74	'97	13	22	35	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Winthrop,	1896	William H. Gardner,	James J. Goodacre,	'97	'00	11	36	47	22	1	2	3	0	5	0	5	1	0
Woburn,	1642	Dea. Oliver F. Bryant,	Daniel March, *p. c., em.* '45 '76 Doremus Scudder, *p. c.* '85 '95			198	395	593	85	22	6	28	11	15	2	28	18	10
" North,	1849	Dr. J. P. Bixby,	George H. Tilton, *p. c.*	'73	'96	48	88	136	22	2	2	4	0	5	0	5	2	0
" *Scandinavian*,	1884	Carl A. Gustafson,	Ludwig Akeson, *p. c.*	'95	'99	31	43	74	6	4	0	4	1	3	2	6	0	8
" Montvale,	1892	Dea. Wm. H. Huber,	Wolcott Calkins, *p.*	'62	'98	9	17	26	2	1	3	4	0	6	1	7	0	0
Worcester, 1st,	1719	Monroe Murphy,	Arcturus Z. Conrad, *p. c.*	'85	'90	340	680	1020	0	29	54	83	9	14	0	23	20	12
" Central,	1820	William H. Sanford,				135	286	421	32	6	11	17	11	9	0	20	5	5
" Union,	1836	Charles H. Sibley,	John E. Tuttle, *p. c.*	'83	'96	223	530	753	147	15	36	51	17	17	0	34	8	8
" Summer st.,	1865	Robert A. Stewart,	Orange C. Bailey, *p*	'85	'95	39	54	93	0	8	5	13	2	6	22	30	4	3
" Plymouth,	1869	Frank E. Stimpson,				272	480	752	0	14	15	29	17	17	0	34	9	12
" Piedmont,	1872	Dr. H. L. Wheeler,	Willard Scott, *p. c.*	'79	'98	259	474	733	112	47	48	95	8	23	17	48	28	11
" *Swedish*, 1st,	1880	Victor Sohlberg,	August L. Anderson, *p.*	'86	'94	152	199	351	11	15	6	21	0	8	14	22	0	15
" Pilgrim,	1885	O. R. Cook,	Alexander Lewis, *p. c.*	'90	'96	207	449	656	22	42	34	76	3	16	8	27	22	8
" Park,	1887	Charles M. Smith,	Truman L. Willcox, *p. c.*	'89	'91	64	168	232	56	5	5	10	3	3	0	6	5	0
" Covenant,	1889	Miss E. Dewey,	John E. Hurlbut, *p.*	'75	'90	28	62	90	19	7	2	9	0	4	4	8	5	1
" Hope,	1889	Robert Hamill,	Ellsworth W. Phillips, *p. c.*	'91	'91	71	137	208	15	18	5	23	2	2	0	4	5	5
" Lake View,	1890	Miss C. Ethel Reed,	John H. Matthews, *p.*	'91	'97	22	43	65	17	2	3	5	2	4	0	6	2	0
" Bethany,	1891	Louis A. Spaulding,	Albert G. Todd, *p.*	'90	'93	30	74	104	30	1	6	7	2	0	0	2	1	4
" *Armenian*,	1892	Bagdasar Bogigian,	[Hachadoor G. Benneyan, *Lic.*]		'96	22	11	33	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
" Immanuel,	1893	Dea. Chas. H. Putnam,	George S. Dodge, *p. c.*	'72	'94	49	69	118	28	2	2	4	1	1	0	2	0	4
" *Swedish*, 2d,	1895	Peter J. Johnson,	John Udd, *p.*	'96	'96	77	100	177	0	16	4	20	1	3	1	5	0	10
" Adams Sq.,	1898	Charles S. Robbins,	John E. Dodge, *p.*	'83	'97	48	77	125	0	1	31	32	1	0	0	1	1	3
Worthington,	1771	Miss Estelle Cole,	Melvin J. Allen, *p.*	'82	'99	39	98	137	32	2	4	6	5	2	5	12	2	0
Wrentham,	1692	Nathan H. Fales,	William J. Minchin, *p.*	'96	'99	43	119	162	22	5	3	8	3	7	0	10	4	5
Yarmouth,	1639	A. H. Eldridge, 2d, Y.P.	John J. Walker, *p. c.*	'94	'97	25	107	132	30	2	4	6	2	0	0	2	1	1
" West,	1840	Miss Abbie B. Crowell,	Edgar C. Wheeler, *p.*	'96	'99	7	8	15	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Wollaston, *see* Quincy. Woods Holl, *see* Falmouth.

CHANGES from last *Year-Book's* list of churches: *Added*, — Arlington Heights; Belmont, Plymouth. *Omitted*, — Lakeville, Union Grove; Warren, West; Worcester, Belmont.

CHURCHES: 275 with pastors installed by council; 258 with pastors otherwise inducted; 9 with supplies; 58 vacant (including 22 supplied by licentiates or ministers of other denominations). Total, 600.

MINISTERS: 282 pastors installed by council; 256 pastors otherwise inducted; 9 supplies; 280 others. Total, 827.

CHURCH MEMBERS: 35,438 males; 77,528 females. Total, 112,966, including 18,262 absent. Loss, 578.

ADDITIONS: 2,703 by confession; 2,719 by letter. Total, 5,422.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Wilmington,	William A. Rogers,	175	90	100	28	8	15	6	24	14	4	4	24	99	0	1,300
Winchendon, 1st,	James E. Teel,	50	38	50	25	52	0	0	35	18	0	0	12	117	0	570
" North,	Franklin A. Park,	301	176	190	66	407	10	38	237	105	80	0	326	1,203	0	2,737
Winchester,	William R. Freethy,	450	200	355	87	1,544	83	166	1,228	447	149	394	1,797	5,808	0	7,758
Windsor,	Curtis B. Goodell,	60	41	80	49	12	0	6	14	9	2	0	2	45	0	230
Winthrop,	M. C. Barnard,	90	60		10	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	10	17	0	700
Woburn,	John R. Carter,	728	369	612	138	1,142	154	142	511	165	146	12	442	2,714	1,374	7,547
" North,	Dea. Benjamin F. Kimball,	264	117	120	100	51	9	10	15	19	15	4	29	152	0	1,685
" *Scand.*,	Rev. Ludwig Akeson,	111	64	35	31	9	0	49	9	5	5	0	148	225	0	1,052
" Montvale,	Dea. William H. Huber,	70	39	59	57	1	1	1	47	1	1	1	17	70	0	436
Worcester, 1st,	Waldo Lewis,	800	496	895	250	451	80	42	1,078	248	30	73	728	2,730	1,000	13,733
" Central,	Clinton Alvord,	438	250	400	75	453	559	455	1,316	467	79	11	147	3,487	0	9,175
" Union,	Albert B. Kimball,	608	320	525	90	986	3,748	132	2,286	980	81	76	3,000	11,289	141,530	15,360
" Summer st.,	A. L. Whipple,	129	93	74	31	0	0	0	0	15	5	0	15	35	0	1,925
" Plymouth,	Paul B. Morgan,	547	320	400	70	1,286	115	221	1,123	430	50	0	1,111	4,338	0	11,000
" Piedmont,	Elmer C. Potter,	730	341	630	94	1,483	1,955	3,194	2,115	178	483	19	6,970	16,397	0	14,908
" *Swed.*, 1st,	Eric Ljungquist,	466	350			0	0	5	30	0	0	0	361	396	0	3,750
" Pilgrim,	B. F. Joslyn,	733	440	600	97	255	290	25	873	46	21	30	382	1,922	0	25,000
" Park,	Charles M. Smith,	275	136	250	80	52	6	2	83	12	4	0	27	186	0	8,100
" Covenant,	Jerome M. Stone,	200	79	0	20	4	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	44	0	1,100
" Hope,	Frank A. Thompson,	316	210	225	120	174	46	73	104	10	10	25	162	604	50	2,430
" LakeView,	Rev. John H. Matthews,	157	85	100	95	0	0	0	24	0	0	0	6	30	0	1,350
" Bethany,	Mrs. Albert G. Todd,	158	76	80	50	0	0	0	7	68	0	0	7	82	0	1,581
" *Armenian*,	Stephen P. Proodian,		30	40	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	70	0	700
" Immanuel,	Edwin Batty,	189	119	165	65	98	10	7	90	30	0	0	27	262	0	1,200
" *Swed.*, 2d,	Carl A. Norgren, Sta. C.,	273	225		35	50	0	0	20	0	7	0	3	80	0	4,196
" Adams Sq.,	Eugene Van De Mark,	m235	136	135	39	9	15	0	13	0	0	0	7	44	0	3,716
Worthington,	Milo Bates, Ringville,	143	53	90	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500	800
Wrentham,	Nathan H. Fales,	157	81	125	86	87	0	16	132	10	12	9	258	524	0	1,903
Yarmouth,	A. H. Eldridge, 2d, Y. Port.,	70	46	140	35	46	10	10	88	70	16	10	14	264	0	1,282
" West,	Dea. Isaiah Crowell,	28	20	25	0	10	0	3	6	2	0	0	9	30	0	635

REMOVALS: 1,967 by death; 2,425 by dismissal; 1,241 by discipline. Total, 5,633.

BAPTISMS: 1,225 adult; 1,774 infant.

IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 115,211. Loss, 5,370. Average, 67,615.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Number, 522; 34,875 members.

FAMILIES: 561 churches reporting (552 last year), 89,150. Gain, 2,053.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: 579 churches reporting (580 last year): Foreign, $141 968; Education, $51,294; Church Building, $18,725; Home, $162,162; A. M. A., $44,946; Sunday School, $13,551; Ministerial Aid, $6,351; Other, $221,042. Total, $660,039. Increase, $101,914.

BENEVOLENT LEGACIES: $224,486.

HOME EXPENDITURES: 575 churches reporting (575 last year), $1,654,966. Increase, $73,196.

ORGANIZATION: Twenty-five Conferences, united in THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

SUMMARIES.

THE CONFERENCES.		CHURCHES.					MEMBERS.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPTISMS.	
Name.	Year of Organization.	Churches.	With P. C.'s	With P.'s	With other Supplies.	Unsupplied.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.
Andover,	1859	29	22	5(+1)	0	2	2,119	4,816	6,935	1,612	155	149	304	120	133	46	299	61	141
Barnstable,	1828	23	3	15	0	5	381	1,159	1,540	272	20	31	51	33	18	8	59	19	16
Berkshire, N.,	1867	18	8	7	0	3	1,155	2,279	3,434	423	87	55	142	58	50	39	147	38	56
" S.,	1860	19	4	10(−2)	0	5	652	1,421	2,073	413	36	32	68	56	34	74	164	16	41
Brookfield,	1821	21	11	9	0	1	946	2,113	3,059	639	52	75	127	65	67	7	139	26	58
Essex, N.,	1828	27	20(+1)	4	0	3	1,526	3,706	5,232	697	103	61	164	86	54	8	148	62	46
" S.,	1827	37	20	12	1	4	1,648	4,535	6,183	891	83	107	190	107	113	13	233	47	85
Franklin,	1843	29	2	23	1	3	1,241	2,370	3,611	566	96	85	181	72	119	18	209	52	35
Hampden,	1850	47	31	13(−1)	0	3	3,147	6,514	9,661	1,635	223	283	506	155	199	108	462	85	142
Hampshire,	1865	17	7	10	0	0	1,080	2,515	3,595	534	88	52	140	69	65	30	164	53	48
" E.,	1860	16	4	10	0	2	997	1,725	2,722	651	47	34	81	61	67	16	144	29	25
Mendon,	1858	12	4	7	0	1	596	1,545	2,141	401	47	44	91	58	40	16	114	27	45
Middlesex, S.,	1828	21	12	8	1	0	1,176	2,625	3,801	791	60	105	165	58	82	20	160	33	52
" Union,	1853	23	9	12	1	1	1,208	2,434	3,642	713	85	66	151	77	92	14	183	45	41
Norfolk,	1827	37	16(+1)	19	0	2	1,929	4,226	6,155	851	199	143	342	94	96	70	260	90	99
Old Colony,	1856	16	4	10	0	2	601	1,469	2,070	331	22	44	66	36	38	12	86	11	28
Pilgrim,	1830	14	1	8	0	5	271	765	1,036	138	24	18	42	25	30	1	56	5	10
Suffolk, N.,	1861	29	19	7	1	2	2,646	5,765	8,411	1,256	268	283	551	122	221	21	364	79	179
" S.,	1860	28	16(+1)	10	0	2	2,414	5,342	7,756	1,488	216	242	458	110	223	40	373	69	169
" W.,	1873	26	17(+3)	6	1	2	2,878	5,756	8,634	711	199	232	431	112	226	378	716	65	105
Taunton,	1849	24	9	12	1	2	977	2,316	3,293	494	65	56	121	62	50	23	135	27	53
Woburn,	1848	23	14(+1)	8	0	1	1,897	3,944	5,841	986	132	135	267	101	144	187	432	67	106
Worcester,	1852	31	9	17	0	5	2,694	5,265	7,959	966	301	290	591	140	170	76	386	154	140
" N.,	1827	16	6	9	0	1	609	1,299	1,908	308	59	53	112	43	31	0	74	42	9
" S.,	1828	16	7	7	1	1	635	1,608	2,243	485	35	42	77	47	63	16	126	22	45
Associated with R. I.,		1	0	0	1	0	15	16	31	10	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Total,		600	275(+7)	258(−2)	9	58	35,438	77,528	112,766	18,262	2,703	2,719	5,422	1,967	2,425	1,241	5,633	1,225	1,774

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Name.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Church Building.	Home Missions.	Am. Mis. Association.	Sunday Schools.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Andover,	$4,145	$6,161	$709	$12,219	$1,879	$660	$59	$10,617	$36,449	$1,000	$94,711
Barnstable,	390	47	64	610	205	104	25	290	1,735	35	20,427
Berkshire, N.,	5,071	1,562	435	4,452	1,069	266	332	4,617	17,804	1,000	44,613
" S.,	2,009	122	196	1,831	587	236	45	2,058	7,084	0	22,174
Brookfield,	4,265	2,946	379	3,641	1,471	410	130	2,592	15,834	3,936	36,173
Essex, N.,	2,472	435	232	3,596	975	325	128	2,867	11,030	2,100	54,158
" S.,	5,097	2,242	607	5,087	1,708	554	294	8,960	24,549	5,000	80,006
Franklin,	1,992	277	739	1,939	734	346	39	861	6,927	11,668	38.140
Hampden,	8,292	6,791	708	15,299	5,508	1,282	639	52,139	90,658	14,337	132,914
Hampshire,	4,499	484	411	2,648	1,628	322	63	1,329	11,384	12,500	40,166
" E.,	2,969	440	182	1,526	798	166	77	651	6,809	0	18,923
Mendon,	994	159	170	1 026	638	219	41	1,747	4,994	3,454	24,771
Middlesex, S.,	3,787	683	292	3,389	1,284	317	125	4,158	14,035	3,182	51,078
" Union,	2,353	2,315	286	2,954	960	340	64	1,911	11,193	2,550	43,020
Norfolk,	3,810	1,021	634	4,550	1,476	699	150	7,813	20,153	1,085	111,963
Old Colony,	1,695	70	134	1,943	421	140	158	2,445	7,006	427	31,480
Pilgrim,	607	46	53	428	356	90	18	301	1,899	550	16,295
Suffolk, N.,	10,423	782	394	10,433	2,340	461	128	43,070	68,031	200	126,255
" S.,	12,149	3,616	1,024	15,256	3,981	1,017	237	5,462	42,742	800	113,639
" W.,	40,851	5,632	3,590	39,716	7,369	2,330	1,709	34,233	135,430	200	171,735
Taunton,	3,830	5,299	1,357	9,229	1,354	443	24	9,153	30,689	5,495	51,718
Woburn,	5,803	893	898	5,075	1,779	696	667	5,743	21,554	11,387	86,260
Worcester,	6,856	7,049	4,298	10,476	3,063	959	281	14,059	47,041	142,580	188,468
" N.,	1,197	158	69	1,088	446	230	0	2,515	5,703	1,000	21,829
" S.,	6,412	2,064	852	3,751	2,917	949	918	1,441	19,304	0	33,765
Associated with R. I.,	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	265
Total,	$141,968	$51,294	$18,725	$162,162	$44,946	$13,551	$6,351	$221,042	$660,039	$224,486	$1,654,966

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Name.	Members.	Av. Attendance.	Families.	Y. P. S. C. E.	
				No.	Mem's.
Andover	6,702	3,969	5,257	26	2,146
Barnstable	1,526	891	1,508	17	638
Berkshire, N.	3,338	2,122	2,595	15	1,065
" S.	1,689	1,040	1,476	16	740
Brookfield	3,183	1,750	2,504	18	1,033
Essex, N.	5,230	2,616	5,032	22	1,574
" S.	8,341	4,754	5,283	35	2,642
Franklin	3,564	2,201	2,808	27	1,035
Hampden	9,397	5,443	7,382	40	2,530
Hampshire	2,699	1,602	2,392	17	875
" E.	1,815	1,129	1,486	13	698
Mendon	2,095	1,166	1,804	10	676
Middlesex, S.	3,313	1,966	3,713	19	1,118
" Union	3,580	1,842	2,469	22	1,458
Norfolk	8,758	4,759	6,198	3	2,579
Old Colony	2,287	1,333	2,100	14	668
Pilgrim	1,301	733	1,382	13	491
Suffolk, N.	10,132	5,588	6,634	27	2,595
" S.	10,090	5,623	6,102	25	2,596
" W.	1,728	3,666	3,725	19	1,613
Taunton	3,992	2,320	2,643	21	1,231
Woburn	7,453	3,704	4,990	23	2,370
Worcester	8,371	4,806	5,982	29	1,919
" N.	2,072	1,108	1,583	15	670
" S.	2,467	1,451	2,074	15	884
Associated with Rhode Island	88	33	30	1	31
Total	115,211	67,615	89,152	522	35,875

SUMMARIES OF CHANGES DURING THE YEARS MENTIONED.

YEARS.	Churches.				Ministers.								Sabbath Schools.		Benevolent Contributions.	
	Number		Members.		The Pastorate					Deaths.						
	New.	Dropped.	Gain.	Loss.	Ordained.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Died.	Ordained without Installation	Pastors by C.	Pastors.	Others.	Gain.	Loss.	Increase.	Decrease.
1900	2	3	—	578	8	24	20	2	10	2	1	18	—	5,370	$101,914	—
1899	3	0	583	—	7	24	15	4	12	4	1	9	—	3,666	—	$51,348
1898	7	2	1,738	—	6	21	12	2	15	2	2	11	2,690	—	—	49,078
1897	6	2	1,044	—	11	24	23	0	12	0	2	27	3,410	—	—	37,710
1896	1	1	705	—	10	25	22	1	16	1	3	18	52	—	65,015	—
1895	5	3	1,950	—	8	21	17	1	26	1	3	22	422	—	—	44,638
1894	8	0	1,581	—	15	35	30	2	15	2	1	15	1,429	—	—	176,171
1893	8	2	629	—	9	22	20	0	12	0	1	7	—	995	194,507	—
1892	9	1	1,655	—	21	24	24	2	8	2	1	11	—	1,404	—	17,737
1891	6	2	1,999	—	11	24	17	2	9	2	0	10	1,914	—	17,206	—
1890	5	1	1,190	—	17	29	24	2	5	2	3	13	1,849	—	16,902	—
1889	17	0	2,461	—	4	32	20	2	12	2	4	11	934	—	20,449	—
1888	6	2	1,295	—	10	24	25	2	2	2	2	16	2,410	—	—	28,871 35
1887	1	2	1,425	—	12	22	39	3	4	3	0	7	1,048	—	110,514 49	—
1886	4	2	1,262	—	11	18	22	0	1	0	1	7	588	—	—	4,394 72
1885	3	1	3,375	—	8	33	31	2	3	2	0	11	3,355	—	100,919 45	—
1884	3	2	—	1,945	9	28	26	3	3	3	1	12	1,816	—	23,341 82	—
1883	0	1	957	—	15	26	27	5	3	5	1	13	2,941	—	137,601 71	—
1882	4	0	1,276	—	6	14	11	6	3	1	0	5	—	10,999	—	41,877 74
1881	2	1	—	1,477	15	31	26	3	4	3	3	14	5,232	—	45,231 77	—
1880	2	4	—	348	12	28	32	7	3	7	0	12	655	—	22,000 27	—
1879	1	2	319	—	15	28	36	2	9	2	1	18	—	349	15,170 77	—
1878	4	1	3,995	—	13	35	43	2	6	2	0	10	3,723	—	—	75,297 55
1877	7	2	2,519	—	7	25	48	5	7	5	2	8	754	—	—	16,274 77
1876	4	0	787	—	9	29	47	4	14	4	1	10	—	1,119	—	15,929 92
1875	11	2	1,688	—	11	19	37	2	4	2	*	8	4,514	—	22,705 17	—
1874	3	2	1,015	—	10	33	34	11	6	11		11	2,150	—	—	42,248 83
1873	6	2	11	—	21	33	36	6	4	6		13	—	687	—	2,119 87
1872	2	0	870	—	10	43	39	7	3	7		13	332	—	98,649 52	—
1871	2	3	517	—	9	43	53	3	5	3		5	—	2,293	2,010 21	—
1870	6	4	9	—	16	25	46	9	5	9		14	—	700	37,726 82	—
1869	7	3	531	—	17	42	50	2	3	2		15	404	—	Unk'n	
1868	3	3	1,692	—	17	37	46	1	8	1		5	2,620	—	"	
1867	5	2	2,879	—	12	33	59	2	10	2		15	3,713	—	"	
1866	9	5	—	263	10	27	32	5		5		13	920	—	"	
1865	8	8	1,099	—						1		6	—	775	"	
1860	6	3	—	413						9		6	—	161		
1855	5	1	532	—						6		6	940	—		
1851	2	2	2,467	—									2,249	—		

NOTE. — The "year" means what changes were comprised in the twelve months preceding January 1 of the year mentioned. The table was begun in 1866, all preceding years now given being compiled from past Minutes, — the number of churches in some years varying from the Minutes as they *were* to what they *should* have been.

The changes in list of churches, ordinations, installations, etc., for the past year, condensed in the above table, are given in detail in their proper place.

* Prior to 1876 "acting pastors" are included in "others" in columns of deaths of ministers.

CONTINUED TABLE OF SUMMARIES.

Year.	Churches.				Ministers.				Church Members, Jan. 1.			Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		In Sab. Schs.		Benevolent Contributions.
	With P. C.	With P.	With S.	Vacant.	Total.	P. C.	P.	S.	Others.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Ab'nt.	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death	Diam.	Disc.	Total.	Adult	Infant	Mem.	Av. Att.	
1900	275	258	9	58	600	282	256	9	280	827	35,438	77,528	112,966	18,262	2,703	2,719	5,422	1,967	2,425	1,241	5,632	1,225	1,774	115,211	67,615	$660,039
1899	273	243	8	77	601	281	230	7	300	818	35,878	77,606	113,544	18,255	2,847	2,656	5,503	1,740	2,383	840	4,963	1,345	1,799	120,581	70,472	558,125
1898	282	252	8	56	598	291	235	6	256	788	35,828	77,133	112,961	17,985	3,912	3,180	7,092	1,828	2,462	748	5,038	1,860	1,990	124,247	72,968	609,473
1897	274	241	10	68	593	280	226	10	271	787	35,331	75,892	111,223	17,453	3,382	3,050	6,432	1,848	2,590	915	5,353	1,633	1,616	121,557	70,571	558,551
1896	281	224	15	69	589	287	214	15	270	786	35,038	75,141	110,179	17,216	3,786	2,964	6,750	1,849	2,650	936	5,435	1,326	1,661	118,379	69,581	696,261
1895	273	215	22	79	589	280	210	21	267	778	34,461	75,013	109,474	17,014	4,106	3,282	7,388	1,843	2,653	952	5,448	1,964	1,802	118,327	70,262	631,246
1894	267	203	27	90	587	271	194	22	293	780	34,032	73,492	107,524	16,957	3,733	3,260	6,993	1,935	2,730	721	5,386	1,849	1,804	117,905	70,790	675,884
1893	267	198	16	98	579	276	184	16	342	818	33,598	72,345	105,943	17,125	3,324	3,005	6,329	2,074	2,506	850	5,430	1,654	1,452	116,476	69,323	852,055
1892	265	195	11	102	573	275	199	11	315	800	33,433	71,881	105,314	15,865	3,617	3,170	6,787	1,916	2,721	475	5,112	1,840	1,543	117,471	68,640	657,548
1891	272	176	16	101	565	280	181	15	286	767	32,596	71,063	103,659	17,206	3,530	3,043	6,573	1,757	2,604	479	4,840	1,883	1,074	118,875	72,041	675,285
1890	265	190	23	80	561	278	178	22	276	754	32,193	69,527	101,660	17,595	3,836	3,159	6,995	1,754	2,744	913	5,411	1,930	1,377	116,961	68,574	658,079
1889	284	177	45	93	557	264	177	45	220	706	31,592	68,878	100 470	15,838	3,718	2,760	6,478	1,780	2,513	337	4,630	1,838	1,258	115,112	66,899	641,177
1888	261	204		75	540	277	165		236	678	29,465	64,712	97,707	15,541	3,882	2,830	6,721	1,788	2,313	185	4,286	2,013	1,229	114,178		678,950
1887	258	178		99	535	282	157		259	698	29,029	63,967	96,412	15,836	3,733	2,688	6,421	1,537	2,114	189	3,856	1,905	961	111,768		707,821
1886	277	189		70	536	289	165		211	665	28,577	62,697	94 987	15,931	3,752	2,687	6,440	1,688	2,170	150	4,011	1,843	1,025	110,720		597,397
1885	283	196		87	534	297	178		186	661	28,857	63,423	93,725	15,239	3,013	2,503	5,519	1,603	1,979	168	3,752	1,414	1,008	110,182		601,702
1884	283	169		80	532	300	155		186	641	27,777	62,573	90,350	13,877	2,800	2,071	4,871	1,587	1,979	141	3,707	1,451	800	106,827		500,782
1883	278	160		93	531	265	153		202	620	30,957	61,338	92,295	14,872	2,371	2,180	4,551	1,585	1,861	148	3,594	1,051	837	105,011		477,440
1882	274	178		80	532	278	140		215	633	28,073	61,135	91,208	14,392	2,153	2,001	4,168	1,682	1,724	137	3,539	1,103	966	94,977		349,839
1881	269	164		95	528	264	119		228	611	28,494	61,468	89,962	14,399	1,631	1,940	3,571	1,410	1,592	145	3,147	874	842	105,976		391,716
1880	280	171		75	526	284	164		185	633	29,045	62 394	91,439	14,584	1,761	1,835	3,596	1,454	1,745	151	3,350	922	968	100.744		346,485
1879	282	180		66	528	280	174		195	655	29 212	62,575	91,787	14,764	2,421	1,869	4,290	1,401	1,669	116	3,186	1,235	954	10,089		324,484
1878	277	174		78	529	280	169		194	643	28,695	62,473	91,468	14,100	5,698	2,577	8,275	1,418	2,066	159	3,643	3,103	1,353	100.438	62,290	309,314
1877	269	174		83	526	275	171		196	642	27,479	59,994	87,473	12,833	4,407	2,085	6,492	1,517	1,807	178	3,502	2,480	1,078	96,715		384,611
1876	289	163		69	521	292	162		187	641	26,580	58,374	84,954	13,177	3,103	2,244	5,347	1,531	2,163	89	3,783	1,616	1,153	95,961	61,391	400,886
1875	301	136		80	517	305	134		167	606	26,346	57,821	84,167	12,777	3,869	2,739	6,608	1,391	2,295	94	3,780	2,137	1,111	97,160	62,295	416,816
1874	307	116		85	508	314	116		166	596	25,810	56,669	82,479	12.506	2,329	2,279	4,608	1,380	1,902	67	3,349	1,112	1,012	92,646	60,036	394,111
1873	307	127		73	507	316	127		173	616	25,481	55,983	81,464	13.305	2,713	2,438	5,151	1,483	2,159	60	3,702	1,287	915	90,496	58,405	436,359
1872	299	123		81	503	304	125		164	591	25,426	56,027	81,453	13.874	2,569	2,151	4,720	1,350	2,177	79	3,606	1,236	882	91,183	61,571	438,479
1871	292	134		75	501	297	134		166	597	25,152	55,431	80,583	12,517	2,164	2,009	4,173	1,348	2,049	73	3,470	1,126	1,005	90,851	61,443	439,830
1870	294	119		89	502	298	117		176	591	24,915	55,151	80,066	11,983	2,381	2,476	4,857	1,359	2,308	82	3,749	1,218	1,103	93,144	62,217	337,820
1869	311	116		73	500	314	115		172	601	25,050	55,007	80,057	11,970	2,975	2,492	5,467	1,267	2,337	79	3,683	1,610	1,036	93,844	61,149	300,093
1868	301	113		82	498	307	112		156	575	24,734	54,792	79,526	11,509	3,513	2,163	5,676	1,170	2,122	58	3,350	1,928	1,072	93,440	62,782	298,533
1867	295	114		87	496	300	113		154	567	24,082	53,752	77,834	11,695	4,644	2,316	6,960	1,220	2,051	114	4,385	2,314	1,168	90,820	61,407	315,322
1866	310	109		74	493	316	107		166	589	25,177	51,178	74,955	11,147	2,153	1,696	3,749	1,307	1,703	98	3,108	1,010	987	87,107	60,036	392,244
1865	313	100		76	489	318	101		147	566	23,488	51,730	75,218	11,706	3,030	1,790	4,820	1,454	1,675	124	3,253	1,467	1,023	86,187	58,284	
1860	325	81		82	488	333	78		176	587	24,217	51,302	76,371	10,114	1,741	1,734	3,475	1,154	1,768	188	3,110	780	1,293	80,124		
1855	351	54		62	467	366	55		135	556	20,999	45,218	69,509	8,756	1,713	1,618	3,331	1,119	1,674	97	2,890	737	1,254	66,147		
1850	347	58		56	461	356	56						64,830		1,185	1,510	2,695	1,054	1,456	108	2,618	429	1,239	64,178		
1845					440								55,467											62,108		
1840					408								62,513											62,305		
1835					387								49,080											44,040		
1830					347								37,987											34,787		

In the above table, the columns of "Additions," "Removals," "Baptisms," "Sabbath School Average," and "Benevolent Contributions" cover the twelve months next preceding January 1 of the year mentioned in a given line. The number of *churches, members,* and of *Sabbath schools* was enumerated January 1 of the year mentioned. The number of churches "Vacant" includes all churches supplied by licentiates, or ministers of other denominations.

THE ASSOCIATIONS OF MINISTERS.

1. ANDOVER, Organized July 5, 1763.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
S. Winchester Adriance,	'79, May 22.	'84, Dec. 2.	Winchester.	W. C.
George A. Andrews,	'99, June 14.	'99, Dec. 5.	Andover,	P. C.
Ernest L. Baker,	'94, Sept. 18.	'95, Feb. 26.	*Center Harbor, N.H.*	P.
Cecil F. P. Bancroft,	'67, May 1.	'90, Sept. 23.	Andover.	Prof.
Henry E. Barnes,	'62, May 28.	'94, Feb. 27.	N. Andover.	P. C.
Ernest C. Bartlett,	'96, Mar. 12.	'96, Dec. 8.	Chelmsford.	P. C.
William A. Bartlett,	'86, Jan. 4.	'96, Feb. 23.	Lowell.	P. C.
James M. Blue,	'96, July 14.	'96, Sept. 29.	*Epsom, N. H.*	P.
Francis H. Boynton,	'64, Oct. 20.	'89, May 28.	Florence.	P.
Park A. Bradford,	'79, July 30.	'94, Sept. 25.	Lowell.	W. C.
Charles C. Carpenter,	'60, May 9.	'91, May.	Andover.	W. C.
Clark Carter,	'68, Feb. 13.	'73, June 3.	Andover.	C. M.
Thomas G. A. Coté,	'71, April 9.	'82, April 11.	Lowell.	W. C.
George R. Dickinson,	'95, Oct. 9.	'96, Sept. 29.	*Zanesville, O.*	W. C.
Sarah A. Dixon,	'97, June 16.	'97, Dec. 7.	Tyngsboro.	P. C.
Robert W. Dunbar,	'99, Feb. 8.	'99, Feb. 28.	N. Chelmsford.	P. C.
Hohannes B.Garabedian,	'88, Sept. 18.	'99, Dec. 5.	Lawrence.	M.
John M. Greene,	'57, Oct. 20.	'71, June 28.	Lowell.	P. C.
Daniel W. Hardy,	'74, Oct. 20.	'95, Dec. 3.	Billerica.	P.
David P. Hatch,	'86, July 1.	'00, Feb. 27.	Lawrence,	P. C.
Edward Y. Hincks,	'70, Oct. 18.	'85, Dec. 15.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles W. Huntington,	'81, Sept. 6.	'88, June 5.	Lowell.	P. C.
Francis H. Johnson,	'61, Oct. 15.	'83, June 5.	Andover.	W. C.
George H. Johnson,	'77, July 6.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
George F. Kenngott,	'90, Oct. 8.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P.
David Kilburn,	'84, April 20.	'90, Sept. 23.	*Londonderry, N.H.*	W. C.
Willis D. Leland,	'80, Jan. 23.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	W. C.
Herbert G. Mank,	'89, Jan. 15.	'98, Dec. 6.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Charles L. Merriam,	'82, Sept. 13.	'92, June.	Lowell.	P. C.
Selah Merrill.	'64, Nov. 1.	'74, Oct. 20.	*Jerusalem.*	W. C.
Charles L Mitchell,	'71, June 28.	'84, June 19.	Winchester.	W. C.
George F. Moore,	'78, Feb. 2.	'95, May 28.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Lewis W. Morey,	'82, Sept. 6.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	W. C.
Andrew P. Nelson,	'94, Mar. 1.	'98, Feb. 22.	Lowell.	P. C.
Charles H. Oliphant,	'76, July 12.	'84, Oct. 28.	Methuen.	P. C.
Frederick H. Page,	'93, Nov. 23.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Edward W. Pride,	'69, June 10.	'92, June.	Andover.	W. C.
John P. Richardson,	'80, May 4.	'99, Dec. 5.	Dracut.	P. C.
William H. Ryder,	'69, Dec. 14.	'88, Dec. 4.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.

1. ANDOVER (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Hovhannes K.Santikian,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Dec. 7.	Lowell.	M.
Frank R. Shipman,	'93, Dec. 27.	'94, June 5.	Andover.	P. C.
John Phelps Taylor,	'68, Nov. 12.	'85, Nov. 3.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles C. Torrey,	'99, May 15.	'99, May 29.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Frank A. Warfield,	'71, June 10,	'99, Feb. 28.	Lowell.	P. C.
Charles H. Willcox,	'84, Nov. 6.	'84, Dec. 2.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Frederick A. Wilson,	'82, Oct. 6.	'90, April 8.	Andover.	P. C.
William E. Wolcott,	'81, Sept. 21.	'82, Feb. 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Frank E. Woodruff,	'83, Sept. 6.	'85, Nov. 3.	*Brunswick, Me.*	Prof.

Licentiates. — 1898: Howard Gilpatric, Arthur E. Hartwell, John E. Le Boutillier, Emile J. Palisoul. 1899: David E. Burnham, Charles F. Fisher, Andrew C. Furbush, Fred W. Flood, Frederic Parker, William W. Rockwell, Henry B. Dyer, Laird W. Snell, Alfred E. Stearns, Albert P. Watson, May 29.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesday in December, and fourth Tuesdays in February, May, and September.

Rev. Robert W. Dunbar, N. Chelmsford, scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

George W. Andrews,	'82, June 7.	'84, Dec. 1.	Dalton.	P.
John Bascom,	'59, Dec. 18.	'61, Jan. 28.	Williamstown.	W. C.
George A. Beckwith,	'62, May 26.	'99, Oct. 17.	*Saratoga Spgs, N.Y.*	W. C.
Henry M. Bowden,	'86, June 30.	'99, June 13.	Middlefield.	P.
Raymond Calkins,	'97, Oct. 19.	'98, Mar. 8.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
Edson L. Clark,	'59, Nov. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Dalton.	W. C.
William V. W. Davis,	'77, Sept. 12.	'93, Dec. 19.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
John H. Denison,	'70, Jan. 30.	'85, Sept. 16.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Charles O. Eames,	'97, Dec. 14.	'99, Jan. 30.	Becket.	P.
Nathaniel H. Egleston,	'45, Feb. 19.	'77, Dec. 3.	Boston.	W. C.
Miles B. Fisher,	'97, Oct. 4.	'99, Jan. 30.	Adams.	P. A.
Edward H. Griffin,	'68, Feb. 6.	'73, Dec. 1.	*Baltimore, Md.*	Dean Coll.
Samuel Harrison,	'50, Aug. 13.	'52, Nov. 8.	Pittsfield.	P.
James H. Laird,	'64, Dec. 21.	'85, Sept. 16.	Hinsdale.	P. C.
T. Claire Luce,	'85, Dec. 2.	'90, Dec. 2.	Richmond.	P.
Alford B. Penniman,	'83, Apr. 10.	'94, June 12.	Adams.	P. C.
James C. Seagrave,	'51, Dec. 1.	'87, Dec. 6.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
Isaac C. Smart,	'85, June 9.	'85, Sept. 16.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
George Sterling,	'74, Dec. 8.	'99, Jan. 30.	Windsor.	P.
William L. Tenney,	'88, Sept. 20.	'95, Dec. 20.	North Adams.	P. C.

Licentiate. — Garrett V. Stryker, Williamstown.

STATED MEETINGS. — In March, June, September, and December.

Rev. Henry M. Bowden, Middlefield, scribe and treasurer.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Arthur J. Benedict,	'75, May 25.	'93, Jan. 31.	Housatonic.	P.
Leon D. Bliss,	'89, Oct. 31.	'96, Oct. 27.	Great Barrington.	P. C.
Albert J. Chittenden,	'62, Sept. 28.	'94, April 24.	Mill River.	W. C.
Walter W. Curtis,	'72, Mar. 20.	'83, Oct. 29.	West Stockbridge.	P.
John Dooley,	'72, May 6.	'98, April 26,	Monterey.	P.
Edwin C. Gillette,	'98, Oct. 7.	'98, Nov. 1.	Southfield.	P.
Samuel Hopley,	'55, Sept. 19.	'90, Jan. 28.	Lee.	W. C.
Alonzo T. Lamb,	'93, July 26.	'95, Oct. 29.	Plainfield.	P.
John B. Lewis,	'95, Sept. 25.	'97, Oct. 26.	Mill River.	P.
Stephen T. Livingston,	'91, July 8.	'91, Nov. 10.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Frederick H. Lynch,	'99, Mar. 27.	'99, Jan. 31..	Lenox.	P. C.
R. DeWitt Mallary,	'76, Oct. 12.	'80, July 12.	Lenox.	W. C.
Evarts W. Pond,	'95, May 2.	'97, Oct. 26.	Sheffield.	P.
Charles S. Rich,	'96, Sept. 29.	'96, Oct. 27.	Stockbridge.	P. C.
Lyman S. Rowland,	'64, Nov. 16.	'77, Oct. 29.	Lee.	P. C.
George T. Washburn,	'59, Mar. 22.	'59, July 25.	Lenox.	W. C.

Licentiate. — Edward J. Rulifson.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October.

Rev. Leon D. Bliss, Great Barrington, scribe and treasurer.

4. BROOKFIELD.

The Brookfield Association has ceased to report its members, having transferred that function to the Brookfield Conference, which names the following, 8 ministerial members: —

Austin B. Bassett,	'87, Sept. 15.	'00, May 8.	Ware.	P. C.
Oscar Bissell,	'56, May 14.	"	Brimfield.	W. C.
Edward B. Blanchard,	'92, June 29.	"	Brookfield.	P. C.
Allen A. Bronsdon,	'98, Dec. 2.	"	Oakham..	P. C
Benson M. Frink,	'63, Jan. 9.	"	W. Brookfield.	W. C.
Sereno D. Gammell,	'68, Sept. 9.	"	N. Brookfield.	W. C.
Joseph F. Gaylord,	'67, Nov. 7.	"	Barre.	P. C.
J. Howard Gaylord,	'99, Nov. 21.	"	W. Brookfield.	P. C.
Silvanus Hayward,	'61, Oct. 9.	"	Globe Village.	P. C.
George O. Jenness,	'61, Feb. 8.	"	Charlton.	P.
James G. Knotter,	'96, Apr. 21.	"	Ware.	P.
William B. Oleson,	'77, Dec. 4.	"	Warren.	P. C.
Harlan Page,	'83, Feb. 6.	"	Hardwick.	P.
Augustus M. Rice,	'73, Dec. 17.	"	Sturbridge.	P.
John L. Sewall,	'82, July 19.	"	N. Brookfield.	P. C.
Dwight C. Stone,	'88, May 22.	"	*Chester, Ct.*	P.

BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION, Organized June 22, 1757.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October.

Rev. Edward B. Blanchard, Brookfield, scribe.

5. CAPE COD (BARNSTABLE, 1792; BREWSTER, 1832; VINEYARD SOUND, 1836), Organized by union, October 16, 1866.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	'63, Feb. 17.	'82, Jan. 31.	Hyannis.	W. C.
Charles A. Breck,	'94, Sept. 25.	'97, Aug. 4.	Cotuit.	P.
Henry K. Craig,	'55, Jan. 24.	'73, April 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
George S. Dodge,	'93, June 6.	'94, Jan. 16.	West Acton.	W. C.
Ernest W. Eldredge,	'93, April.	'00, May 6.	E. Wareham.	W. C.
Edward T. Ford,	'97, May 25.	'97, Oct. 19.	*Tacoma, Wn.*	P.
Edgar B. French,	'97, Sept. 7.	'97, Oct. 19.	W. Barnstable.	P.
John W. Hayley,	'64, Sept. 23.	'95, Jan. 15.	Lowell.	W. C.
E. Irving Racket,	'94, May 9.	'94, July 17.	E. Orleans.	P. C.
John T. Rea,	'73, Aug. 8.	'79, Jan. 28.	*Exeter, N. H.*	W. C.
Daniel W. Richardson,	'62, Aug. 14.	'96, Aug. 4.	Chatham.	P.
Ezra J. Riggs,	'79, July 10.	'91, Nov. 10.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
Ezra N. Smith,	'72, June 12.	'92, April 19.	N. Falmouth.	P.
Rufus B. Tobey,	'80, Nov. 30.	'81, Jan. 25.	Boston.	W. C.
John J. Walker,	'94, Dec. 11.	'97, April 20.	Yarmouth.	P. C.
Bartlett H. Weston,	'90, May 29.	'99, Aug. 8.	Centerville.	P.
Edgar C. Wheeler,	'96, Sept. 22.	'00, April 17.	Hyannis.	P.
Chas. H. Whitney,	'71, Aug. 31.	'72, Jan. 16.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William H. Woodwell,	'73, June 12.	'89, June 11.	*Washington, D. C.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS.—Third Tuesdays in January, April, July, and October. Rev. Edgar B. French, W. Barnstable, scribe.

6. ESSEX NORTH, Organized September 6, 1761.

Frank G. Alger,	'86, July 22.	'98, Dec. 20.	Newburyport.	P.
Isaac N. Carleton,	*Licentiate.*	'87, April 19.	Bradford.	Teacher.
George W. Christie,	'73, Dec. 11.	'93, Feb. 21.	Amesbury.	P.
Calvin M. Clark,	'90, Dec. 30.	'93, Dec. 19.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles Clark,	'94, Dec. 12.	'98, April 26.	Ward Hill.	P. C.
Charles F. Clarke,	'92, Dec. 7.	'98, April 26.	Groveland.	P.
Chalmer H. Coolidge,	'83, May 24.	'98, Dec. 20.	West Newbury.	P.
F. Lincoln Davis,	'93, Nov. 8.	'94, April 17.	Acushnet.	P.
Leonard Dodd,	'78, May 5.	'99, Oct. 17.	*Atkinson Depot, N. H.*	P.
John W. Dodge,	'60, Dec. 6.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Daniel T. Fiske,	'47, Aug. 18.	'47, Dec. 29.	Newburyport.	P. C.
David Fraser, Jr.,	'95, Dec. 5.	'98, Oct. 17.	Rowley,	P. C.
George L. Gleason,	'66, Feb. 1.	'84, May 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Albert W. Hitchcock,	'91, Dec. 15.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Charles S. Holton,	'92, Nov. 30.	'97, Dec. 21.	Newbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Hubbard,	'68, Sept. 2.	'80, April 20.	West Boxford.	P. C.
Joseph Kimball,	'83, June 15.	'86, April 20.	*Hampton Falls, N. H.*	P.
John D. Kingsbury,	'56, Sept. 24.	'66, Oct. 17.	Bradford.	P. C.
Charles E. Lord,	'44, May 8.	'90, Dec. 16.	Newburyport.	W. C.
John N. Lowell,	'77, Nov. 21.	'81, Feb. 21.	Haverhill.	P.

6. Essex North (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles P. Mills,	'80, Sept. 23.	'80, Dec. 21.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Vincent Moses,	'87, Oct. 2.	'92, Dec. 20.	Bradford.	W. C.
Albert F. Newton,	'77, Sept. 5.	'98, Dec. 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Frederick B. Noyes,	'90, Oct. 28.	'92, April 19.	Chiltonville.	P.
Edwin B. Palmer,	'59, Sept. 20.	'76, June 20.	Winchester.	Tr. H. M.Soc.
Manasseh G. Papazian,	'90, May 28.	'90, Oct. 21.	*Aintab.*	Prof.
Myron O. Patton,	'94, May 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Eugene L. Raiche,	'97, Oct. 19.	'98, Feb. 15.	Boston.	W. C.
George L. Richmond,	'87, Oct. 10.	'90, April 15.	Amesbury.	W. C.
Francis W. Sanborn,	'78, Dec. 18.	'85, Dec. 16.	Marblehead.	W. C.
George H. Scott,	'73, Sept. 8.	'88, Feb. 21.	*Atkinson, N. H.*	P.
Alexander Sloan,	'97, June 15.	'98, Oct. 18.	*Kennebunk, Me.*	P.
Egbert C. Smyth,	'56, July 23.	'67, April 19.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
George L. Todd,	'87, April 13.	'93, April 18.	Merrimac.	P. C.
David C. Torrey,	'92, June 1.	'92, Dec. 20.	Byfield.	P. C.
C. Julian Tuthill,	'94, May 1.	'95, Dec. 17.	Georgetown.	P. C.

Stated Meetings. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Haverhill, scribe.

7. Essex South and Salem (Essex South, September 3, 1717; Salem, October 15, 1840), Organized by union, December 1, 1885.

Harry C. Adams,	'89, Oct. 22.	'98, Jan. 11.	Danvers.	P. C.
Israel Ainsworth,	'80, April 11.	'89, May 14.	Rockport.	P. C.
William P. Alcott,	'68, Feb. 18.	'81, Sept. 13.	Boxford.	P.C. Linebrook.
Walter H. Ashley,	'78, Mar. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Manchester.	P.
S. Linton Bell,	'76, Jan. 5.	'81, April 1.	Marblehead.	P. C.
Lyman H. Blake,	'67, Nov. 14.	'00, Jan. 9.	Essex.	P.
Emery L. Bradford,	'92, July 1.	'94, Jan. 9.	Boxford.	P. C.
James F. Brodie,	'82, Feb. 21.	'89, Nov. 12.	Salem.	P. C.
John W. Buckham,	'88, Aug. 9.	'91, Jan. 13.	Salem.	P. C.
Daniel E. Burtner,	'90, Sept. 25.	'98, Sept. 13.	Swampscott.	P.
DeWitt S. Clark,	'68, Nov. 11.	'79, June 2.	Salem.	P. C.
Edward Constant,	'83, Aug. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Ipswich.	P.
Arthur J. Covell,	'90, Oct. 21.	'98, Nov. 8.	Lynn.	P. C.
Daniel L. Crafts,	'76, July 19.	'99, Mar. 14.	Lynn.	W. C.
Lyndon S. Crawford,	'79, Aug. 20.	'84, Jan. 8.	Southwick.	P.
Temple Cutler,	'61, Feb. 20.	'86, Sept. 26.	W. Gloucester.	P.
Hugh Elder,	'68, Jan. 29.	'68, April 7.		W. C.
Edward C. Ewing,	'63, Nov. 5.	'83, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	W. C.
George E. Freeman,	'58, Oct. 6.	'96, Mar. 10.	Lynnfield.	P. C.
Curtis M. Geer,	'90, June 25.	'95, Mar. 12.	*Lewiston, Me.*	W. C.
Leslie C. Greeley,	'98, Dec. 20.	'99, Sept. 12.	Middleton.	P.

7. Essex South and Salem (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Willis A. Hadley,	'78, Aug. 21.	'94, May 9.	Southbridge.	P. C.
George A. Hall,	'86, April 13.	'86, Dec. 1.	Peabody.	P. C.
Owen E. Hardy,	'94, Oct. 2.	'00, Mar. 13.	W. Peabody.	P.
Rufus P. Hibbard,	'68, Aug. 4.	'88, Sept. 11.	Gloucester.	P. C.
George A. Jackson,	'72, Sept. 26.	'79, Jan. 14.	Swampscott.	W. C.
John A. Johnson,	'92, Aug. 6.	'95, Mar. 12.	Lynn.	P.
Frederic I. Kelley,	'89, Dec. 30.	'90, Mar. 11.	Dracut.	P. C.
John C. Labaree,	'62, Feb. 4.	'96, Nov. 10.	Saugus.	P.
Warren P. Landers,	'91, Dec. 2.	'92, Mar. 8.	Somerville.	Journalist.
Frank A. Lindholm,	'98, Oct. 6.	'00, Jan. 9.	Pigeon Cove.	P.
Carl A. Lundgren,	'93, Aug. 17.	'94, May 9.	Waltham.	P.
William C. Merrill,	'84, May 17.	'97, Nov. 9.	Lynn.	P.
Albert W. Moore,	'73, Jan. 22.	'84, Mar. 11.	Lynn.	W. C.
Jesse G. Nichols,	'94, Sept. 13.	'95, Jan. 8.	Hamilton.	P. C.
George W. Osgood,	'78, Jan. 26.	'96, May 26.	Lynn.	P.
Albert B. Peabody,	'60, May 24.	'98, Nov. 8.	E. Boxford.	W. C.
Arthur H. Pingree,	'98, Nov. 16.	'99, Mar. 14.	Pigeon Cove.	P.
Aaron Porter,	'60, Nov. 20.	'88, Sept. 11.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank H. Reed,	'86, June 24.	'86, Dec. 1.	Lanesville.	P. C.
Charles B. Rice,	'59, Dec. 7.	'64, May 1.	Danvers.	Sect.
Edward F. Sanderson,	'99, June 27.	'99, Mar. 14.	Beverly.	P. C.
Jotham B. Sewall,	'55, Feb. 28.	'95, Mar. 12.	Boston.	P.
J. Henry Thayer,	'59, Dec. 29.	'60, Mar 6.	Cambridge.	Prof.
Lewis J. Thomas,	'78, June 18.	'98, Sept. 13.	W. Peabody.	P.
W. Sherman Thompson,	'91, Oct. 14.	'97, Mar. 9.	Cliftondale.	P.
Morris H. Turk,	'98, Sept. 22.	'00, Jan. 9,	Wenham.	P. C.
Francis J. Van Horn,	'93, Oct. 5.	'96, Mar. 10.	*Des Moines, Io,*	P. C.
Arthur N. Ward,	'79, Feb. 25.	'92, Jan. 12.	Somerville.	W. C.
T. Frank Waters,	'76, Oct. 23.	'79, Feb. 4.	Ipswich.	P. C.
Charles C. Watson,	'67, July 2.	'94, Jan. 9.	Lynn.	W. C.
Will C. Wood,	'68, Oct. 15.	'69, Jan. 12.	Boston.	W. C.

Licentiate. — Peter A. Johnson, Pigeon Cove.

Stated Meetings. — Second Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, scribe.

8. Franklin, Organized September 20, 1803.

G. Glenn Atkins,	'95, Jan. 2.	'95, Feb. 12.	*Burlington, Vt.*	P.
George H. Bailey,	'67, Nov. 26.	'94, July 10.	*Ferrisburgh, Vt.*	P.
Edgar F. Blanchard,	'94, Nov. 15.	'96, Feb. 11.	*E. Poultney, Vt.*	P.
Edward P. Butler,	'74, Oct. 20.	'90, June 12.	Sunderland.	P. C.
Andrew Campbell,	'96, Sept. 24.	'97, Feb. 9.	Webster.	W. C.
Christopher W. Collier,	'94, Jan. 3.	'99, Nov. 14.	Orange.	P. C.
Silas P. Cook,	'70, Mar. 23.	'94, July 10.	Pittsfield.	W. C.

8. FRANKLIN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles M. Crooks,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Sept. 14.	Colerain.	P.
George L. Dickinson,	'76, Sept. 20.	'92, April 11.	Whately.	W. C.
Joseph A. Goodrich,	'96, Sept. 9.	'96, Sept. 15.	Shelburne.	P.
Edward O. Grisbrook,	'93, May 17.	'98, Nov. 8.	South Deerfield.	P.
Horace F. Hallett,	'91, July 10.	'99, Nov. 14.	Ashfield.	P.
Alpheus C. Hodges,	'81, Nov. 16.	'82, Feb. 14.	*Canaan Four C., N. Y.*	P. C.
Dorr A. Hudson,	'91, Sept. 9.	'94, May 8.	Millers Falls.	P.
Eugene F. Hunt,	'84, Nov. 18.	'96, Sept. 15.	Conway.	P.
William R. Joyslin,	'64, Feb. 4.	'97, Nov. 9.	Centerville.	W. C.
Thomas C. Kinne,	'75, June 28.	'93, Dec. 12.	Montague.	W. C.
Frank N. Merriam,	'92, Feb. 24.	'98, Sept. 13.	Turner's Falls.	P.
C. B. F. Pease,	'89, June 25.	'90, Sept. 9.	*Plantsville, Ct.*	P. C.
John A. Pogue,	'96, Jan. 28.	'96, May 12.	Erving.	P.
Martin L. Richardson,	'61, Mar. 7.	'98, Nov. 8.	Montague.	W. C.
Thos. S. Robie,	'59, Oct. 25.	'99, Sept. 12.	West Hawley.	
Edward A. Robinson,	'83, July 11.	'98, Sept. 13.	Buckland.	P.
Theophilus H. Root,	'92, Sept. 9.	'00.	Whately.	W. C.
Edward P. Seymour,	'92, Oct. 25.	'97, Sept. 14.	Wendell.	P
Ira A. Smith,	'82, Sept. 27.	'88, Feb. 4.	Scotland.	P.
Frank Snowden,	'97, Sept. 22.	'98, Nov. 8.	Heath.	W. C.
David H. Strong,	'85, June 16.	'88, Nov. 13.	*Williamstown, Vt.*	P.
Hohannes T. Torosyan,	'99, June 1.	'99, Sept. 12.	Hawley.	
Carey H. Watson,	'91, Dec. 30.	'93, July 5.	Greenfield.	P.
Lyman Whiting,	'43, Jan. 11.	'90, May 13.	East Charlemont.	P.

Licentiate. — John C. Wightman.

STATED MEETINGS. — Annual, second Tuesday in May. Other meetings, second Tuesdays in September, November, and February.

Rev. Charles M. Crooks, Colerain, scribe.

9. HAMPDEN, Organized February 13, 1894, by the union of Hampden West and East, which were formed June 11 and 12, 1844.

Simeon O. Allen,	'70, Dec. 1.	'91, Feb. 10.	West Springfield.	W. C.
Samuel B. Andrews,	'68, June 20.	'98, April 12.	West Granville.	W. C.
William G. Ballantine,	'80, Aug. 20.	'00, Feb. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Stephen G. Barnes,	'81, April 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Longmeadow.	P. C.
Harlan P. Beach,	'83, July 19.	'93, Feb. 14.	*Montclair, N. J.*	Teacher.
Henry J. Bruce,	'62, Sept. 11.	'62, Nov. 11.	*Satara, India.*	F. M.
Collins G. Burnham,	'79, Dec. 10.	'89, May 14.	Chicopee.	P. C.
Hanford M. Burr,	'88, Oct. 24.	'90, May 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gardner S. Butler,	'77, Jan. 7.	'99, Feb. 21.	*Union, N. H.*	W. C.
Luther H. Cone,	'55, April 5.	'60, Feb. 7.	*New Haven, Ct.*	P. C. *Em.*
Allen E. Cross,	'92, Dec. 29.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward Day,	'86, Sept. 18.	'99, Feb. 21.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry A. Dickinson,	'63, Oct. 16.	'68, Feb. 11.	Huntington.	W. C.
Myron S. Dudley,	'71, Sept. 28.	'87, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Allen C. Ferrin,	'96, June 30.	'97, July 13.	Blandford.	P. C.
Aaron W. Field,	'72, Nov. 13.	'81, Feb. 8.	New Marlboro.	W. C.
G. Walter Fiske,	'98, Oct. 25.	'99, Feb. 21.	S. Hadley Falls.	P.
Albert E. Fitch,	'96, Nov. 11.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Rensselaer, N. Y.*	P.
Everett D. Francis,	'95, Nov. 20.	'97, Feb. 9.	Ludlow.	P. C.
Frank L. Garfield,	'93, Feb. 21.	'93, April 11.	Feeding Hills.	P. C.
Lewis F. Giroux,	'89, April 17.	'89, Nov. 12.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Frank L. Goodspeed,	'87, June 29.	'95, April 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edwin H. Hadlock,	'93, April 23.	'00, June 26.	Springfield.	P. C.
Newton M. Hall,	'91, July 8.	'00, Feb. 13.	Springfield.	P. C.
Fosdick B. Harrison,	'94, June 13.	'99, July 11.	Palmer.	P. C.
Franklin S. Hatch,	'76, May 7.	'89, Feb. 12.	Monson.	P. C.
Theron H. Hawks,	'55, Mar. 5.	'88, July 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Winfield S. Hawkes,	'68, Nov. 12.	'00, April 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Timothy A. Hazen,	'54, Oct. 11.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Martin S. Howard,	'56, Nov. 20.	'69, Feb. 2.	Wilbraham.	P. C.
George H. Hubbard,	'84, Sept. 13.	'97, July 13.	Enfield.	P. C.
William T. Hutchins,	'76, Dec. 20.	'92, Nov. 7.	Indian Orchard.	W. C.
David L. Kebbe,	'91, June 17.	'91, July 14.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward H. Knight,	'83, July 25.	'83, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gerald Stanley Lee,	'88, Oct. 23.	'95, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	W. C.
Samuel H. Lee,	'62, Sept. 17.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	Pres. Coll.
John H. Lockwood,	'71, Nov. 5.	'79, Nov. 11.	Westfield.	P. C.
Clarence C. Lyon,	'90, Dec. 17.	'94, Nov. 13.	*Plainfield, Ct.*	W. C.
Samuel V. McDuffie,	'69, May 12.	'00, June 26.	Springfield.	W. C.
Harry C. McKnight,	'85, Oct. 7.	'98, July 12.	E. Longmeadow.	P.
Henry B. Mason,	'92, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	Duxbury.	P.
Samuel L. Merrell,	'50, Jan. 8.	'82, Nov. 14.	Springfield.	W. C.
Henry C. Meserve,	'94, Mar. 14.	'94, Nov. 13.	*Indianapolis, Ind.*	P. C.
Philip S. Moxom,	'71, Sept. 19.	'96, Feb. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Egbert N. Munroe,	'81, May 4.	'89, Nov. 12.	Wellfleet.	P.
Charles Olmstead,	'83, Sept. 27.	'99, July 11.	Three Rivers.	P.
Charles Pease,	'96, Oct. 20.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Long Beach, Cal.*	W. C.
Hervey G. Pillsbury,	'82, Sept. 28.	'95, July 9.	Chicopee Falls.	P. C.
Paul H. Pitkin,	'66, Sept. 11.	'82, May 9.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Abram J. Quick,	'64, Mar. 7.	'91, Nov. 10.	*Baltimore, Md.*	W. C.
David A. Reed,	'81, June 7.	'81, June 12.	Springfield.	Pres. S.C.W.
Edward A. Reed,	'71, June 14.	'88, Feb. 14.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Franklin P. Reinhold,	'98, July 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	Holyoke.	W. C.
Walter Rice,	'65, July 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Agawam.	P. C.
James B. Sargent,	'97, Sept. 15.	'98, April 12.	Hampden.	P. C.
Alpheus M. Spangler,	'88, June 22.	'88, Nov. 13.	Mittineague.	P. C.
Frank M. Sprague,	'75, Sept. 22.	'82, May 9.	*Tampa, Fla.*	P.
Thomas S. St. Aubin,	'93, Oct. 1.	'98, Feb. 8.	Springfield.	P. C.
Wallace H. Sterns,	'98, July 14.	'99, Feb. 21.	Granville Center.	P. C.
Richard L. Swain,	'84, Aug. 21.	'94, July 10.	*Laconia, N. H.*	P. C.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William J. Tate,	'92, Nov. 16.	'93, April 11.	*Windsor Locks, Ct.*	W. C.
Wm. Arthur Thomas,	'82, Mar. 2.	'00, June 26.	Ludlow.	P.
John L. R. Trask,	'67, Dec. 4.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
James Tufts,	'44, Sept. 23.	'54, Feb. 2.	Monson.	W. C.
Rufus S. Underwood,	'67, Nov. 19.	'98, Feb. 8.	Longmeadow.	Evan.
Josiah G. Willis,	'76, Oct. 10.	'88, Nov. 13.	Holland.	P.
George W. Winch,	'75, Oct. 6.	'91, Nov. 10.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Herbert P. Woodin,	'92, June 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	Chicopee.	P.
Samuel H. Woodrow,	'88, Aug. 30.	'99, April 11.	Springfield.	P. C.

Licentiate. — 1897, James C. Greenough.

STATED MEETINGS. — In Springfield, second Tuesdays in February, April, July, and November.

Rev. Collins G. Burnham, Chicopee, scribe.

10. HAMPSHIRE, Organized before 1735.

John E. Bowman,	'95, Feb. 14.	'97, June 8.	*S. Killingly, Ct.*	P.
George H. Buck,	'94, July 5.	'94, Oct. 16.	*Crown Point, N. Y.*	P.
Solomon Clark,	'41, June 13.	'61, Aug. 6.	*Chicago, Ill.*	W. C.
Elisha G. Cobb,	'60, June 20.	'67, Feb. 5.	Florence.	P. C.
John Cowan,	'75, May 25.	'98, Feb. 8.	Southampton.	P.
Harlan Creelman,	'89, Sept. 17.	'90, Feb. 11.	*Montreal, Can.*	Prof.
Henry L. Edwards,	'57, July 12.	'85, Feb. 17.	Northampton.	W. C.
Charles H. Hamlin,	'76, Sept. 19.	'85, Oct. 27.	Easthampton.	P. C.
Calvin Keyser,	'75, Dec. 28.	'99, Feb. 21.	Goshen.	P.
Wm. J. Parmelee, M.D.	'84, Feb. 26.	'92, Feb. 2.	Worthington.	W. C.
Cyrus Pickett,	'67, Feb. 28.	'96, Oct. 20.	Northampton.	W. C.
John Pierpont,	'88, July 26.	'98, June 7.	Williamsburg.	P.
Harvey Porter,	'80, Aug. 3.	'80, June 1.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Prof. Coll.
Wilbur Rand,	'83, May 9.	'95, June 11.	*Bangor, N. Y.*	P.
Henry T. Rose,	'70, May 29.	'95, Feb. 5.	Northampton.	P. C.
Joseph H. Sawyer,	'88, Sept. 3.	'80, June 1.	Easthampton.	Prof.
William C. Scofield,	'51, Oct. 15.	'95, June 11.	Westhampton.	P.
L. Clark Seelye,	'63, Jan. 20.	'75, Feb. 2.	Northampton.	Pres. Coll.
Samuel T. Seelye,	'46, June 17.	'64, Feb. 2.	Easthampton.	W. C.
Henry H. Smith,	'73, Sept. 7.	'94, June 5.	Huntington.	W. C.
Henry P. Smith,	'75, June 8.	'99, Feb. 21.	Amherst.	P.
Thomas S. Smith,	'71, March 21.	'99, Dec. 12.	Easthampton.	W. C.
Hanson E. Thygeson,	'87, Nov. 2.	'95, Oct. 29.	Chesterfield.	P.
Arthur C. Townsend,	'91, June 10.	'92, Feb. 2.	*Crawford, Neb.*	P.
Henry M. Tyler,	'72, May 6.	'84, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	Prof.
George N. Webber,	'55, Dec. 5.	'90, Oct. 28.	Northampton.	W. C.
Irving F. Wood,	'94, Mar. 6.	'96, June 2.	Northampton.	Prof. Coll.
Sumner G. Wood,	'80, Dec. 30.	'89, Feb. 9.	Easthampton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesday in February, first Tuesday of June, fourth Tuesday of September, and second Tuesday of December.

Rev. E. G. Cobb, Florence, scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST, Organized November 16, 1841.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Warren H. Beaman,	'41, Sept. 15.	'41, Nov. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Robert C. Bell,	'69, Nov. 3.	'92, Dec. 6.	Granby.	P.
Daniel Bliss,	'55, Oct. 31.	'74, Sept. 22.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Pres. Coll.
Frederick H. Bodman,	'95, May 27.	'96, Dec 1.	*New Haven, Ct.*	W. C.
Edward P. Crowell,	*Licentiate.*	'65, Sept. 19.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
William E. Dickinson,	'60, Dec. 19.	'97, Feb. 3.	Amherst.	W. C.
Levi H. Elwell,	*Licentiate.*	'80, Dec. 21.	Amherst.	Inst. in Coll.
Henry Fairbank,	'86, May 27.	'85, May 26.	*Ahmednagar, India.*	F. M.
George E. Fisher,	'50, Feb. 27.	'67, Dec. 17.	No. Amherst.	W. C.
Eber W. Gaylord,	'73, May 13.	'90, Dec. 2.	No. Amherst.	P. C.
John F. Gleason,	'73, Jan. 7.	'95, May 28.	S. Amherst.	P.
Edwin A. Grosvenor,	'72, July 30.	'96, Feb. 4.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
Chester W. Hawley,	'61, May 2.	'99, Feb. 7.	Amherst.	P.
William D. Herrick,	'60, Jan. 18.	'84, Sept. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Charles E. Houghton,	'76, May 24.	'89, May 28.	Dana.	W. C.
Oliver Huckel,	'90, Sept. 10.	'96, May 26.	*Baltimore, Md.*	P. C.
Newton I. Jones,	'75, July 15.	'94, May 29.	Dudley.	P.
Edward E. Keedy,	'94, Oct. 16.	'94, Dec. 4.	Hadley.	P.
John W. Lane,	'60, Oct. 16.	'61, Jan. 9.	North Hadley.	P. C.
George Lyman,	'51, Nov. 12.	'70, Dec. 20.	*Riverside, Cal.*	W. C.
Henry R. McCartney,	'87, June 25.	'98, Dec. 6.	Amherst.	P. C.
George J. Newton,	'97, July 22.	'98, Feb. 6.	Boston.	W. C.
Arthur B. Patten,	'94, Feb. 1.	'97, Dec. 7.	S. Hadley.	P. C.
Lawrence Perry,	'94, May 10.	'96, May 26.	Jamaica Plain.	W. C.
Charles S. Walker,	'71, Aug. 1.	'81, Sept. 20.	Amherst.	Prof. of Ag. Coll.
Edward C. Winslow,	'81, Nov. 2,	'96, May 26.	Amherst.	W. C.
Robert M. Woods,	'77, Nov. 21.	'77, Dec. 4.	Hatfield.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Edward P. Crowell, re-licensed Sept. 21, 1897; W. L. Montague, re-licensed Dec. 6, 1898; L. H. Elwell, re-licensed Dec. 1, 1896.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, June, and December, and third Tuesday of September.

Rev. Geo. E. Fisher, North Amherst, scribe.

12. MENDON, Organized November 8, 1751.

John F. Crosby,	'92, Mar. 30.	'94, Dec. 4.	*Dover, N. H.*	W. C.
Nathan T. Dyer,	'78, July 31.	'90, Dec. 9.	Ashburnham.	P.
Joseph M. R. Eaton,	'45, Jan. 9.	'71, Mar. 14.	*Redlands, Cal.*	W. C.
James W. Flagg,	'82, Oct. 25.	'93, June 13.	Foxboro.	P.
Rufus K. Harlow,	'68, Oct. 15.	'72, June 11.	Medway.	P. C.
Edward C. Hood,	'74, May 8.	'96, Dec. 1.	Hingham.	W. C.
Alexis W. Ide,	'59, July 7.	'72, June 12.	West Medway.	W. C.
Ephraim O. Jameson,	'60, Mar. 1.	'72, June 11.	Boston.	W. C.
Franklin C. Jones,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, April 7.	Dover.	P.
Charles W. Longren,	'87, Aug. 24.	'95, Feb. 12.	*Montrose, Col.*	P.
Francis J. Marsh,	'76, Mar. 26.	'82, Mar. 14.	Boston.	W. C.
William J. Minchin,	'96, June 10.	'99, Oct. 10.	Wrentham	P.
Edson J. Moore,	'61, April 1.	'86, Sept. 21.	Norfolk.	P.

12. MENDON (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Benjamin F. Perkins,	'65, Nov. 22.	'98, Oct. 4.	E. Walpole.	P.
Leroy M. Pierce.	'70, Feb. 4.	'98, Apr. 5.	Medfield.	P.
William L. Ropes,	'53, Sept. 14.	'53, Oct. 11.	Andover.	Librarian.
Isaiah W. Sneath,	'84, Feb. 27.	'99, April 19.	Franklin.	P. C.
Herman F. Swartz,	'98, July 27.	'98, Dec. 6.	Mansfield.	P. C.
George E. Sweet,	'90, June 30.	'99, Oct. 10.	West Medway.	P.
Albert H. Wheelock,	'88, July 3.	'94, Mar. 13.	Millis.	P.
Webster Woodbury,	'68, Sept. 29.	'88, June 13.	Milford.	P. C.
George F. Wright,	'75, July 14.	'98, Oct. 4.	*N. New Portland, Me.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, April, October, and December.

Rev. James W. Flagg, Foxboro, scribe.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH, Organized June 7, 1830.

Daniel E. Adams,	'60, Dec. 5.	'86, Dec. 7.	Wellesley Hills.	P.
George M. Adams,	'51, Sept. 18.	'73, Sept. 9.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Edward E. Bradley,	'93, June 20.	'94, Dec. 4.	Lincoln.	P. C.
Merle A. Breed,	'93, Nov. 21.	'97, May 4.	Westboro.	P. C.
S. Ingersoll Briant,	'68, April 22.	'99, Feb. 7.	Westboro.	W. C.
George A. Brock,	'91, June 29.	'92, May 3.	*Lockport, N. Y.*	P.
Irving A. Burnap,	'92, Sept. 15.	'97, Dec. 7.	S. Natick.	P.
Edward H. Chandler,	'92, Nov. 9.	'97, Sept. 21.	Wellesley.	P. C.
Daniel W. Clark,	'82, June 22.	'99, Dec. 5.	Ashland.	W. C.
Edmund Dowse,	'38, Oct. 10.	'39, Feb. 5.	Sherborn.	P. C.
Horace Dutton,	'68, Jan. 21.	'75, Sept. 21.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Lucius R. Eastman,	'62, May 1.	'71, Dec. 2.	Framingham.	P. C.
Fred E. Emrich,	'75, Sept. 16.	'90, Sept. 16.	So. Framingham.	P. C.
Prescott Fay,	'56, Feb. 27.	'96, Feb. 4.	Saxonville.	W. C.
Lincoln B. Goodrich,	'93, June 29.	'97, Sept. 21.	Marlboro.	P. C.
Robert F. Gordon,	'76, May 12.	'90, Feb. 4.	Boston.	P.
Theodore J. Holmes,	'59, Oct. 5.	'94, Sept. 18.	*Portsmouth, N. H.*	W. C.
Thomas C. Jackson,	'82, Aug.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Ironton, O.*	P. C.
James B. King,	'84, July .	'99, Sept. 19.	Hopkinton.	P.
George W. Lawrence,	'88, Feb. 14.	'99, Sept. 19.	Ashland.	W. C.
Martin F. Mevis,	'93, Sept. 18.	'94, May 1.	Southboro.	P.
Francis N. Peloubet,	'57, Dec. 2.	'72, Feb. 6.	Auburndale.	W. C.
William G. Puddefoot,	'88, Jan. 29.	'98, Dec. 6.	S. Framingham.	W. C.
Clarence W. Rouse,	'90, Dec. 4.	'95, Dec. 3.	S. Sudbury.	P. C.
Albert D. Smith,	'88, Oct. 4.	'97, Feb. 2.	Northboro.	P.
Frederic E. Sturgis,	'68, Oct. 1.	'86, May 6.	Natick.	P. C.
Arthur Titcomb,	'88, Oct. 31.	'00, Feb. 6.	Saxonville.	P.
Charles L. Tomblen,	'77, Aug. 30.	'95, Dec. 3.	N. Middleboro.	P.
Nicholas Vander Pyl,	'93, Sept. 13.	'96, May 5.	Holliston.	P. C.
Benjamin C. Wood,	'94, July .	'99, May 2.	Wayland.	P.
Harvey Woodward,	'74, April 20.	'98, Sept. 20.	Natick.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, May, and December, third Tuesday in September.

Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wellesley Hills, scribe.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION, Organized January, 1827.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James M. Bell,	'58, July 21.	'93, Nov. 21.	N. Leominster.	P.
Herbert W. Boyd,	'86, Nov. 5.	'98, Nov. 15.	Ashby.	P. C.
Charles S. Brooks,	'69, Sept. 15.	'87, Sept. 20.	*Clifton Springs, N. Y.*	W. C.
Wilson R. Buxton,	'94, May 2.	'94, Nov. 20.	So. Acton.	P.
Walter W. Campbell,	'90, Nov. 12.	'90, Nov. 18.	Concord.	W. C.
William O. Conrad,	'90, June 8.	'98, May 24.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
Bernard Copping,	'79, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 17.	Acton.	P. C.
Amelia A. Frost,	'94, Feb. 14.	'94, Nov. 20.	Littleton.	P. C.
George B. Frost,	'83, June 7.	'94, May 22.	Littleton.	W. C.
Henry H. Gay,	'89, April 16.	'92, Mar. 15.	Groton.	W. C.
Edward L. Gulick,	'89, Dec. 3.	'91, Sept. 15.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
John C. Handy,	'89,	'00, June 21.	Ayer.	P.
Harry L. Hartwell,	'95, Aug. 28.	'99, Nov. 21.	Dunstable.	P.
Charles S. Haynes,	'94, May 23.	'97, Sept. 21.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
George R. Hewitt,	'86, June 4.	'95, Mar. 19.	Lowell.	P.
Henry M. Holmes,	'65, May 10.	'79, Jan. 7.	Provincetown.	W. C.
Alfred S. Hudson,	'67, Dec. 19.	'84, Dec. 30.	Ayer.	P.
John E. B. Jewett,	'51, Sept. 10.	'61, May 7.	Pepperell.	W. C.
William C. Martyn,	'98, Nov. 29.	'99, Mar. 21.	Boxboro.	P. C.
Lyman Mevis,	'91, Oct. 1.	'99, Mar. 21.	Townsend.	W. C.
Joel D. Miller,	'66, April.	'71, July 5.	Leominster.	Editor.
Jason G. Miller,	'99, Sept. 12.	'99, Sept. 19.	Harvard.	P. C.
Frank E. Mills,	'78, Nov. 13.	'98, Mar. 15.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Horace Parker,	'61, May 31.	'64, Mar. 1.	W. Tisbury.	P.
Elijah H. Roper,	'97, Oct. 27.	'98, Jan. 17.	Westford.	P.
Charles H. Rowley,	'81, Feb. 23.	'86, Mar. 2.	Harwich.	P.
Geo. R. W. Scott,	'68, Sept. 17.	'81, Jan. 11.	Newton.	W. C.
George A. Tewksbury,	'63, Dec. 21.	'95, Sept. 17.	Concord.	P.
Nathan Thompson,	'65, Sept. 13.	'77, Sept. 4.	*Cheltenham, Md.*	W. C.
Ole O. Thorpe,	'94, Mar. 1.	'96, Jan. 21.	Concord.	W. C.
J. Brainerd Thrall,	'78, Dec. 8.	'98, Sept. 20.	Pepperell.	P.
Joseph Torrey,	'60, May 30.	'94, Jan. 16.	Shirley.	P.
Louis B. Voorhees,	'71, Dec. 6.	'94, May 22.	Groton.	P. C.
David Wallace,	'94, Aug. 22.	'97, Sept. 21.	Lunenburg.	P.
Charles H. Washburn,	'85, Dec. 2.	'99, Nov. 21.	Maynard.	P.
Franklin P. Wood,	'71, July 24.	'73, May 6.	Acton.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. William J. Batt, Concord Junction, scribe and treasurer.

15. Norfolk Association, Organized May 11, 1811.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Alexander,	'91, Oct. 29.	'96, April 21.	Roxbury.	Asst. P.
Henry Clay Alvord,	'79, Sept. 10.	'87, Feb. 15.	South Weymouth.	P. C.
Edward Anderson,	'58, Oct. 13.	'98, Dec. 20.	Quincy.	P.
Andrew W. Archibald,	'76, Aug. 24.	'9 ', June 15.	Brockton.	P. C.
George Benedict,	'83, Oct. 9.	'98, Dec. 20.	North Abington.	P.
E. Victor Bigelow,	'91, Sept. 24.	'91, Dec. 15.	Cohasset.	P. C.
Henry E. Bray,	'89, Jan. 30.	'99, Dec. 19.	Stoughton.	P.
Frank E. Butler,	'87, June 22.	'96, Dec. 15.	South Weymouth.	P.
Edward C. Camp,	'94, Oct. 10.	'99, April 18.	Whitman.	P. C.
Almon J. Dyer,	'86, June 4.	'98, Feb. 15.	Sharon.	P. C.
Augustus H. Fuller,	'78, Oct. 17.	'95, Feb. 19.	Easton Center.	P.
DeMont Goodyear,	'00, Jan. 31.	'00, April 17.	Abington.	P. C.
Edwin N. Hardy,	'90, Nov. 6.	'95, Dec. 17.	Quincy.	P. C.
Calvin G. Hill,	'72, Sept. 5.	'84, June 10.	Milton.	W. C.
Charles A. Hilton,	'73, June 9.	'94, Feb. 20.	Randolph.	P. C.
Alan Hudson,	'92, Dec. 28.	'93, April 18.	Brockton.	P. C.
Henry S. Huntington,	'66, Jan. 31.	'91, Oct. 17.	Milton.	P.
Robert R. Kendall,	'78, Jan. 30.	'92, Dec. 20.	Weymouth Heights.	P. C.
Joseph Kyte,	'62, Sept. 25.	'96, Feb. 18.	*N. Anson, Me.*	P.
John M. Lord,	'51, Dec. 21.	'93, Dec. 19.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Warren F. Low,	'94, Sept. 4.	'95, Feb. 19.	Holbrook.	P. C.
Samuel Morrison,	'65, Oct. 24.	'90, Oct. 28.	Braintree.	W. C.
Andrew H. Mulnix,	'98, Feb. 3.	'99, Oct. 31.	E. Milton.	P. C.
Edwin L. Noble,	'96, May 18.	'98, June 14.	Neponset.	P. C.
Edward Norton,	'64, Dec. 28.	'75, Jan. 26.	Quincy.	P. Em.
Frank H. Palmer,	'80, Sept. 28.	'86, April 20.	Braintree.	W. C.
Frank Park,	'95, July 16.	'99, April 18.	Beechwood.	P.
Albert F. Pierce,	'77, Sept. 3.	'99, April 18.	Campello.	P. C.
Francis A. Poole,	'93, July 12.	'00, April 17.	E. Weymouth.	P. C.
Elbert S. Porter,	'83, Dec. 19.	'89, Oct. 29.	Bridgewater.	P. C.
Caleb L. Rotch,	'79, Oct. 9.	'97, Oct. 26.	N. Rochester.	P.
Henry S. Snyder,	'85, Oct. 28.	'98, Feb. 15.	Weymouth.	P.
Albert K. Teele.	'45, July 15.	'52, April 27.	Milton.	P. Em.
Arthur Truslow,	'96, Sept. 30.	'99, Oct. 31.	Hingham.	P.
Thomas H. Vincent,	'89, Feb. 6.	'97, Dec. 28.	N. Weymouth.	P.
Isaac C. White,	'50, Oct. 23.	'90, June 10.	Plymouth.	W. C.
Granville Yager,	'76, June 20.	'98, Dec. 20.	E. Bridgewater.	W. C.

Stated Meetings. — Last Tuesday in October, third Tuesdays in December, February, and April, and second Tuesday in June.

Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Sharon, scribe and treasurer.

16. Old Colony, Organized August 18, 1810.

Harry L. Brickett,	'83, May 23.	'96, Feb. 12.	Marion.	P. C.
William Carruthers,	'58, June 16.	'92, Feb. 10.	Holyoke.	C. M.
John Graham,	'90, Jan. 17.	'90, Feb. 12.	*Sheldon, Vt.*	P.
Henry M. Grant,	'63, Nov. 17.	'79, Oct. 22.	*Eau Claire, Wis.*	W. C.
Charles F. Hersey,	'93, Jan. 25.	'94, Nov. 14.	New Bedford.	W. C.

16. Old Colony (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Robert Humphrey,	'83, July 17.	'97, Feb. 10.	Mattapoisett.	P.
Matthew C. Julien,	'72, Dec. 11.	'78, July 30.	New Bedford.	P. C.
John A. MacColl,	'83, Jan. 31.	'90, Feb. 12.	New Bedford.	P. C.
Robert L. Rae,	'89, Oct. 14.	'90, Feb. 12.	Brockton.	P.
George W. Stearns,	'83, Aug. 1.	'95, Nov. 13.	Middleboro.	P. C.
Richard G. Woodbridge,	'81, April 6.	'94, Nov. 14.	Middleboro.	P. C.
I. Herbert Yeoman,	'77, Jan. 25.	'98, Nov. 11.	Tewksbury.	P.

Stated Meetings. — Second Wednesdays in February, May, and November.
Rev. Robert L. Rae, 12 Argyle avenue, Brockton, scribe.

17. Plymouth, Organized May 18, 1858.

Haig Adadourian,	'97, Nov. 3.	'97, Nov. 16.	Manomet.	P.
Charles S. Bates,	'90, June 6.	'97, Nov. 16.	Otis.	P.
John W. Brownville,	'73, Dec. 18.	'85, Nov. 17.	Hanover.	W. C.
Austin S. Chase,	'76, Dec. 14.	'93, May 8.	*E. Hartford, Ct.*	W. C.
Zenas Crowell,	'77, Dec. 19.	'86, Nov. 16.	Attleboro Falls.	P.
Oscar F. Davis,	'95, Jan. 16.	'95, Nov. 19.	*Emington, Ill.*	W. C.
Alfred DeBarritt,	'95, May 31.	'97, Nov. 16.	*Havana, Cuba.*	P.
Washington H. Forbes,	'81, July 1.	'98, Oct. 25.	South Dennis.	P.
Jesse H. Jones,	'61, May 19.	'99, March 7.	Halifax,	P.
Frederic W. Manning,	'91, Dec. 31.	'92, Aug. 16.	Marshfield.	P. C.
Solomon G. Merrick,	'86, Sept. 2.	'96, Nov. 17.	*Cocoanut Grove, Fla.*	W. C.
Francis Moon,	'80, July 2.	'89, Nov. 19.	Chiltonville.	W. C.
Ernest W. Shurtleff,	'89, Nov. 16.	'92, Aug. 16.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	P. C.
John Wild,	'92, April 20.	'92, Aug. 16.	Hanover.	P.
George W. Wright,	'77, Dec. 5.	'93, Nov. 21.	Boston.	W. C.

Licentiate. — James I. Thomas, Halifax.
Stated Meetings. — Third Tuesdays in February, May, August, and November.
Rev. F. W. Manning, Marshfield, scribe.

18. Suffolk North, Organized July 2, 1822.

Milan C. Ayres,	'74, May 30.	'85, Feb. 15.	Roxbury.	Editor.
David N. Beach,	'76, June 15.	'85, Feb. 17.	*Denver, Colo.*	P. C.
Reuben A. Beard,	'79, Sept. 10.	'98, Jan. 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Joseph P. Bixby,	'62, April 30.	'79, Sept. 16.	Revere.	W. C.
Howard A. Bridgman,	'90, Nov. 19.	'87, Dec. 13.	Brookline.	Editor.
G. Wolcott Brooks,	'77, Oct. 10.	'85, April 21.	Dorchester.	P.
Samuel C. Bushnell,	'79, June 4.	'90, May 28.	Arlington.	P. C.
Charles M. Carpenter,	'90, April 22.	'95, Feb. 6.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Samuel M. Cathcart,	'96, Dec. 1.	'97, May 25.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Charles F. Crathern,	'86, Sept. 1.	'93, Dec. 6.	Braintree.	P.
George Darling,	'50, July 12.	'93, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William C. Detling,	'97, Mar. 3.	'95, Oct. 30.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
M. Angelo Dougherty,	'69, June 15.	'87, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Walter S. Eaton,	'91, April 26.	'94, Feb. 7.	Revere.	P. C
Robert E Ely,	'90, Dec. 11.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridgeport.	W. C
Daniel Evans,	'91, May 26.	'00, Jan. 30.	N. Cambridge.	P. C.
Oren B. Fisher,	'75, Sept. 28.	'99, May 31.	E. Boston.	P. C.
William B. Forbush,	'92, Feb. 17.	'98, Sept. 27.	Boston.	P. C.
George H. Gutterson,	'78, Dec. 3.	'95, June 10.	Winchester.	Sect.
Sam'l E. Herrick,	'63, Oct. 13.	'65, Feb. 21.	Boston.	P. C.
John V. Hilton,	'60, July.	'77, Dec. 18.	*Boulder, Col.*	W. C.
Elijah Horr,	'67, Apr. 21.	'97, Nov. 30.	Malden.	W. C.
Ross C. Houghton,	'69, April 18.	'95, June 10.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Frank H. Kasson,	'79, Nov. 13.	'83, Sept. 18.	Boston.	Editor.
Horace H. Leavitt,	'73, June 19.	'95, Feb. 6.	Somerville.	P. C.
Duncan McDermid,	'86, Oct. 28.	'93, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
Robert A. MacFadden,	'96, June 16.	'98, Sept. 27.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Alexander McKenzie,	'61, Aug. 28.	'67, April 16.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Peter McQueen,	'91, May 8.	'93, Oct. 4.	Somerville.	C.
William J. Murray,	'79, April 28.	'00, March 27.	Beachmont.	P.
Sylvester S. Nickerson,	'76, Dec. 26.	'89, Sept. 25.	Boston.	P.
Charles L. Noyes,	'80, Mar. 29.	'83, Feb. 20.	Somerville.	P. C.
Leonard S. Parker,	'38, Dec. 16.	'87, Feb. 8.	North Cambridge.	A. P.
Lawrence Phelps,	'78, Sept. 5.	'92, April 5.	Leominster.	W. C.
Charles H. Pope,	'65, July 27.	'97, Mar. 30.	Cambridge.	P.
Frank E. Ramsdell,	'91, June 30.	'97, May 25.	*New York, N. Y.*	P. C.
Edward K. Rawson,	'72, Oct. 9.	'83, April 10.	*Annapolis, Md.*	Chaplain.
James H. Ross,	'78, Feb. 22.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridge.	W. C.
P. Thomas Stanford,	'78, Sept. 26,	'99, May 31.	N. Cambridge.	W. C.
Alfred E. Stembridge,	'92, Mar. 28.	'98, Sept. 27.	Arlington Heights.	W. C.
William I. Sweet,	'87, April 19.	'98, May 31.	Everett.	P.
Charles H. Talmage,	'82, Sept. 18.	'99, Nov. 28.	Cambridge.	W. C.
John G. Taylor,	'73, Jan. 9.	'00, Jan. 30.	Arlington Heights.	P.
Edward Sampson Tead,	'78, Sept. 17.	'86, Feb. 12.	Somerville.	P. C.
Edward P. Tenney,	'58, Oct. 19.	'0[illegible], Jan. 30.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Calvin Terry,	'46, Dec. 20.	'61, June 18.	North Weymouth.	W. C.
C. A. G. Thurston,	'77, Oct. 17.	'00, March 27.	Somerville.	W. C.
Charles F. Thwing,	'79, Sept.	'79, Dec. 16.	*Cleveland, O.*	Pres.
Robert W. Wallace,	'72, May 26.	'97, Nov. 30.	Somerville.	P. C.
George Washburn,	'63, July 29.	'78, Oct. 13.	*Constantinople.*	Pres. Coll.
George Y. Washburn,	'82, April 26.	'00, Jan. 30.	Everett	W. C.
Aquilla Webb,	'99, Feb. 9.	'99, May 31.	Everett.	P.
Charles H. Williams,	'99, Oct. 19.	'00, Jan. 30.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Albert E. Winship,	'75, Mar. 17.	'76, June 13.	Somerville.	Editor.
James C. Young,	'91, Aug. 25.	'97, Nov. 30.	E. Boston.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Charles R. Blood, 1898; George E. Kinney, 1898.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. S. M. Cathcart, Chelsea, scribe.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH, Organized January 27, 1829.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Allbright,	'79, June 6.	'91, Mar. 11.	Roxbury.	P.
Charles H. Beale,	'80, April 5.	'95, Jan. 16.	Roxbury.	P. C.
William T. Beale,	'82, June 7.	'99, May 10.	Dorchester.	P.
Warren F. Bickford,	'76, June 20.	'92, May 11.	Islington.	S.
George M. Boynton,	'63, Oct. 28.	'80, Nov. 10.	Newton Center.	Sec.
Seelye Bryant,	'90, Oct. 1.	'00, Mar. 14.	Canton.	P. C.
William R. Campbell,	'81, Oct. 12.	'81, Nov. 9.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Edward A. Chase,	'84, May 28.	'00, Jan. 24.	Wollaston,	P. C.
Francis E. Clark,	'76, Oct. 19.	'84, Jan. 16.	Auburndale.	Y. P. S. C. E.
Alfred E. Colton,	'84, May 28.	'99, Nov. 8.	Dorchester.	Sect.
Perley B. Davis,	'62, Jan. 29.	'63, July 7.	W. Roxbury.	W. C.
Morton Dexter,	'73, April 30.	'84, Mar. 12.	Boston.	Editor.
Charles A. Dickinson,	'79, Sept. 27.	'99, Nov. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Charles A. Dinsmore,	'85, July 20.	'96, Mar. 18.	South Boston.	P. C.
Albert E. Dunning,	'70, Sept. 29.	'71, Jan. 2.	Brookline.	Editor.
Percy H. Epler,	'98, May 26.	'98, Sept. 14.	South Boston.	Asst. P.
Solomon P. Fay,	'49, Sept. 6.	'82, Mar. 8.	Dorchester.	W. C.
George H. Flint,	'94, Oct. 22.	'96, Jan. 15.	Dorchester.	P.
Addison P. Foster,	'66, Oct. 3.	'86, May 4.	Auburndale.	Sect. A. S. S. U.
William Gallagher,	'74, Dec. 1.	'98, Jan. 12.	S. Braintree.	Prin.
Richard B. Grover,	'81, Oct. 4.	'92, May 11.	Roslindale.	W. C.
Benj. F. Hamilton,	'65, June 28.	'72, Mar. 12.	Roxbury.	W. C.
John A. Hamilton,	'61, Jan. 29.	'85, May 13.	Newton.	Sec. A. E. S.
Harry O. Hannum,	'96, Sept. 16.	'00, Mar. 14.	Boston.	Assist. P.
Henry N. Hoyt,	'76, May 22.	'98, May 11.	Hyde Park.	P. C.
Albion H. Johnson,	'65, Oct. 13.	'83, May 9.	*California.*	W. C.
William S. Kelsey,	'85, May 27.	'99, May 10.	Allston.	Assoc. P.
John L. Kilbon,	'89, June 28.	'92, Sept. 14.	Newton Center.	Editor.
Frederick T. Knight,	'97, Oct. 5.	'97, Nov. 10.	Wollaston.	P.
Arthur Little,	'63, Mar. 16.	'89, Sept. 18.	Dorchester.	P. C.
Achilles L. Loder,	'77, May 8.	'91, Nov. 5.	Hyde Park.	P.
Samuel L. Loomis,	'80, Oct. 14.	'97, Sept. 29.	Newton.	P. C.
Charles D. Lothrop,	'54, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Ellis Mendell,	'79, June 4.	'80, May 12.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Frank W. Merrick,	'91, Oct. 12.	'91, Nov. 5.	W. Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Morgan,	'76, Mar. 15.	'95, Jan. 16.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Cyrus P. Osborne,	'65, Nov. 2.	'00, Jan. 24.	Jamaica Plain.	Sect.
Charles A. Perry,	'82, Nov. 16.	'96, Jan. 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
Albert H. Plumb,	'58, Nov. 10.	'85, Jan. 14.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Winfred C. Rhoades,	'99, May 17.	'00, Mar. 14.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Joseph B. Seabury,	'75, Sept. 8.	'85, May 13.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
Charles B. Smith,	'48, Nov. 12.	'79, July 9.	West Medford.	W. C.
Judson Smith,	'66, Oct. 17.	'85, Mar. 11.	Roxbury.	A. B. C. F. M.
George F. Stanton,	'66, June 6.	'90, Jan. 15.	Boston.	W. C.
Herbert W. Stebbins,	'83, Aug. 28.	'97, Sept. 29.	*Europe.*	W. C.
A. C. Thompson,	'42, July 27.	'42, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	P. C.
James S. Voorhees,	'84, July 9.	'00, Mar. 14.	Roslindale.	P. C.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Eugene C. Webster,	'90, May 28.	'94, Sept. 19.	Neponset.	W. C.
Charles F. Weeden,	'88, April 4.	'96, Jan. 15.	Norwood.	P. C.
John H. Whitaker,	'93, Dec. 19.	'98, May 11.	Atlantic.	P.
Cyrus L. D. Younkin,	'93, April 8.	'92, Mar. 9.	Boston.	M.

Licentiates. — Arthur P. Pratt; Samuel A. Brown; Benjamin T. Marshall.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, September, and November.

Rev. George H. Flint, Boston, scribe and treasurer.

20. SUFFOLK WEST, Organized January 8, 1867.

James L. Barton,	'85, June 29.	'97, Feb. 8.	Newton Cen.	A.B.C.F.M.
William E. Barton,	'85, June 6.	'93, June 12.	*Oak Park, Ill.*	P. C.
Adolph A. Berle,	'87, Sept. 14.	'91, Dec. 14.	Brighton.	P. C.
Erastus Blakeslee,	'80, Feb. 17.	'94, Feb. 12.	Brookline.	W. C.
Ezra H. Byington,	'59, Feb. 23.	'91, Feb. 9.	Newton.	W. C.
George H. Cate,	'79, April 2.	'94, June 11.	Boston.	Sect.
Edward L. Clark,	'61, Aug. 8.	'93, April 11.	Boston.	P. C.
William H. Cobb,	'72, April 18.	'88, June 11.	Newton Cen.	Cong. Lib.
Calvin Cutler,	'62, Mar. 12.	'68, Feb. 4.	Auburndale.	P. C. Em.
Charles H. Daniels,	'73, Nov. 20.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton. Sec.	A.B.C.F.M.
Ozora S. Davis,	'96, Sept. 14.	'00, June 11.	Newtonville.	P. C.
William H. Davis,	'77, July 5.	'96, Oct. 12.	Newton.	P. C.
Samuel W. Dike,	'69, Feb. 8	'87, Oct. 11.	Auburndale, Sec.	N.D.R.L.
Parris T. Farwell,	'83, Oct. 23.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	P. C.
Bradford M. Fullerton,	'68, Feb. 12.	'81, Dec. 18.	Brockton.	W. C.
George P. Gilman,	'72, Aug. 28.	'85, Oct. 6.	Waverley.	P.
George A. Gordon,	'77, Jan. 20.	'86, April 20.	Boston.	P. C.
Daniel Green,	'79, Dec. 18.	'94, Feb. 12.	*Stratham, N. H.*	P.
William E. Griffis,	'77, May 31.	'86, Dec. 14.	*Ithaca, N. Y.*	P. C.
John O. Haarvig,	'83, Oct. 13.	'95, Dec. 9.	Allston.	P. C.
Harris G. Hale,	'91, Sept. 3.	'97, April 12.	Brookline.	P. C.
Charles E. Harrington,	'74, Oct. 27.	'95, Dec. 9.	Waltham.	P. C.
Ralph J. Haughton,	'91, Nov. 24.	'99, Oct. 9.	Needham.	P.
Charles E. Havens,	'81, Sept. 15.	'94, April 9.	Newton Highlands.	P. C.
George A. Hood,	'69, Sept. 30.	'96, Feb. 10.	Boston. Sec. C. C.	B. S.
Edwin Leonard,	'52, Mar. 25.	'93, Dec. 11.	Melrose Highlands.	W. C.
Oscar Lindegren,	'93, Dec. 7	'00, June 11.	East Boston.	Miss.
George A. Matthews,	'95, April 3.	'98, Dec. 19.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Darius A. Morehouse,	'65, June 18.	'90, Dec. 3.	Newton Center.	W. C.
Edward M. Noyes,	'83, Sept. 26.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton Center.	P. C.
Henry E. Oxnard,	'94, Nov. 13.	'00, Feb. 13.	Newton.	P.
Henry J. Patrick,	'54, Nov. 16.	'67, Jan. 8.	Newtonville.	P. C. Em.
George G. Phipps,	'68, Jan. 23.	'78, Dec. 10.	Newton Highlands.	W. C.
Edward C. Porter,	'84, June 24.	'90, Feb. 10.	Watertown.	P. C.
Theodore P. Prudden,	'74, Dec. 22.	'94, Dec. 10.	W. Newton.	P. C.

20. SUFFOLK WEST (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Isaac O. Rankin,	'80, July 21.	'96, June 8.	*Peekskill, N. Y.*	W. C.
Oliver D. Sewall,	'92, Sept. 27.	'97, Oct. 11.	Brookline.	Assist. P.
William S. Smith,	'54, April 27.	'74, Dec. 8.	Worcester.	W. C.
Charles M. Southgate,	'70, Dec. 15.	'96, Feb. 10.	Auburndale.	P. C.
S. Lewis B. Speare,	'74, Jan. 30.	'96, Dec. 14.	Newton.	W. C.
E. Ellsworth Strong,	'59, April 10.	'67, April 8.	Auburndale.	Editor.
Reuen Thomas,	'58, Dec. 7.	'76, Feb. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Alexander S. Twombly,	'59, Feb. 10.	'93, April 11.	Newton.	W. C.
Avery S. Walker,	'57, June 15.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
Edwin B. Webb,	'50, Sept. 11.	'67, Jan. 8.	Wellesley.	P. Em.
Elbridge C. Whiting,	'91, Sept. 30.	'00, June 11.	Belmont.	P.

Licentiates. — Arthur W. Kelly, Auburndale, renewed, 1897; Edward P. Kelly, Auburndale, renewed, 1899.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Mondays of February, April, June, October, and December.

Rev. Ezra H. Byington, Newton, scribe.

21. TAUNTON, Organized November 21, 1826.

Wm. W. Adams,	'60, Jan. 26.	'64, Nov. 29.	Fall River.	P. C.
James A. Anderson,	'89, Oct. 10.	'00, Jan. 17.	Somerset.	P.
Franklin K. Beem,	'95, July 18.	'95, Nov. 13.		W. C.
Samuel V. Cole,	'89, Oct. 29.	'89, Nov. 13.	Norton.	Pres. Sem.
S. Hopkins Emery,	'37, Nov. 23.	'75, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	W. C.
James E. Enman,	'95, Dec. 31,	'00, Jan. 17.	Fall River.	P. C.
Francis A. Fate,	'94, Nov. 1.	'98, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
Wilson S. Fritch,	'93, April 26.	'00, Jan. 17.	Attleboro.	P. C.
Charles E. Harris, Jr.,	'94, Oct. 9.	'98, Nov. 9.	Norton.	P.
Elwin L. House,	'88, April 22.	'94, May 8.	*Providence, R. I.*	P.
William Knight,	'86, Sept. 4.	'98, Nov. 9.	Fall River.	P. C.
Dorrall Lee,	'74, Sept. 16.	'99, Nov. 8.	North Dighton.	P.
Halah H. Loud,	'97, Dec. 16.	'98, Jan. 12.	E. Taunton.	P.
Frank L. Luce,	'95, Nov. 6.	'98, May 11.	Taunton.	P. C.
Payson W. Lyman,	'71, May 10.	'89, May 8.	Fall River.	P. C.
Henry G. Megathlin,	'96, Dec. 19.	'97, Jan. 13.	Boston.	W. C.
Sidney K. B. Perkins,	'60, Jan. 11.	'88, Jan. 11.	Raynham.	W. C.
Edward N. Pomeroy,	'68, Nov. 11.	'82, May 10.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Charles A. Ratcliffe,	'91, April.	'97, Mar. 10.	N. Attleboro.	P.
Samuel P. Rondeau,	'92, Nov. 22.	'98, Mar. 9.	Fall River.	P.
William F. Warren,	'78, Oct. 13.	'98, Nov. 9.	Freetown.	P.
Charles B. Wathen,	'83, June 14.	'98, Mar. 9.	Rehoboth.	P.
T. Clayton Welles,	'72, Oct. 25.	'92, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
John Whitehill,	'61, Dec. 11.	'69, Nov. 10.	Oldtown.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, and November.

Rev. Payson W. Lyman, Fall River, scribe and treasurer.

22. WOBURN, Organized September, 1833.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles Anderson,	'74, Sept. 2.	'74, Sept. 15.	*Constantinople.*	Robt. C.
A. Herbert Armes,	'89, Dec. 18.	'99, Oct. 31.	Carlisle.	P.
William F. Bacon,	'67, Sept. 26.	'90, Feb. 4.	Medford.	W. C.
John Barstow,	'87, June 29.	'95, Feb. 19.	Medford.	P. C.
William J. Batt,	'59, Sept. 29.	'59, Nov. 15.	Concord Junc.	Chaplain.
Charles E. Beals,	'94, April 8.	'98, Nov. 1.	Stoneham.	P. C.
Theodore P. Berle,	'93, Oct. 3.	'93, Oct. 17.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Charles R. Bliss,	'59, April 28.	'62, Nov. 18.	Wakefield.	W. C.
Wolcott Calkins,*	'62, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Newton.	P.
Charles F. Carter,	'83, Sept. 13.	'97, Feb. 17.	Lexington.	P. C.
Judson Van Clancy,	'87, Sept. 7.	'96, Mar. 17.	W. Medford.	P. C.
Joshua Coit,	'60, Nov. 13.	'89, Jan. 29.	Winchester.	H. M. Sec.
Eugene E. Colburn,	'75, Sept. 18.	'98, Nov. 15.	No. Reading.	P.
Marshall M. Cutter,	'68, Dec. 29.	'74, Nov. 17.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert P. Davis,	'94, Nov. 22.	'95, Feb. 19.	Wakefield.	P. C.
Walter A. Evans,	'86, June 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	*Fenton, Mich.*	W. C.
James L. Fowle,	'78, July 3.	'98, Nov. 15.	*Turkey.*	F. M.
Henry H. French,	'86, April 25.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	P. C.
Henry H. Hamilton,	'72, Sept. 1.	'98, Nov. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Cyrus Hamlin,	'38, Oct. 3.	'91, Dec. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	'67, Oct. 17.	'86, Mar. 16.	S. Braintree.	W. C.
Robert W. Haskins,	'72, Oct. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Reading.	W. C.
Henry A. Hazen,	'58, Feb. 17.	'74, Sept. 15.	Auburndale.	Sec. N. C.
James L. Hill,	'75, Sept. 15.	'87, June 13.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank S. Hunnewell,	'88, June 27.	'99, Feb. 21.	Reading.	P. C.
Burke F. Leavitt,	'73, May 7.	'95, Jan. 29.	Melrose Highlands.	P. C.
Elihu Loomis,	'51, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Bedford.	W. C.
George E. Lovejoy,	'73, July 16.	'94, May 9.	*Pittsfield, N. H.*	P. C.
Thomas MacBriar,	'90, Jan. 15.	'98, Nov. 15.	Melrose.	W. C.
Daniel March,	'45, April 25.	'77, May 15.	Woburn.	P. C. Em.
Truman A. Merrill,	'58, July 14.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	W. C.
Robert D. Miller,	'56, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Malden.	W. C.
D. Augustine Newton,	'82, Sept. 21.	'85, Dec. 16.	Winchester.	P. C.
Isaac Pierson,	'70, Mar. 30.	'96, Oct. 8.	S. Medford.	P.
Doremus Scudder,	'85, June 17.	'95, Dec. 17.	Woburn.	P. C.
Thomas Sims,	'75, June 9.	'98, Nov. 1.	Melrose.	P.
Edwin Smith,	'65, Jan. 11.	'88, May 1.	Ballardvale.	P.
George H. Tilton,	'73, June 4.	'98, Nov. 15.	No. Woburn.	P.
Peter Vincentius,	'88, Aug. 19.	'89, Jan. 29.	East Boston.	P.
Joshua W. Wellman,	'51, June 18.	'74, Mar. 17.	Malden.	W. C.
William H. Willcox,	'50, Mar. 5.	'58, Jan. 19.	Malden.	W. C.
J. Christopher Williams,	'90, Feb. 23.	'99, Feb. 21.	Linden.	P.

Licentiate. — Albert V. Fisher.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, September, and November.

Rev. Albert P. Davis, Wakefield, scribe and treasurer.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL, Organized November 4, 1823.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
August L. Anderson,	'86, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	Worcester.	P.
Thomas E. Babb,	'69, Jan. 19.	'94, April 3.	Holden.	P. C.
Orange C. Bailey,	'85, Oct. 13.	'94, Nov. 13.	Worcester.	P. C.
Albert E. Bradstreet,	'88, Aug. 30.	'95, Nov. 12.	*Lemon Grove, Cal.*	P.
Sherman W. Brown,	'93, June 6.	'96, Nov. 10.	Spencer.	P. C.
Albert Bryant,	'65, Sept 20.	'86, Feb. 2.	Scituate Center.	P.
Edward M. Chapman,	'90, Sept. 9.	'93, Nov. 14.	*St. Johnsbury, Vt.*	P. C.
Arcturus Z. Conrad,	'85, June 2.	'90, Feb. 3.	Worcester.	P. C.
Amos H. Coolidge,	'57, April 21.	'67, July 7.	Worcester.	W. C.
Samuel B. Cooper,	'87, June 19.	'99, Feb. 7.	Boylston.	P.
Sidney Crawford,	'70, Dec. 8.	'93, Nov. 14.	Provincetown.	P.
Joseph W. Cross,	'34, Oct. 1.	'41, Jan. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.
William N. T. Dean,	'75, Feb. 3.	'89, Feb. 5.	Whately.	P.
Austin Dodge,	'66, Oct. 6.	'90, Feb. 4.	Burlington.	P.
George S. Dodge,	'72, Aug. 16.	'78, May 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Dodge,	'83, Sept. 25.	'84, Feb. 5.	Worcester.	P.
Henry C. Fay,	'58, Dec. 28.	'81, May 2.	Somerville.	W. C.
Walcott Fay,	'84, Feb. 20.	'90, Feb. 4.	Nantucket.	P.
Samuel A. Harlow,	'82, Oct. 15.	'96, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Hurlbut,	'75, Mar. 24.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
William W. Jordan,	'84, Oct. 9.	'94, Nov. 13.	Clinton.	P. C.
Edward A. Lathrop,	'95, Nov. 26.	'97, April 6.	Shrewsbury.	P.
Alexander Lewis,	'90, May 28.	'96, April 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Joseph F. Lovering,	'60, June 17.	'88, April 3.		W. C.
Archibald McCullagh,	'71, May 2.	'91, April 27.	Worcester.	P. C.
Henry F. Markham,	'80, Sept.	'95, Nov. 12.	*Portis, Kan.*	W. C.
John H. Matthews,	'91, May 5.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P.
Daniel Merriman,	'68, Sept. 30.	'78, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	W. C.
Eldridge Mix,	'60, Dec. 6.	'94, April 3.	Worcester.	C. M.
Ellsworth W. Phillips,	'91, Oct. 19.	'92, Feb. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles M. Pierce,	'63, Sept. 2.	'91, Feb 3.	Auburn.	P. C.
George H. Pratt,	'60, Oct. 11.	'94, Nov. 13.	Charlemont.	P.
David C. Reid,	'84, July 29.	'96, April 7.	Leicester.	P. C.
Casper F. Scherff,	'76, April 9.	'90.	Clinton.	P.
Willard Scott,	'79, Oct. 29.	'99, Feb. 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
William T. Sleeper,	'54, June 29.	'54, Sept. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.
Rufus M. Taft,	'93, June 16.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	Evan.
Albert G. Todd,	'90, June 10.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Tuttle,	'83, May 22.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
John Udd,	'96, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles A. White,	'73, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 10.	Princeton.	P.
Inman L. Willcox,	'89, Oct. 18.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February and April, and second Tuesday in November.

Rev. E. A. Lathrop, Shrewsbury, scribe.

24. WORCESTER NORTH, Organized June 18, 1818.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James A. Bates,	'60, Sept. 19.	'99, April 25.	S. Royalston.	P.
Rolla G. Bugbee,	'76, Nov. 8.	'98, Jan. 25.	Athol.	P.
Joseph S. Cogswell,	'68, Nov. 14.	'94, Jan. 23.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
Preston R. Crowell,	'90, Sept. 4.	'98, July 12.	Phillipston.	P.
Francis J. Fairbanks,	'64, Aug. 31.	'95, July 9.	Royalston.	P.
Robert J. Floody,	'87, Sept. 7.	'98, April 26.	Boston.	W. C.
Davis Foster,	'55, Nov. 1.	'69, Nov. 27.	Winchendon.	P. C.
John H. Garman,	'47, Nov. 3.	'66, Oct. 2.	North Orange.	W. C.
Burton S. Gilman,	'97, May 16.	'97, April 26.	Gardner.	P. C.
Edwin S. Gould,	'73, Oct. 1.	'94, Jan. 23.	*Providence, R. I.*	W. C.
John W. Hird,	'79, Mar. 19.	'91, April 28.	Baldwinville.	P.
Milan H. Hitchcock,	'57, Aug. 25.	'63, April 28.	Hubbardston.	P.
Albert V. House,	'94, June 20.	'95, April 23.	New Salem.	P.
Gustavus W. Jones,	'69, May 27.	'91, April 28.	Winchendon.	P.
Gabriel B. Kambour,	'93, April 5.	'93, April 25.	Templeton.	P. C.
Francis B. Knowlton,	'65, Aug. 29.	'86, Jan. 26.	Athol.	W. C.
John W. Lees,	'70, Nov. 16.	'96, April 28.	Westminster.	P.
George J. Pierce,	'72, Aug. 8.	'82, April 25.	Phillipston.	W. C.

Licentiate. — Aubrey C. Gilmore.

STATED MEETINGS. — Fourth Tuesdays in January, April, and October, and second Tuesday in July.

Rev. Francis B. Knowlton, Athol, scribe.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH, Organized in 1818.

Frederic A. Balcom,	'82, Jan. 9.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Saylesville, R. I.*	P.
Ernest M. Bartlett,	'97, Oct. 19.	'98, June 14.	Northbridge.	P. C.
William A. Benedict,	'49, June 27.	'76, Oct. 10.	Newton Center.	W. C.
Henry A. Blake,	'76, Sept. 13.	'89, Oct. 8.	Webster.	W. C.
Frank L. Bristol,	'75, Oct. 25.	'88, Oct. 9.	Uxbridge.	P.
James H. Childs,	'75, Oct. 7.	'85, Jan. 13.	Northbridge.	P.
David M. Didriksen,	'92, July 13.	'92, Oct. 11.	Millville.	W. C.
George P. Eastman,	'91, May 12.	'92, Jan. 12.	Millbury.	P. C.
John C. Hall,	'90, May 20.	'92, Jan. 12.	Sutton.	P. C.
David Howie,	'89, Feb. 27.	'94, Oct. 9.	Saundersville.	P.
Aaron B. Peffers,	'55, May 29.	'93, April 11.	Stoneham.	W. C.
Charles P. Pierce,	'98, Nov. 15.	'98, June 14.	E. Douglas.	P.
George A. Putnam,	'60, Nov. 14.	'71, Oct. 17.	Millbury.	P. C.
Benjamin A. Robie,	'66, Mar. 22.	'84, Oct. 14.	Grafton.	P.
Walter H. Rollins,	'98, Aug. 26,	'99, Mar. 14.	Blackstone.	P.
John R. Thurston,	'59, Jan. 20.	'72, Jan. 9.	Whitinsville.	P. C.
Alexander Wiswall,	'79, Sept. 24.	'94, Jan. 9.	Upton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in March, June, September, and December.

Rev. James H. Childs, Northbridge, scribe.

FIFTH-YEAR STATISTICS.

CITY OR TOWN.	VALUE OF CHURCH.	YEAR OF ERECTION	VALUE OF PARSONAGE.	INVESTED FUNDS.	INDEBTEDNESS	SALARY.
Abington,	$11,500	'48	$3,000	$1,000	$1,000	$900
" North,	5,000	'39	0	0	0	780
Acton,	6,000	'46	2,000	9,000	0	800
" South,	8,100	'92	0	0	0	900
Adams,	75,000	'67	6,000	0	7,000	2,000
Agawam, F'd'g Hills,	3,000	'34	2,000	8,000	0	700
"	4,000	'30	2,500	8,700	1,100	800
Amesbury, Main st.,	15,000	'32	4,500	0	3,250	2,000
" Union,	9,000	'35	2,000	7,500	0	1,000
Amherst, 1st,	50,000	'68	5,500	0	0	2,000
" 2d,	7,500	'39	2,500	4,000	200	800
" College,	0		0	0	0	0
" North,	7,000	'26	3,000	4,000	350	1,000
" South,	10,000	'25	1,200	500	0	650
Andover, South,	25,000	'60	0	20,000	400	2,000
" West,	9,000	'26	1,750	1,300	900	1,000
Andover, Free,	15,000	'49	3,300	5,200	0	1,400
" Ballardvale,	3,000	'75	2,500	0	0	700
" Seminary,						
Arlington,	20,000	'44	6,000	1,500	1,500	2,000
" Heights,	10,000	'84	0	0	3,300	1,000
Ashburnham, 1st,	15,000	'34	0	1,000	0	920
" North,						
Ashby,	6,000	'35	3,000	4,500	0	850
Ashfield,	5,000	'55	1,800	800	200	900
Ashland,	10,000	'35	0	0	0	800
Athol,	6,000	'33	2 000	0	0	1,350
Attleboro,	23,500	'25	5,000	0	0	1,600
Auburn,	13,300	'97	2,500	0	0	700
Ayer,	8,000	'67	2,200	500	984	950
Barnstable, West,	4,000	1717	1,200	0	0	600
" Centerville,	3,500	'48	0	0	0	700
Barnstable, Hyannis,	3,000		0	0	100	†600
Barre,	10,000	'27	0	6,125	0	1,125
Becket, Centre,	2,000	'50	0	5,000	0	†300
" North,	3,000	'50	0	0	0	500
Bedford,	7,500	'32	2,500	0	1,200	800
Belchertown,	10,100	1789	0	0	0	900
Belmont, Waverly,	$8,000	'70	$2,700	$ 0	$2,400	$1,300
" Plymouth,	0		0	0	0	1,200
Berkley,	4,000	'48	2,000	4,000	300	650
Berlin,	4,800	'26	0	7,700	0	800
Bernardston,	3,500	'46	1,500	1,900	0	700
Beverly, North,	8,000	1715	0	1,400	600	624
" Dane st.,	45,000	'33	0	0	0	
" Washington st.,	30,000	'37	6,000	4,000	1,800	1,300
Billerica,	7,000	'29	0	11,000	400	1,000
Blackstone,	4,000	'08	1,000	0	0	800
" Millville,	2,500	'93	0	0	0	360
Blandford, 1st,	11.500	'20	3,500	7,500	0	900
" North,	5,000	'93	0	0	150	260
Boston, Charlestown,	34,000	'34	0	10,700	0	1,200
" Old South,	500,000	'75	25,000			
" 2d, Dorchester,	50,000	'06	12,000	4,182	0	4,000
" Park street,	500,000	'10	0	0		
" Union,	210,000	'73	0	12,000	0	3,600
" Phillips, South,	75,000	'59	0	0	0	3,000
" Berkeley Temple,	100,000	'60	0	0	0	4,000
" Brighton,	30,000	'68	10,500	21,000	0	3,000
" Village, Dorches'r,	15,000	'29	0	0	0	1,800
" Winthrop, Char'n,	63,000	'48	0	0	1,500	2,500
" Eliot, Roxbury,	40,000	'35	0	0	0	1,600
" Central,	313,000	'64	0	0	0	
" West Roxbury,	40,000	'91	0	0	7,000	2,300
" Maverick, East,	50,000	'74	6,500	0	6,900	1,800
" Mt. Vernon,	200,000	'92	0	5,000	10,000	5,000
" Shawmut,	80,000	'62	0	0	0	3,500
" Jamaica Plain,	31,400	'72	0	0	0	3,200
" Immanuel, Rox'y,	52,600	'76	0	0	4,000	3,500
" Neponset,	8,000	'59	0	0	0	1,200
" Pilgrim, Dor'ter,	85,175	'93	0	0	23,000	3,500
" Highland, Rox'y,	20,000	'70	0	0	0	2,500
" Walnut av., Rox'y,	110,000	'89	0	5,700	5,000	4,000
" Olivet,	13,000	'67	0	0	5,000	700
" Boylston, J. Plain,	30,000	'85	0	0	0	2,400
" *Swedish*,						

CITY OR TOWN.	VALUE OF CHURCH.	YEAR OF ERECTION	VALUE OF PARSONAGE.	INVESTED FUNDS.	INDEBTEDNESS.	SALARY.
Boston, *Norwegian*,						
" Allston,	50,000	'91	5,000	25,000	0	2,000
" Harvard, Dor'ter,	15,000	'89	0	0	6,000	1,800
" Central, "	13,000		0	5,500	0	1,900
" Seamen's,	72,500		0	0	0	0
" Roslindale,	29,000	'94	0	0	14,000	1,800
" St. Mark's,	0		0	0	0	425
" Baker, E. Boston,	0					
Boxboro, West Acton,	2,000	'34	1,500	500	0	600
Boxford,	5,000	'38	1,700	11,500	0	900
" West,	5,000	'44	3,000	25,000	0	800
Boylston, Center,	5,000	'36	1,500	0	0	1,000
Braintree, 1st,	25,000	'57	3,000	2,500	0	1,700
" South,	16,000	'63	0	0	0	1,500
Bridgewater,	15,000	'62	0	2,680	0	1,500
" Scotland,	3,000	'23	750	1,635	0	500
Brimfield,	9,000	'47	2,500	14,000	140	800
Brockton, 1st,	160,000	'97	0	0	0	2,500
" South, Campello,	50,000	'54	9,000	0	0	3,000
" Porter,	50,000	'50	0	14,900	2,000	3,500
" *Swedish*, Campello,	15,000	'88	0	0	4,500	1,320
" Waldo,	4,000	'94	0	0	0	1,200
" Wendell Ave.,	3,400	'93	0	0	0	
" Lincoln,	0		0	240	0	540
Brookfield,	15,000	'57	2,300	400	0	1,000
Brookline, Harvard,	200,000	'71				
" Leyden,	45,000	'99	0	0	20,000	2,200
Buckland,	2,000	1794	1,800	2,000	0	850
Burlington,	7,000	'70	2,500	3,500	3,000	800
Cambridge, 1st,	150,000	'72	0	0	0	0
" Prospect street,	35,000	'51	0	1,000	0	3,000
" North avenue,	40,000	'66	0	0	3,500	3,000
" Pilgrim,	32,000	'84	0	0	0	3,000
" Wood Memorial,	30,000	'84	0	0	200	1,600
" Hope,	11,000		0	0	0	1,200
Canton,	8,500	'60	0	6,465	0	1,000
Carlisle,	3,000	'31	2,500	12,000	300	800
Carver, North,	3,000	'58	0	400	0	†400
Charlemont, 1st,	2,000	'46	1,000	1,200	0	700
" East,	1,500	'47	700	2,000	0	550
Charlton,	4,500	'26	2,000	2,925	0	600
Chatham,	4,000	'66	1,300	0	0	650
Chelmsford, North,	10,500	'93	2,500	2,859	500	800
" Central,	10,000	'88	0	0	0	1,000
Chelsea, 1st,	30,000	'51	6,600	8,000	0	2,500
" Central,	75,000	'70	0	0	0	4,000
" 3d,	10,000	'78	0	1,128	0	1,300
Chester, 1st,	2,000	'40	500	1,550	0	500
" 2d.	3,500	'45	3,000	0	0	750
Chesterfield,	3,000	'35	2,000	600	0	600
Chicopee, 1st,	5,000	'26	1,500	6,500	0	900
" 2d, Falls,	10,000	'33	6,000	5,000	0	1,800
" 3d,	20,000	'68				
Clinton,	50,000	'99	6,000	0	16,500	1,800
" *German*,	5,000	'88	0	0	1,600	312
Cohasset,	13,000	'24	6,000	1,570	0	1,200
" Beechwood,	4,000	'66	1,000	1,000	0	600
Coleraine,	4,000	'35	2,000	0	0	600
Concord,	30,000	'26	6 000	0	12,100	1,800
Conway,	14,000	'85	4,000	0	0	1,200
Cummington,	4,000	'39	3,000	5,000	225	600
" West,	2,000	'39	0	0	0	300
Dalton,	45,000	'88	5,000	0	0	1,800
Dana,	2,000	'54	0	0	0	†260
Danvers, Center,	13,000	'92	2,200	1,000	300	1,000
" Maple st.,	25,000	'51	5,000	2,000	865	1,500
Dartmouth, South,	7,000	'17	3,500	4,000	1,450	†600
Dedham,	22,500	'20	6,000	3,114	0	2,000
Deerfield, South,	9,000	'21	1,750	0	1,750	750
"	3,800	'38	2,000	1,250	877	700
Dennis, South,	3,000	'36	1,500	500	0	600
" Union,	3,000		0	0	0	625
Dighton, North,	3,500	'26	2,000	5,980	0	900
Douglas,	2,000	'34	1,500	500	0	260
" East,	8,000	'34	0	1,000	0	700
Dover,	1,700	'39	1,200	2,604	0	550
Dracut, 1st,	7,000	'34	0	4,672	0	720
" Central,	30,000	1794	0	2,800	0	1,000
Dudley,	25,000	'91	1,600	0	0	700
Dunstable,	5,000		1,500	5,400	0	600

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Duxbury,	5,000	'44	1,200	1,000	150	
East Bridgewater,	8,000	'44	4,000	0	0	
Easthampton, 1st,	25,000	'36	4,000	700	0	1,300
" Payson,	26,250	'52	5,150	0	466	2,000
East Longmeadow,	6,000	'29	2,800	3,570	0	600
Easton, Center,	14,500	'84	3,000	0	0	1,000
" *Swedish*, North,	4,000	'99	0	0	1,350	600
Edgartown,	5,000	'28	0	1,100	0	850
Egremont, South,	6,000	'32	1,800	0	400	600
Enfield,	16,000	1787	1,700	5,000	0	1,200
Erving,	2,000	'42	0	0	0	700
Essex,	10,000	1792	3,000	1,200	0	
Everett, 1st,	25,000	'52	0	0	4,000	1,800
" Courtland st.,	1,800		0	0	0	800
" Mystic side,	20,000	'93	0	0	7,125	1,000
Fairhaven,	5,000	'44	0	0	0	900
Fall River, 1st,	45,000	'32	16,359	0	0	2,500
" Central,	175,000	'74	0	0	0	3,600
" Fowler,	8,000	'68	4,000	0	0	1,200
" *French*,	4,000	'87	0	0	0	820
" Broadway,	3,000	'92	0	0	0	1,000
Falmouth, 1st,	9,000	1750	2,200	10,000	250	†1,000
" East,	2,000	1797	1,200	0	0	†400
" North,	2,000	'33	1,000	2,500	0	600
" Waquoit,	1,500	'47	0	0	0	†300
" Woods Holl,	3,500	'90	0	2,500	0	500
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	105,000	'96	0	0	0	2,000
" Rollstone,	60,000	'68	2,500	0	3,500	2,000
" *German*,	4,000	'92	0	0	1,000	750
" *Swedish*,	14,534	'95	0	0	2,200	840
Foxboro',	16,500	'54	3,500	5,620	150	1,250
Framingham,	20,000	'30	0	2,000	0	1,750
" Saxonville,	5,900	'27	0	0	0	1,200
" South,	40,000	'84	5,000	0	4,675	2,500
Franklin, 1st,	32,000	'95	4,000	0	0	1,800
Freetown,	2,500	'07	0	1,050	50	700
Gardner,	56,000	'78	0	0	0	2,300
Georgetown, 1st,	20,000	'74	0	7,000	3,000	1,000
" Memorial,	30,000	'68	3,000	8,450	45	1,000
Gill,	2,000	1797	1,000	1,334	0	500
Gloucester, West,	4,000	'34	1,000	550	0	600
" Trinity,	25,000	'55	4,500	12,000	2,000	2,000
" Lanesville,	9,000	'65	0	0	0	750
" Magnolia,	5,000	'95	0	0	1,140	780
Goshen,	5,000	1782	1,500	3,000	100	600
Grafton,	13,000	'33	4,000	1,200	1,000	1,000
" Saundersville,	13,000	'95	0	0	0	1,050
Granby,	6,000	'21	1,500	1,500	0	900
Granville, East,	2,000	'02	450	7,000	200	600
" West,	2,000	1782	700	2,000	0	375
Great Barrington,	50,000	'82	15,000	0	200	1,800
" Housatonic,	18,000	'92	2,000	200	0	1,000
Greenfield, 1st,	5,000	'31	1,500	1,500	0	650
" 2d,	60,000	'68	5,000	215	0	2,250
Greenwich,	4,000	'24	600	1,200	0	700
Groton,	7,800	'26	2,800	5,500	0	1,400
" West,	0		0	0	0	300
Groveland,	4,000	1790	1,600	800	750	
Hadley, 1st,	7,000	1800	1,750	0	0	800
" 2d, North,	4,200	'34	2,500	210	275	600
Halifax,	0		0	1,400	0	600
Hamilton,	8,000	'43	4,400	3,200	0	800
Hampden,	4,000	1785	1,500	5,545	0	600
Hanover, West,	4,000	'64	2,500	3,800	250	600
" Four Corners,	5,000	'54	0	0	130	750
Hanson,	5,000	'36	800	4,950	100	†500
Hardwick,	5,000	'65	0	5,000	0	800
" Gilbertville,	40,000	'47	3,500	0	0	1,000
Harvard,	8,000	'21	2,000	8,000	0	800
Harwich,	5,500	'55	3,000	0	0	800
" Port,	5,800	'55	700	2,000	0	800
Hatfield,	14,000	'49	1,500	0	0	1,000
Haverhill, Bradford,	25,000	'47	6,000	0	0	
" West,	9,000	'28	1,600	11,800	0	900
" 4th,	3,500		2,000	800	0	500
" Center,	25,000	'34	0	0	0	2,200
Haverhill, North,	35,000	'59	8,000	0	4,500	3,000
" Riverside,	12,000	'92	0	0	3,500	400
" Union,	10,000	'92	0	0	4,200	1,200
" St. John's, *French*,	3,800	'92	0	0	250	

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Haverhill, Ward Hill,	6,000	'92	2,000	0	1,200	900
Hawley,	2,000	'48	700	0	0	600
" West,	2,000	'47	0	2,937	0	500
Hingham,	6,000	'49	0	1,600	0	800
" Bethany, N'nt'sk't,	0		0	0	0	520
Hinsdale,	10,000	1798	3,000	0	0	1,100
Holbrook,	30,000	'78	3,500	0	840	1,200
Holden,	10,000	1787	1,900	2,500	922	1,000
Holland,	2,500	'59	600	0	0	500
Holliston,	17,000	'22	4,100	4,900	0	1,300
Holyoke, 1st,	54,000	'93	0	0	23,000	2,250
" 2d,	103,967	'83	6,500	0	0	4,000
" *French*,	0		0	0	0	1,000
Hopkinton,	25,000	'82	3,500	0	286	1,000
Hubbardston,	4,000	'27	0	5,758	0	500
Hudson,	0		0	0	0	1,000
Huntington, 1st, Nor.,	2,000	'41	500	300	0	600
" 2d,	8,500	'63	0	2,000	300	800
Hyde Park,	40,000	'68	6,000	12,500	7,000	2,500
" Clarendon Hills,	5,000	'76	0	0	365	600
Ipswich, 1st,	12,000	'46	3,000	0	0	
" South,						
" Linebrook,	2,500	'48	0	9,300	0	450
Kingston,	6,000	'29	5,000	15,000	0	800
Lakeville,	4,000	'35	1,000	8,100	100	520
Lancaster,	8,000	'40	0	1,400	0	1,000
Lanesboro',						
Lawrence, Law. st.,	25,000	'48	5,000	1,250	4,900	2,000
" South,	24,000	'97	0	0	9,500	1,200
" Riverside,	2,000	'78	0	0	0	900
" Trinity,	50,000	'60	0	0	0	2,500
" United,	17,000	'98	0	0	4,800	1,200
Lee,	25,000	'57	5,000	0	0	2,000
Leicester,	25,000	'67	3,000	1,500	0	1,600
Lenox,	8,000	'05	6,000	0	3,225	1,000
Leominster,	55,000	'72	0	0	0	1,800
" North,	14,689	'79	3,500	12,000	2,400	800
Leverett,	3,500	'58	2,000	400	0	650
" Moore's Cor.,	3,500	'98	0	0	0	500
Lexington,	45,000	'93	0	0	0	2,000
Lincoln,	30,000	'91	4,500	2,500	0	1,000
Littleton,	3,000	'40	2,800	2,000	0	900
Longmeadow,	18,000	1768	5,000	1,500	0	1,200
Lowell, Pawtucket,	40,000	'99	4,000	0	5,000	1,500
" 1st,	*65,000	'84	0	0	0	
" 1st Trinitarian,	45,000	'98	0	0	18,000	2,500
" Eliot,	40,000	'74	4,000	1,000	500	2,400
" John street,	20,000	'39	0	0	4,700	1,600
" Kirk "	40,000	'46	0	0	3,000	3,000
" High "	30,000	'46	0	2,483	0	2,500
" *French*,	12,000	'81	0	0	0	820
" Highland,	47,290	'87	0	0	22,000	1,800
" *Swedish*,	5,300	'86	0	0	50	720
" *Norwegian*,						
Ludlow, Center,	8,000	'61	1,200	2,500	0	700
" Union,	3,000	'45	0	0	0	1,050
Lunenburg,	4,000	'42	1,500	2,500	0	700
Lynn, 1st,	70,000	'72	0	2,000	8,490	2,000
" Central,	90,000	'92	0	0	2,500	2,000
" Chestnut st.,	20,000	'57	0	0	1,200	1,200
" North,	28,000	'95	6,000	7,700	10,800	1,300
" *Swedish*,	9,000	'91	0	0	3,100	073
Lynnfield, Center,	5,000	'33	2,500	0		5400
" 2d,	4,000	'57	0	0	0	270
Malden,	56,000	'71	0	0	6,000	3,000
" Maplewood,	7,500	'77	0	0	2,600	1,000
" Linden,	5,000	'76	0	0	1,800	800
Manchester,	18,000	'09	4,000	4,500	975	1,200
Mansfield,	10,000	'38	0	100	0	1,200
Marblehead,	23,000	'24	4,000	8,000	3,650	1,500
Marion,	21,500	'44	3,500	42,180	0	1,300
Marlboro',	27,300	'53	5,000	0	0	1,600
" *French*,	6,000	'91	0	0	500	700
Marshfield, 1st,	5,000	'38	2,300	5,000	0	800
" Hills,	3,500	'37	1,600	12,500	0	600
Mattapoisett,	7,000	'44	2,000	6,400	0	700
Maynard,	15,000	'53	0	500	0	1,000
Medfield,	10,000	'70	3,000	5,935	0	600
Medford, Mystic,	25,000	'48	6,500	0	0	2,700
" West,	15,000	'74	0	22,000	0	1,900

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Medford, Union,	3,000	'87	0	0	0	1,144
Medway, West,	20,000	'13	2,500	561	1,000	800
" Village,	10,000	'37		6,400	0	1,200
" 3d, West,						
Melrose,	45,000	'70	8,000	0	15,000	2,560
" Highlands,	35,000	'95	0	0	18,000	2,000
Merrimac,	10,000	'60	5,000	7,450	0	1,500
Methuen,	89,500	'55	3,000	8,120	0	1,800
Middleboro', 1st,	5,000	'28	2,000	5,000	0	750
" North,	15,000	'94	2,000	12,500	500	1,000
" Central,	35,000	'49	4,500	400	0	1,800
Middlefield,	3,500	1790	1,500	5,700	0	700
Middleton,	5,000	'59	2,500	1,000	0	
Milford,	25,000	'68	0	0	0	2,300
Millbury,	7,000	'35	2,500	10,200	0	1,200
" 2d,	15,000	'27	5,000	925	0	1,200
Millis,	5,000	'50	2,500	17,370	775	1,200
Milton,	7,000	'35	0	6,100	0	1,150
" East,	4,000	'46	0	0	0	1,000
Monson,	10,000	'70	3,000	0	1,050	1,600
Montague,	10,000	'34	1,200	7,000	100	650
" Miller's Falls,	5,000	'96	0	0	0	850
" Turner's Falls,	10,000	'81	2,500	0	2,000	1,000
Monterey,	3,000	'48	0	0	75	500
Mt. Washington,	1,200	'69	0	0	0	0
Nantucket,	7,000	'34	0	0	0	1,000
Natick,	75,000	'75	0	4,650	14,402	3,000
" South,	4,500	'62	2,000	100	2,100	700
Needham,	17,000	'87	3,000	0	6,500	1,000
New Bedford, Acush.,	6,000	'67	3,000	18,000	0	800
" North,	70,000	'36	0	2,000	0	3,500
" Trinitarian,	55,000	'90	0	0	0	3,500
New Braintree,	6,000	'02	0	500	0	600
Newbury,	17,500	'69	3,000	18,300	1,300	1,000
" Byfield,						
Newburyport, North,	20,000	'61	10,000	2,500	2,400	1,400
" Prospect st.,	7,000	1793	0	0	1,100	1,400
" Belleville,	30,000	'67	5,500	10,000	0	1,600
" Whitefield,	10,000	'52	0	0	4,000	
New Marlboro, 1st,	3,000	'40	800	700	0	†150
New Marlb'o, S'thfield,	4,000	'15	1,000	2,000	0	†300
" Mill River,	2,000	'70	1,000	0	0	600
New Salem,	2,000	'45	0	5,000	0	800
Newton, 1st, Center,	68,000	'48	0	0	0	3,750
" 2d, West,	44,000	'85	9,800	0	8,000	2,700
" Eliot,	200,000	'89	0	0	0	5,000
" Auburndale,	30,000	'56	14,000	1,000	1,525	2,700
" North,	20,000	'74	4,500	0	2,250	800
" Newtonville,	103,000	'95	0	0	41,000	3,000
" Highlands,	20,000	'75	0	0	9,000	2,000
Norfolk,	6,000	'37	2,500	1,200	0	675
North Adams,	78,000	'63	12,000	0	9,000	2,500
Northampton, 1st,	80,000	'78	8,000	1,000	0	2,500
" Edwards,	50,000	'71	6,000	0	5,300	2,500
" Florence,	15,000	'72	4,000	0	0	1,300
North Andover,	25,000	'65	4,000	10,350	0	1,500
North Attleboro', Old,	9,000	'28	2,000	3,600	340	800
" A. Falls,	5,000	'74	0	0	0	1,000
" Trinity,	6,000	'95	0	0	2,500	1,100
Northboro',	7,000	'48	2,500	6,098	0	800
Northbridge, Center,	6,000	'35	1,400	2,500	0	800
" Whitinsville,	120,000	'98	6,000	0	0	1,900
" Rockdale,	8,000	'99		0	900	800
North Brookfield, 1st,	30,000	'23	4,000	5,200	0	1,500
" Union,	80,000	'94	0	100	0	1,000
Northfield, East,	15,000	'88	2,000	2,000	3,400	3,000
North Reading,	2,600	'36	2,400	3,050	0	800
Norton,	16,000	'32	2,500	0	0	1,000
Norwood,	30,000	'83	7,500	1,653	1,325	1,500
Oakham,	6,000	'14	1,200	3,750	0	600
Orange, North,	900		0	0	0	†100
" Central,	25,000	'93	0	1,200	500	1,500
" *Swedish*,	3,500	'91	0	0	80	660
Orleans,	4,000	'29	0	0	0	835
Otis,	2,000	'12	800	0	0	150
Oxford,	10,000	'29	3,000	28,250	0	1,000
Palmer, Thorndike,	4,000	'47	1,250	0	0	800
" 2d,	15,000	'47	4,000	0	0	1,300
Palmer, Three Rivers,	6,000	'76	2,500	0	0	1,000
Paxton,	3,000	1767	950	950	0	500

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Peabody, South,	35,000	'44	5,000	2,900	0	2,150
" 2d,	7,200	'74	3,000	1,200	1,100	800
" West,						
Pelham,	1,550	'41	0	0	0	75
" Packardville,	2,000	'69	0	0	0	75
Pepperell,	8,000	'60	3,000	2,877	250	1,200
Peru,	4,500	'95	700	0	0	200
Petersham,	3,000	'34	0	1,150	0	†300
Phillipston,	4,000	1784	700	1,100	0	†300
Pittsfield, 1st,	100,000	'52	12,500	1,500	0	4,000
" 2d,	3,000	'46	0	0	0	0
" South,	30,000	'53	5,000	0	4,500	2,100
" Pilgrim Mem.	15,000	'97	0	0	800	1,000
Plainfield,	1,800	'46	525	1,525	0	600
Plymouth, Manomet,	1,500	'26	1,000	0	0	600
" Pilgrimage,	23,000	'40	0	0	1,800	1,800
" Chiltonville,	6,000	'41	0	0	0	1,000
Plympton,	3,000	'30	800	225	0	650
Prescott,	600	'47	600	300	0	500
Princeton,	6,000	'38	3,200	1,400	0	1,200
Provincetown,						
Quincy, Bethany,	40,000	'71	0	4,300	3,500	2,200
" Wollaston,	10,000	'65	5,000	0	2,500	1,500
" Wash. st. Point,	5,500	'82	0	0	450	1,000
" Atlantic,	6,500	'85	0	0	1,400	1,000
" *Swedish*,	20,000	'89	0	0	0	720
" Park & Downs,	4,900	'94	0	0	1,500	800
Randolph,	30,000	'60	6,000	16,000	0	1,500
Raynham,	8,000	'33	0	600	0	†450
" North,	15,000	'75	0	0	0	†200
Reading,	25,000	'49	0	5,248	3,054	2,000
Rehoboth,	2,500	'39	2,000	1,865	0	800
Revere, 1st,	50,000	'49	0	0	4,000	1,400
" Beachmont,						
Richmond,	10,000	'83	2,000	16,000	700	1,000
Rochester, 1st,	6,000	'37	1,300	6,500	0	700
" North,	2,000	'41	600	5,000	0	†350
" East,	1,600	'57	0	0	0	600
Rockland,	43,000	'94	9,000	0	10,800	1,300
Rockport, 1st,	25,000	'04	3,000	6,000	0	1,200
Rockp't, Pigeon Cove,	3,000	'64	0	100	0	600
" *Swedish*,	3,390	'94	0	0	1,900	420
Rowley,	7,800	'42	3,000	9,400	0	800
Royalston,	9,000	'51	5,000	8,750	0	800
" South,	3,000	'36	0	2,600	0	700
Rutland,	8,000	'50	0	0	0	1,050
Salem, Tabernacle,	26,000	'54	9,000	0	0	2,500
" South,	30,000	'04	8,000	9,000	0	2,200
" Crombie st.,	14,000	'29	0	4,800	2,200	1 800
Sandisfield,	1,800	'52	0	25	20	†75
New Boston,	2,800	'80	0	0	0	†650
Sandwich,	7,000	'48	2,500	0	100	
Saugus,	10,000	'52	0	6,300	0	900
" Cliftondale,	9,000	'92	4,000	0	0	1,080
Scituate, Center,	6,000	'26	0	10,000	0	800
Seekonk,	2,200	'88	0	0	0	156
Sharon,	9,000	'39	3,000	0	0	900
Sheffield,	8,000	1760	2,000	8,727	115	1,000
Shelburne,	5,000	'45	3,000	0	0	900
" Falls,	6,000	'51	3,000	9,760	0	1,000
Sherborn,	7,000	'30	0	0	0	900
Shirley,	6,000	'50	1,500	5,000	0	600
Shrewsbury,	7,500	1766	1,500	18,000	2,000	1,000
Shutesbury,	3,000	'84	0	0	0	400
Somerset,	4,000	'64	2,000	0	125	600
Somerville, 1st,	60,000	'68	0	1,000	0	2,500
" Broadway,	45,000	'84	0	0	0	2,500
" West,	17,000	'97	0	0	8,700	1,700
" Prospect Hill,	40,000	'91	0	0	0	0
" Winter Hill,	50,000	'81	0	0	15,000	2,200
" Highland,	11,400	'94	0	0	6,800	1,200
Southampton,	10,000	1788	2,000	2,000	0	800
Southboro',	10,000	'57	3,500	0	0	†600
" Southville,	3,850	'71	0	0	0	†300
Southbridge,	18,000	'85	3,000	0	600	1,200
South Hadley,	20,000	'94	3,000	1,200	1,000	1,200
" Falls,	15,000	'64	0	0	0	1,600
Southwick,	3,500	'24	1,000	500	0	800
Spencer,	35,000	'63	0	13,183	0	2,800
Springfield, 1st,	75,000	'18	0	10,000	0	5,000

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Springfield, Olivet,	30,000	'34	0	0	0	1,500
" South,	180,000	'74	0	2,531	1,850	5,000
" North,	125,000	'73	0	0	0	2,800
" Indian Orchard,	6,000	'48	4,000	0	3,000	1,150
" Hope,	42,000	'84	7,400	0	5,600	3,000
" *French*,	10,000	'88	0	0	0	1,000
" Eastern avenue,	7,000	'84	0	0	2,400	300
" Emmanuel,	4,000	'84	0	1,063	0	900
" Park,	22,000	'88	0	0	12,360	1,800
" St. John's,	5,000	'92	0	0	0	800
" *Swedish*,	4,000	'82	0	0	2,000	720
" Faith,	10,000	'99	0	0	0	1,500
Sterling,	4,000	'52	2,100	900	0	
Stockbridge,	15,000	'24	3,000	900	0	1,200
" Curtisvillle,	3,500	'34	0	0	0	520
Stoneham,	25,000	'40	0	2,727	0	1,600
Stoughton,	8,000	'52	0	0	250	
Sturbridge,	5,500	1787	2,000	6,000	0	800
Sudbury, South,	12,000	'91	1,800	11,629	929	1,000
Sunderland,	9,543	'36	1,500	0	0	950
Sutton,	5,000	'22	2,500	4,200	0	1,000
Swampscott,	15,500	'46	3,500	1,100	250	1,000
Taunton, West,	4,500	'25	2,000	825	0	600
" Trinitarian,	40,000	'52	5,000	1,600	0	2,200
" Winslow,	70,000	'97	0	0	9,000	2,250
" East,	6,500	'98	0	2,400	0	700
" Union,	20,000	'72	4,000	0	2,000	1,200
Templeton,	5,000	'33	1,600	6,000	250	600
" Baldwinville,	10,000	'83	3,000	2,500	800	900
Tewksbury,	8,300	'15	2,000	5,000	1,075	1,000
Tolland,	1,200	'44	100	791	205	350
Topsfield,	10,000	'40	2,100	0	0	900
Townsend,	10,000	'30	3,000	1,400	0	900
Truro,	2,000	'27	500	357	75	600
" North,	3,000	'40	500	0	0	500
Tyngsboro',	*5,000	'68	2,000	0	80	700
Upton,	12,000	'48	0	50	0	1,000
Uxbridge,	12,000	'33	0	0	0	1,100
Wakefield,	100,000	'90	0	1,600	18,000	2,000
Walpole,	15,000	'67	0	1,000	500	1,200
Walpole, East,	2,400	'84	0	0	0	600
Waltham,	40,000	'70	0	4,000	12,000	2,500
" *Swedish*,	6,300	'94	0	0	1,200	600
Ware,	3,000	1800	1,200	5,100	0	800
Ware, East,	40,000	'26	5,000	0	850	2,000
" *French*,	5,000	'88	0	0	3,500	†275
Wareham,	7,500	'29	0	1,000	0	900
Warren, 1st,	26,000	'75	4,000	3,700	1,000	1,200
Warwick,	2,000	'33	700	2,800	0	600
Watertown,	20,000	'61	0	2,500	0	2,000
Wayland,	6,500	'35	0	500	0	900
Webster,	15,000	'86	3,500	1,000	2,000	1,200
Wellesley,	36,000	'72	0	885	840	2,000
" Hills,	13,000	'48	7,000	0	0	1,800
Wellfleet,	5,000	'51	900	0	0	†600
" South,						
Wendell,	1,500	'47	2,000	2,500	75	550
Wenham,	6,000	'43	2,500	1,960	325	700
Westboro',	25,000	'33	8,000	150	0	1,600
West Boylston,	0		0	17,000	0	1,000
West Brookfield,	20,000	'82	0	2,000	0	1,000
Westfield, 1st,	60,000	'60	10 000	7,700	900	2,000
" 2d,	37,000	'62	8,000	18,500	7,500	1,500
Westford,	5,000	'29	2,500	5,000	0	800
Westhampton,	12,000	'29	1,500	500	0	900
Westminster,	10,000	'36	0	12,000	0	1,000
West Newbury, 1st,	4,000	'41	1,400	500	0	500
" 2d,	10,000	'19	2,500	4,550	0	700
Weston,	4,000	'92	0	0	160	600
Westport,	4,700	'58	800	4,500	0	700
West Springfield,	6,000	1800	4,000	2,400	600	900
" Mittineague,	14,000	'78	2,500	0	850	1,200
" Park street,	25,000	'71	0	4,000	928	1,200
West Stockbridge, C.,	1,000	1789	0	4,733	0	†260
" Village,	9,500	'81	1,000	200	0	†600
West Tisbury,	2,700	1732	1,600	0	0	800
Westwood,	2,000		0	0	0	600
Weymouth, 1st, H'ts	8,500	'32	3,000	10,200	0	1,000
" Old South, South,	12,000	'54	3,000	2,200	200	1,200
" and Braintree,	24,000	'98	0	0	400	1,500

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Weymouth, Un., So.,	35,000	'72	4,000	31,000	3,000	1,400
" Pilgrim, North,	17,000	'52	4,000	11,000	3,000	1,000
" East,	16,000	'43	2,500	0	0	1,500
Whately,	5,000	'42	1,500	5,000	0	650
Whitman,	10,000	'07	4,250	0	0	1,200
Wilbraham,	12,000	'77	2,000	6,200	375	1,000
" North,	3,000	'76	1,500	2,312	100	800
Williamsburg,	20,000	'35	3,000	14,000	0	900
" Haydenville,	14,000	'51	2,500	8,500	0	500
Williamstown, 1st,	35,000	'68	0	0	0	1,800
" College,						
" South,	5,000	'74	2,000	0	1,000	500
" White Oaks,	4,000	'66	1,400	0	0	500
Wilmington,	12,000	'65	2,500	3,600	250	1,000
Winchendon, 1st,	2,500	'50	0	1,500	0	625
" North,	8,000	'43	0	2,000	0	1,200
Winchester,	35,000	'54	7,500	0	0	2,500
Windsor,	1,200	'47	300	0	0	600
Winthrop,	0		0	0	0	
Woburn,	86,250	'60	0	1,860	0	2,500
" North,	10,000	'83	4,000	0	2,000	1,400
" *Scandinavian*,	10,000	'91	0	0	3,100	720
" Montvale,	2,000	'67	0	0	1,300	390
Worcester, 1st,	175,000	'88	0	0	0	5,000
" Central,	125,000	'84	20,000	0	0	4,000
" Union,	240,000	'96	18,700	500	45,500	5,000
" Summer st.,	20,000	'54	0	25,000	0	1,200
" Plymouth,	150,000	'73	0	0	7,000	
" Piedmont,	125,500	'77	11,500	0	21,900	5,000
" *Swedish*, 1st,	65,000	'83	0	0	24,000	1,020
" Pilgrim,	125,000	'87	0	0	42,000	3,000
" Park,	45,000	'94	0	0	18,400	1,500
" Covenant,	7,000	'88	0	0	1,500	1,000
" Hope,	10,000	'92	0	0	2,600	1,300
" Lake View,	3,500	'80	0	0	0	1,000
" Bethany,	13,000	'92	0	0	6,100	1,000
" *Armenian*,						
" Immanuel,	18,000	'91	0	0	1,300	1,400
" *Swedish*, 2d,	13,000	'99	0	0	0	720
" Adams square,	10,000	'98	3,000	10,000	5,950	1,200
Worthington,	9,000	'88	2,500	2,964	500	800
Wrentham,	20,000	'32	3,500	1,487	850	1,200
Yarmouth,	12,000	'70	1,600	9,850	0	900
" West,	2,000	'35	0	0	0	†400
Total:	13,829,197		1,096,884	1,474,462	$896,403	$705,611

SUMMARIES. — Fifth-Year Statistics.

Conferences.	Churches.		Parsonages.		Invested Funds.		Indebtedness.		Salaries.	
	No. Reporting.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
Andover,	27	$699,890	11	$34,050	12	$64,534	15	$75,405	26	$38,260
Barnstable,	21	91,800	13	18,100	7	27,707	4	525	17	13,010
Berkshire, N.,	16	422,200	12	51,400	3	23,200	6	23,000	14	20,300
" S.,	19	165,800	12	39,400	9	22,485	6	4,035	15	12,705
Brookfield,	21	387,500	13	32,900	14	67,983	5	6,090	20	20,560
Essex, N.,	27	349,100	18	67,100	15	123,350	13	29,495	21	24,250
" S.,	36	668,590	23	90,400	24	96,110	18	43,195	31	38,364
Franklin,	29	221,843	22	41,850	17	45,306	7	8,982	27	25,360
Hampden,	46	1,095,176	28	88,400	24	117,362	20	65,168	45	61,305
Hampshire,	17	293,050	16	47,675	12	40,089	5	6,591	16	17,800
" E.,	15	149,450	12	25,800	10	18,310	4	1,825	13	12,050
Mendon,	11	169,500	7	21,500	9	39,673	5	3,275	11	13,425
Middlesex, S.,	20	359,750	10	33,100	11	36,366	7	23,432	20	24,600
" Union,	22	378,123	16	41,300	15	65,577	7	22,434	22	23,340
Norfolk,	35	726,400	17	72,000	16	107,925	14	31,290	34	43,730
Old Colony,	16	241,000	10	22,800	12	96,080	1	1,450	15	18,750
Pilgrim,	14	79,500	8	15,200	10	54,275	5	2,430	12	9,900
Suffolk, N.,	26	1,182,700	3	19,100	8	29,528	13	72,525	24	49,300
" S.,	27	968,975	5	36,500	8	51,114	13	78,090	28	55,325
" W.,	23	2,411,300	9	81,500	5	53,500	11	104,035	20	45,650
Taunton,	22	494,000	15	51,859	15	42,520	11	14,915	23	27,390
Woburn,	23	568,850	9	38,400	10	66,585	15	76,004	22	35,414
Worcester,	29	1,296,600	14	78,850	12	113,710	15	197,272	28	46,302
" N.,	15	138,400	5	12,300	12	49,358	2	1,050	13	12,395
" S.,	16	267,500	10	35,400	10	21,725	3	3,900	16	15,970
Associated with R. I.,	1	2,200		0		0		0		156
Total,	574	$13,829,197	318	$1,096,884	326	$1,474,462	225	$896,403	533	$705,611

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.[1]

REV. HENRY A. HAZEN.

We shall all be ready to congratulate ourselves on the place which invites our assembly this year. It is a beautiful place. Lapped in the glory of the Connecticut valley, with the mountains hither and yon, we cannot be insensible to the charm of this college location; and the college itself is a significant attraction. Massachusetts is proud of her history and achievements, and of the vitality with which she faces the future, with promise of larger things to come; and our interest in the college cannot fail to be enhanced by this visit.

It is worth notice that the opportunity to come to Amherst and to other places similarly situated is one favorable result of the recent change in our rules in regard to hospitality. Places which would be over-taxed by the free entertainment of this body may be able to provide for our needs on the new basis, and the range of our meetings will be larger in the future. An invitation for 1901, the opening year of the coming century, will be presented to you, which will be, it is safe to say, most agreeable to you.

Two churches have been added to our sisterhood during the year, Arlington Heights and Belmont; and three have been omitted, Union Grove in Lakeville, West Warren and Belmont in Worcester. This leaves our total exactly 600. The membership total is 112,966, which is a loss of 578. This is the first time in twenty years that a falling off has been reported; but it should be said that the larger part of this reduction comes from the revision of their roll by a few larger churches. The additions on confession are 2,703, only 144 less than in 1898; and the removals by death were 1,967; 227 more than last year. These facts relieve the falling off and show that it is more apparent than real; but we must not fail to recognize the fact and lay it to heart that the year has not brought the growth and progress which, with due fidelity to the Master, these rich and prosperous churches of Massachusetts would have had to report. This fact is emphasized by the farther statement that our Sunday schools report a loss of 5,370, with a total of 115,211. On the other hand, our benevolent giving shows a healthy gain of $101,914, or 18 per cent, reaching the total of 660,039. The benevolent legacies are $224,486, an increase of $93,355. The home expenditures increase less than either the benevolences or the legacies, $73,196, the total being $1,645,966, an average of $2,759 to each church. The benevolences average $1,100 to each church, and $5.84 to each member.

The gathering of our reports has proceeded on the usual lines, but without the improvement hoped for, and which we ought to make. If we are ever to secure the earlier Year Book, which the churches wish, Massachusetts must do her part, by finding the way to secure earlier returns from the churches. Five conferences reported in January: Mendon, first as usual, Barnstable, Hampshire East, and Worcester North and South. Nineteen reported in February, of which I name the last five only, Essex South, Woburn, and the three Suffolks. Hampden came on March 3, and the Massachusetts table could not be completed for the printer in February, as it has been done for three years before.

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You will agree with me that improvement in this matter is desirable, important, and practicable. The churches are not content, and ought not to be, to wait five months for the Year Book. But if tardy churches are to take half that time to make their reports, and be waited for, we can do no better. I make two or three suggestions towards improvement.

1. Induce the churches to take the time needed to complete their reports in December, and not put it off till February. It is due, and called for by the National Council, Jan. 1, and that is the day when it should be completed; but many do not begin its preparation until that day or later.

2. And there is a small per cent of the churches which needs to be waked up to the fact that it is not a good excuse for a tardy report that the annual meeting has not been held. Annual meetings are held in perhaps every month in the year, and there is no more necessity or propriety in the January churches delaying our work, by keeping us waiting for their meetings, than for the churches meeting in February, May, or November to do it. A common date for our reports would be a dream, if the contention of these churches were sound. In fact the Council calls upon these churches for their reports on the first day of the year, the best and most complete which they can make it on that day; and any betterment which they can give it by delay and waiting for an annual meeting would be more than balanced by the loss to all the churches by the waiting for it. If the Association accepts this view and will put it in some terse utterance, it will help the statistical secretaries in securing better things.

3. Another suggestion concerns the expediency of a time limit for receiving reports. New Hampshire has fixed such a limit, Feb. 1, and for the last two years the State tables have come to the Year Book practically complete on the fourth and third of February; and this is only slightly better than Maine, Vermont, Michigan, and Oregon do; and if New Hampshire can report its almost two hundred churches in January, is there any conference in Massachusetts which can not do as well? Where there is a will a way can be found for prompt returns. Believing that I should have your approval I have taken one liberty this year. I have declined to insert any church report coming to me later than March 1, and you will find three blank lines in the tables, thus explained. And I submit to your wisdom the question whether you will give your sanction to this course in future, and what the date limit shall be. Our churches may not be quite ready for the New Hampshire limit yet; but we should be able to fix it before long at Jan. 15; and I think that Feb. 15 would be a safe limit to try now.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treasurer, in account with the* GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY, 1900.

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1899–1900.	
To cash on hand last report	$824 33
Receipts from Conferences	6,132 85
Interest	8 58
Total	$6,965 76

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By Rev. Eugene C. Webster, expenses in connection with 97th annual meeting,	$8 10
Dea. James G. Buttrick, circulars and postage for Committee on Labor Organizations	15 00
Rev. A. Z. Conrad, 1,000 ballots	2 50
Philip S. Moxom, cablegram to Andrew D. White, The Hague	9 26
Rev. H. A. Hazen, salary	500 00
stationery and postage	57 25
Herbert N. Ackerman, Board of Pastoral Supply	2,529 19
W. L. Green & Co., advertising annual meeting	10 80
Frank L. Bristol, stationery, etc., on appeal	8 41
Rev. James W. Flagg, expense attending annual meeting	4 40
Alfred Mudge & Son, printing Minutes	763 66
Samuel B. Forbes, treasurer National Council	2,835 68
Rev. Francis J. Marsh, postage and expense	13 20
Postage and stationery	3 58
Cash on hand	204 73
Total	$6,965 76

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treas.*

Amount of the apportionments not received from the Conferences.

Essex North, 1898	$10 00	
1899	36 10	
		$46 10
Hampden, 1899		69 72
Hampshire, 1899		77 02
Mendon, 1899		32 16
Norfolk, 1898	$18 69	
1899	162 92	
		181 61
Old Colony, 1895	$5 88	
1896	17 22	
1897	18 10	
1898	32 08	
1899	40 14	
		113 42
Suffolk North, 1898	$162 38	
1899	196 74	
		359 12
Taunton, 1899		24 08
Worcester Central, 1899		96 60
North, 1899		3 21
South, 1899		34 48
Total		$1,037 61

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treas.*,
Per CHARLES E. SWETT.

The Auditing Committee of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts have examined the accounts of the treasurer, Mr. Henry P. Emerson, and find that he has received six thousand nine hundred sixty-five and seventy-six one hundredths dollars ($6,965.76), and paid out six thousand seven hundred sixty-one and three one hundredths dollars ($6,761.03), presenting proper vouchers for said payments, and has a balance on deposit with the Beacon Trust Company of two hundred four and seventy-three one hundredths dollars ($204.73).

CHARLES E. SWETT,
J. H. TEWKSBURY, } *Auditing Committee.*

BOSTON, May 14, 1900.

The treasurer reports outstanding debts amounting to $639.26. There is due the treasurer from twelve of the Conferences $1,037.61. If the Association realized the full amount of these dues it would have in the treasury after meeting its debts, $398.35.

Nine of the Conferences have paid assessments in full for 1899. Four have balanced their accounts by the treasurer, charging to profit and loss, small amounts which were uncollectable, amounting to $18.60, made up of the following amounts: —

	$1 38	
	2 16	
	13 26	
	1 80	
		$18 60
Eleven owe on account of 1899 apportionments		773 26
Four owe on account of 1898 apportionments		223 15
One Conference owes for 1897	$18 10	
1896	17 22	
1895	5 88	
		41 20
Total amount due the Association		$1,037 61

By advice of the auditing committee the treasurer has charged to profit and loss of 1898 assessments, $240.75, balance due from eight Conferences. He has charged to profit and loss of 1899 assessments, $18.60, balance due from four Conferences, evidence having been presented that the same were uncollectable. The total amount charged to profit and loss during the year is $259.35.

CHARLES E. SWETT,
Chairman Auditing Committee.

MAY 14, 1900.

MEMORIAL FROM MENDON CONFERENCE

To the General Association in reference to the deficit of $52.10 as reported by the treasurer of the Association for the year ending May, 1899: —

Mendon Conference wishes courteously to inform the Association, that, by a vote often repeated, the Conference does not undertake the collection of the Assessment for the support of the "Board of Pastoral Supply," so many of the churches having objected to such an Assessment. The payment is left, therefore, to the option of the individual churches, but with this recommendation in the vote of October, 1899, that those churches which pay but three and one half cents per member, make a special offering during the year to the Board. The Conference does not therefore consider itself responsible for any deficit arising from the neglect of any of its churches to pay the extra assessment, and respectfully ask that such deficit may not be reported in the minutes.

The above was adopted by Mendon Conference at its meeting held in Norfolk, Mass., April 18, 1900.

JAMES H. FLAGG, *Scribe.*

By advice of auditing committee the treasurer charged the sum of $52.10 to profit and loss.

Confirmed by H. P. Emerson.

COMMITTEE ON WORK OF CHURCHES.[1]

REV. S. G. BARNES, LONGMEADOW.

Our previous report to this body had almost exclusive reference to the constitution of the committee. Experience had abundantly proved that a committee of fifty, with its membership largely *ex-officio*, was an unworking and unworkable committee. In accordance with the recommendation presented by the committee itself, you reduced its membership to nine, with the hope and expectation that the men so appointed would feel their responsibility, and would put their necks into the yoke. We are happy to report that this hope has been realized; there has been during the year a degree of faithfulness in attending upon the meetings and in performing allotted tasks which has made it possible for the committee to respect itself.

By vote of this body last year, the subject of an alleged decrease in Sunday school attendance was referred to this committee for investigation. That matter is to be presented in a separate report following this. The topic selected by the committee itself was that of accessions by confession of faith. What work are the churches doing as recruiting stations for the Kingdom of Heaven? What methods are being used, and with what success? Is the church militant vindicating its right to the title by aggressive warfare which is visibly extending the boundaries of the Kingdom? By vigorous drill and high enthusiasm is it improving the *morale* of the soldiers of Christ?

There are six hundred Congregational churches in Massachusetts. In response to the circular letter sent out by the committee, two hundred and forty-four replies were received. It would seem that more than half of the pastors are quite indifferent to this particular method of edification. A considerable number of the replies used about ten words in answering the four questions, and apparently took about one minute for the entire labor of response; others had so much to write that there was no possibility of getting the reply on the sheet furnished. It will be seen that there is an appreciable element of the hasty and fortuitous in the materials which the secretary has been called upon to arrange and digest; but they doubtless faithfully reflect the various opinions and habits of the churches, and in a rough way indicate the proportions of the elements involved.

The first question was as follows: Recognizing fully that the work of the churches is largely that of education and nurture, what are you doing beyond this to secure the conversion of souls? A considerable number of answers left this space entirely blank, or simply said "Nothing," or

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"Nothing extraordinary." Some were disposed to challenge the idea that the church has any duty beyond that of education and nurture, or that conversions ought to be sought by any but the ordinary means of grace used in the ordinary way. One answer reads: "I think education and nurture cover the whole duty of man." Another: "The 'salvation of souls' has come to have so narrow and ecclesiastical a sense that I do not use the phrase, nor seek the result for which it ordinarily stands." Others are impressed with the fact that the majority of people in our respective parishes do not attend church, as a rule, and are not reached at all by the ordinary efforts; they are not only evidently unchurched, but apparently unsaved, giving no proof of possessing a religious life which simply needs development. As one puts it, "They are not green apples, needing only a sunny treatment for ripening, but apples with rotten spots that need making over." So there came protests that the primary business of the church is conversion, and that the emphasis now laid upon education and nurture is robbing the church of its true power. One pastor writes: "I don't believe the assertion in your first question." Another writes: "I make it plain that no amount of education can save the soul."

Those who believe that no matter how well the word is preached in season, something more must be done, seem to place their main dependence upon personal conversation. "Personal work is the root idea and primary method of Christian work." "We ought to be more bold: there are always people who want to be talked with about religion." Pastoral letters are reported by a number. One pastor has learned the birthdays of all the young people, and writes them birthday letters which contain a personal appeal. References to books and literature are surprisingly few; the word "tracts" is mentioned by only two or three; but "leaflets" seem in some measure to have taken their place. One pastor who advocates the use of the printed word reports, that "conversations are often impossible through the shyness and reticence of young people as to religion; but a good book is never refused and often proves of great help." Where conversation is possible, and especially where it is not, intercessory prayer is important. "I have a list of the unsaved for whom I pray daily." "As I look on the unsaved and think of the helplessness of human endeavor, nothing seems so necessary to the work or so deplorably absent in myself as power in intercessory prayer."

Much is naturally made of enlisting others in such work. A few report urging parents "to restore the lost art of religious conversation in the family." Some pastors have formal or informal societies of the "Win One" type. In some churches, the brotherhood of Andrew and Philip has proved an efficient organization for securing personal labor. In others, the Society of Christian Endeavor is thoroughly organized for spiritual work, every member having something to do, and every unconverted person at all accessible being assigned to at least one worker. One pastor reports that his whole church is so organized. But the churches, as a whole, evidently prefer to think of themselves as the pastor's field rather than his force. "It is comparatively easy for the pastor to speak

to five different persons; it is hard for him to find five different Christians willing to speak the words they want him to speak." Less difficult is the formation of prayer circles which are reported in various churches; sometimes they meet for social prayer; sometimes they are simply asked to let the pastor know for whom they are praying, so that he may co-operate in the endeavor.

Meetings at the parsonage, occasional or regular, are reported by some, where opportunity is given for explicit conversation upon the great concerns of salvation. Pastor's classes in the great doctrines and duties, for those intending to join the church, or desiring to understand the principles of the Christian life, are springing up in various places, and are evidently one of the most hopeful signs of the times. "Since the age from twelve to sixteen is universally regarded as that of the greatest religious sensibility, that church is wasting its most precious opportunity that pays no special attention to youth at this period."

Indirect methods, such as Boys' Brigades, Men's Clubs, Business Men's Topic Class, reading rooms, temperance work, are reported under this head. Certainly these efforts do not have conversions as their immediate object; but as certainly the church cannot expect conversions if it shows no care for anything else. "The spirit of friendliness must be made conspicuous and unmistakable."

A great variety of special meetings marks the work of the churches. Sometimes a group of churches in a community will unite. Sometimes neighboring pastors agree to give each other special help in turn. This method was especially recommended by Mr. Moody, and has been taken up in several different parts of the State this last year. Passion Week has come into general favor as a time for devotional meetings, and seems now fairly to rival the Week of Prayer as a season for special effort. Some pastors begin their evangelistic work with the week of prayer, and continue it up to Easter Sunday. One writes, "Some special meetings every year, of from two to four weeks, are absolutely essential to the church that would keep itself in fighting trim." In general, these services are held without the assistance of a special evangelist. Where the evangelist has been used, some report large results in conversions; some, only a general awakening among the Christians. Less formal in character are the neighborhood or household meetings, in some churches, always beginning at the week of prayer, and continuing until they have been held in every house that is willing to open its doors.

Turning now to the regular and ordinary church gatherings, many pastors report that the evangelistic spirit and purpose is always present. "I never preach a sermon anywhere, at any time, that does not urge the reasons for accepting Christ as Saviour and Lord." "I do not hesitate to say '*You*,' in speaking to the unconverted." "I am always planning for results, and training myself and my people to look for results from our ordinary meetings." Others, however, are not in the habit of making any formal appeals to the impenitent as such. "I would like to," writes one pastor, "but they don't come to church, and will not come, unless

they happen to be members of Christian families." Another considers the distinction between penitent and impenitent as often misleading: "I present Christian truth as having a claim on all men, whether they acknowledge it or not." This conception of preaching evidently rules in the Sunday morning service, which seems to be considered as belonging characteristically to the older people and the members of the church. But judging from these reports, a decided majority of the pastors have a different audience in the evening, made up of young people and "floaters"; and the Sunday evening sermon is the time, if ever, when the fisherman not only seeks to get his net around the fish, but actually to land them.

The truths emphasized naturally differ considerably. "Argument, warning, invitation, entreaty, are all employed." The appeals that were most effective a generation or two ago, based upon the peril of the soul and the dreadfulness of sin, are still made prominent by not a few. "Without the recognition of these awful facts, people have no special interest in religion; if there is nothing serious from which they must be saved, salvation is no serious concern." But most seem to depend rather on the value of the soul, the needs of the world, the nobility of service, the mercy of God, the rightful claims of Christ, and the like.

Some pastors are strongly opposed to revival methods. "They are like shaking the fruit off the tree. Sharp and energetic measures may bring down a good deal of fruit, but it is likely to be much damaged in the process." "I do not seek expression made under social excitement and strong temporary pressure. I want the soul to make a calm and deliberate decision alone with its God." Others say that they have repeatedly tried these methods, but with no special success. Others say they believe in them, but their people do not, or their people are not the kind that can be reached by them. For one reason or another, a great majority of our pastors do not desire the assistance of an evangelist, and do not employ the methods used by the evangelists. In most of our services, even Sunday evenings, no attempt is made to secure definite decision, with some external sign of that decision. Thus the second question, What methods of personal appeal do you use in your services? received this as one answer: "None, beyond the use of the English language, with the best skill, power, and earnestness available, supplemented by private visitation."

There is, however, a vigorous and aggressive minority who habitually use revival methods, or their equivalents, believing that the church must often focus its influence upon decision for Christ, or it is in danger of sinking to the level of a society for ethical culture. The method most commonly used is that of an exhortation leading up to the appeal to raise the hand, or to rise, as an expression of religious interest. Many pastors always ask for some expression of Christian purpose or consecration on the part of the church members present, before they appeal to the unconverted. Various forms of cards are used, some simply expressing desire, others purpose. Sometimes requests are made that those who are willing should stay in their seats for the after meeting, or for personal conver-

sation; sometimes, that they should come forward to the pastor and give their hand in pledge. Not a few pastors report: "I use any and all methods." "Everything conceivable by the human mind, and suggested by the divine mind." "Anything that I think will work." The radical difficulty in all such endeavors is indicated by one who sadly says, "I try everything, and it is the sorrow of my life that all methods fail." Another writes, "I am at my wit's end; can you suggest any new methods?"

Next to the Sunday evening preaching service, the Christian Endeavor meeting seems to be the one most generally used for such appeals. A number report the junior society as the place where they put the most pressure and get the largest results; others find the senior society the most hopeful field. The efficient work of the Christian Endeavor committees is gratefully acknowledged by some pastors. The consecration meeting is sometimes made the time for more pointed address. The Sunday school is also used. Teachers are urged to bring definite influence to bear on their pupils. Sometimes the review Sunday is given up to an evangelistic service or prayer meeting. Some Sunday schools hold a prayer meeting as a regular part of the ordinary service. One writes, "We have in the Sunday school many young people who never attend any other meeting, and we try to reach them by a brief prayer meeting held occasionally at the close of the Sunday school session." A Decision Day for the Sunday school has lately begun to win favor. In Pennsylvania, a very general use has been made of this method, but it seems barely started in this State. One report says, "Nearly every scholar has surrendered to Christ." One pastor follows Decision Day with a communion class, so arranged that the candidates join the church on Flower Sunday.

The third question is as follows: Is there any indication in your region of a renewed interest in the salvation of souls? Many of the replies are sombre in tone. "A majority of the church are self-satisfied and indifferent." "As a whole, the church is dead to the peril of the unsaved; it seems to have lost the passion for souls." "Most people care but little for souls in heathen countries, and but little more for the heathen at home. Missionary momentum is sadly deficient." "Theological discussions are withering our faith." "The authority of the Bible is being undermined." Of quite another sort is the answer, "Neighborhood quarrels have destroyed the love that seeks after souls." Still another is stated thus: "The older Christians seem to have resigned their responsibility to the Christian Endeavor Society, and that, though active, is lacking in experience and spirituality, and cannot do the work the mature Christians ought to do." "The Christian Endeavor Society means well, but there are spiritual deficiencies that mark all its work with palsy." "I hear rather more pious wishing, but I see no more consecrated work." "A few express some anxiety, but no one lies awake nights thinking about it." "Working for souls involves many embarrassments, and few are willing to face embarrassment."

Others indicate some rays of hope. "There is not much interest among

the saints, but the sinners are showing a new interest." "I find direct evangelical methods are meeting with more respect and more ready response than I expected." "We have had no conversion for over a year, and the church is really getting serious." "The impotence of the church in general is arousing a few to new concern." "A few pastors and others seem to long for better things." One pastor writes: "I certainly am aroused as I never was before." Some report hopeful signs observed in church conferences, or Christian Endeavor conventions. "There is a new hunger for righteousness and power." "The prayer meetings indicate that more praying is being done, and better praying." "Our prayer meetings do not run to talk as much as they did." "There is a new humility and confession of unworthiness which is most hopeful." "I see an increase of conscientiousness among Christians, and a greater readiness for personal work." One reports: "We always have a renewed interest during the week of prayer." Another says: "The interest is cordial, but not marked. There is much quiet but persistent watching for souls." "The church is in motion, but it is the motion of a slow freight rather than of the Empire express." Another writes, with some indignation: "Our interest in the salvation of souls is always great." Another, in similar vein: "None unite with this church except those thoroughly interested in the salvation of souls."

Revival meetings, resulting in considerable additions to the church, are reported by some. One pastor is confident that there has been marked progress, because the Roman Catholic priests in his community are doubling their efforts to prevent the people from reading the Bible. Another is sure that many souls have been reached, but how many he cannot tell, because it is so common for beginners to think religion is something between themselves and their God simply. Another writes: "The fact that Abraham Lincoln did not join the church is being used here as a weighty argument against the public profession of Christ."

The fourth question reads as follows: Is there increasing worldliness among your church members? A few are sure that there is; more are sure that there is not. Many recognize that the question is a complicated one. "The good people are growing better, and the others worse," writes one. "The merely nominal members of the church are certainly an increasing hindrance," says another. "Church members are more worldly in some ways, and are not as much so in others," testifies still another observer. Many report, "I do not know"; "It is impossible to tell." One says: "Worldliness is a matter of the spirit, not of the occupation, and the spirit cannot be measured."

Of those who believe that worldliness is increasing, several refer to worldly amusements, mentioning whist parties and public dances. "In this and neighboring towns dancing is proving a terrible and increasing evil, preventing Christian growth and paralyzing Christian activity." "Card parties are the rage in this section, and the despair of my soul." The clubs and granges are sometimes found to interfere seriously with church work. The demands of business, especially in these hard times,

the fatigue of overwork, the cares of prosperity, are cited as sources of a secular spirit. Different points of view are indicated by these two responses: "My people are so busy that they have no time to be worldly." "My people are so preoccupied that they have no time to be spiritual." Another writes: "Many of my people are compelled to work on Sunday as well as during the week; I cannot get at them at all." The decline of Sabbath observance is noted by many; the habit of sleeping late Sunday mornings, the disposition to occupy the day with the Sunday newspaper, with social visitation, with bicycle excursions, with anything and everything but that which will make it a holy day, are presented as the most ominous signs of the times. Some report that only a few are more worldly, but they are among the most influential in the church or in the parish. Others feel that the trouble is universal, a lapse from a spiritual state to that of a mere general goodness, that is content with Sunday morning attendance, and for the rest of the week runs a neck and neck race with the respectable world.

Some who declare confidently that there is no increase of worldliness, qualify this statement by the damaging addition that there could not well be. "The church cannot be more worldly, and be a church at all." "The line of separation between the church and the world is very faint indeed." From two churches comes the statement that worldliness is increasing among the women faster than among the men; in two others, the worldliness of the young people is the hardest problem that faces the pastor. One pastor is sure that the world in general is more worldly, and that his church is suffering because of the increased evil outside, but is making a good fight. Another writes, "Despite worldly influence outside, my church is more than holding its own." Other pastors plant themselves on the truth that all things are ours, including the world, and thinks that "worldliness" is much in need of more careful definition. "There is an increasing tendency to make right and good use of this world." One answers, "No; there is not more worldliness, but there is increasing enterprise and diligence in business, more ambition for worldly prosperity." This seems to be the case in one church, where they had thought they could not raise a certain sum for repairs, but succeeded in raising four times the amount originally requested, which the pastor naturally gives as a proof that his church is not worldly. Another pastor, of a different mind, writes, "It is easy to raise money here, but I cannot get my people to support the prayer meeting." The problem of pleasure is thus stated by one: "Christians are learning how to go to the theatre, etc., and yet be earnest church workers and maintain spiritual mindedness." Several replies indicate that even the world is not so worldly as it was. "There is a more healthy form of worldliness than formerly." "The spirit of Christ prevails more outside of the church than it once did." On the contrary, is the testimony of one who says, "It is not the worldliness of the church, but the worldliness of the world that embarrasses me."

In a noticeable number of replies, there is a distinct note of triumph: "The spiritual life is deepening," is a phrase used again and again.

"There is a marked decline in worldliness." "We have had a revival, and wordly amusements have been put into the background." "Our church is increasingly a living force in the community." "My people are the best people on earth." "We have many noble men and women with whom the home and the church are the two great interests of life." One pastor replies with spirit, "Certainly not; our church members are converted to God, and as such they live a new life."

Last fall the committee ventured upon the somewhat unusual step of sending out an appeal to the churches, based on the fact that additions to the churches of our own and other denominations have of late been sadly small. The harvest returns have been strangely meagre, considering the amount of work done in sowing and cultivating. Various reasons for this comparative failure were suggested, and the prayerful consideration of the churches was invoked. The responses to this appeal were cordial, and were not confined to this State. It found many who were thinking along the same lines; it set some to thinking, if we can judge from the letters that came to us. The committee is unanimous in believing that the church of Christ must not only be evangelical, but evangelistic; that it must not only be wholesome and attractive, but aggressive and spiritually masterful; that it must not only be a lighthouse, sending its guiding rays near and far, but a life-saving station, rescuing individual souls from peril.

As they see the situation, it is at once most serious and most hopeful. Certainly the responses from the two hundred and forty churches present in the main a spirit and purpose that should cause us to thank God and take courage. What some style, contemptuously, "the hustling for souls" has never been characteristic of our order. But our churches as a whole cannot be fairly charged with worldly indifference or intellectual sterility. There is much of desire and longing, much intelligent study of the situation; many are planning their work and working out their plans; there is humble prayer before God, and hopeful conference with the brotherhood. There is a new call to catch the spirit of our Master, who is always expecting results, "from henceforth expecting, until he make his enemies his footstool."

From the words that came to us, none are better for the conclusion of the matter than these: "In a more spiritual type of preaching, in preaching upon the great themes, is our hope for the church. A larger burden of conviction and loyalty to the great end of preaching, viz.: the bringing of men to God, and God to men, must come upon the minister in the pulpit and out of it. The Gospel as an evangel has a hungrier world waiting for it in the twentieth than in the first century." And this appeal comes with equal force to the laity. The sure sign of a revived church is the acceptance, by the individual Christian, of the same standard of consecration, of spiritual directness and singleness of mind, which he applies to his pastor. The one characteristic of the apostolic church which we most need to reproduce is brought out in the description: "They went everywhere, preaching the word."

COMMITTEE ON "THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES" ON SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

BY FRANK L. BRISTOL, UXBRIDGE.

At Brockton, last year, the report of Secretary Hazen showed a falling off in our Sunday school membership throughout the State to the number of 3,666. No such loss had been chronicled since 1882, when there was a loss of 10,999, and the question naturally arose as to the cause of it, so that the General Association, at its last session in 1899, voted, "that the decrease of attendance in the Sunday schools of our churches during the past year be referred to the committee on Work of the Churches."

Your committee took this matter under consideration at its first meeting, and appointed a sub-committee to make the investigation and report. A letter was sent to the scribe of each of the twenty-five conferences, and a reply was received from eleven of them. A report was then made to the committee, who voted to retain this sub-committee, and that they should make a still further and more careful investigation, and report to this body. For this purpose a set of eleven questions was sent to the 618 Sunday schools of our denomination. From these we have received 439 returns, from which we compile our report.

We felt in the beginning that the decrease was not actually established, and the returns that we have received lead us to suppose that there has been no such decrease as the figures of last year, and those of this, indicate. In fact, they look like gain rather than loss. In the figures that we have received, the Home Department is included, and probably it is not in the figures given by the secretary of the Association. Two hundred and seventy-three schools report a gain in average attendance of 7,744, and 273 report a loss of 3,282. Of these, 144 city schools gain 564, and the 293 country schools gained 1,999. The average increase in attendance for the city schools, about four to a school, while that of the country has been nearly seven to a school. The total membership of the 144 schools reporting from the cities is 50,788, while the 293 country schools number 38,322, and the average gain has been 9 per cent for the country, and 8½ per cent for the city. We have given these figures to show that the country or outlying districts are doing their best to keep up the interest in the work. One peculiar feature of these reports has been that some schools, that by their figures show a loss, say no decrease, while some that have made a gain, mourn over their loss; and many have lost in membership, but gained in average attendance.

Permit us to present a few more figures: 199 schools report Home Departments, one of them having a Home Department larger than the membership of the regular school; 9 schools are graded and 4 have a kindergarten; 19 report a corresponding decrease in their congregations as that in the Sunday school.

One question asked, was: "In your judgment do the activities of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor tend to lessen or increase Sunday school attendance?" While your committee believed that this society is an advantage to all Christian work, yet much had been said to the contrary. Our replies are as follows: one third think that they affect it neither way. A few state distinctly that they lessen the attendance, and a little over one half, or a majority of all, declare that they tend to increase it.

Let us give you a few of the answers on both sides: "Many say they cannot attend both, hence choose the Christian Endeavor." "No one can tell." "Can't say Yes; do not care to say No." "Not prepared to say." "I think the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor is to be credited with much of the decrease in our Sunday schools." And one simply places the interrogation mark after the question. Others say some of the most efficient officers and teachers are Christian Endeavor members. "Most all our Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor members are regular attendants at Sunday school." "They are our best workers in the Sunday school." "Our Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor are warmly engaged in the Sunday school. Every officer and chairman of our Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor except one is a teacher or officer in the Sunday school." We will not multiply these answers.

Again we have tried to find how far the spiritual life or the bringing of the soul to Christ has been the aim of the Sunday school work, and only about one half, or 238 schools, make this claim. Some of the answers have pained us. One says, "Sunday school teaching is becoming more educational than spiritual, I am sorry to say." Another, "My aim is conversion first; but can you depend upon the teachers always for the point?" "A matter left entirely to the teachers." "More to interest the scholar than anything else." "More to interest than conversion." "Some teachers have no aim but general moral teaching." "A school for Bible study, not a place for exhortations; it is educational." "To make character, not Bible critics." "Am surprised that the question should be asked, and yet —" Again, take a glance at the helps that are used, — Pilgrim, Peloubet's, Westminster, Cook's, Bible Study Union, The Reformed, American Sunday School Union, — all kinds. Very little Bible, plenty of helps.

But you have asked us to find the cause of decrease. All these things are but showing which way the wind blows. We claim that so far as our returns go, that there has been no general decrease; and when we find reports like the following: 39 out of 42 joining the church came from the Sunday school; 16 joined the church; 15 joined the church; 21 united with the church; 11 came into church fellowship; and then this sorrowful wail, only 5 joined the church last year. Another: 95 per cent of the school signed a pledge at the beginning of the year to try to lead a Christian life. "Our school constantly growing in numbers and spiritual life, and adds a number to the church each year." "Points to an increase this year, and a spiritual growth." "Fifty-one present every Sunday last year." And in one school of 160 members, there were 25 conversions last

year. Now these are encouraging facts and ought to make us glad. Yet we are told that last year there was a great decrease, and we were to find why. We will not try to give you all the whys, for time would fail. Some of the causes cannot be remedied. Old people dying off. Business depression. Removals from town. Protestant element leaving and foreigners coming in, either with no religion or Roman Catholic. Purging the membership roll. Repairing church building and no fit place to hold the school. Church burned. Carelessness. Indifference. Lack of men to help. And one gives these three reasons: "1. Lack of parental authority. 2. Smaller families. 3. Our people obliged to leave town to find employment." "No interest." "Difficulty in securing teachers." "Adult church members do not take interest." "Losing young men for lack of teachers." "A lack of suitable teachers; not those who do not know enough, but those who possess the rare combination of ability and force to hold a class, and eventually bring them to Christ." "Low spiritual condition." "The bicycle and the electric car more attractive than the Sunday school." "Young people consider the Young People's Society Christian Endeavor the all-sufficient, and the superintendent is too old to be interesting." "Lack of Christianity in the home." "Lack of interest in Bible study." "The efforts of some Christian leaders to pose as progressive thinkers, and their subtle suggestions against the authenticity of the Bible." "The stress laid by preachers upon sociological matters to the neglect of the exposition of the word." "The effort to make the Sunday school intellectual rather than a combination of the intellectual and spiritual." "The Sunday newspaper." And one gives as the main reason: "The young women getting married, and the young men going away to school."

But we will not weary you by continuing the reasons; multiply the numbers, their name is legion. There is a defect somewhere; there must be a cause if this state of things exists; some schools are like that of which one speaks, who says, "In our church the enthusiasm except in the pastor was chiefly lodged in the past two generations. The present are not as warm blooded." Another says, "There are too many ignorant, narrow-minded, shiftless, improvident, and lazy men and women who consider they are saved. We need to make intelligent Christian men and women who shall be of some use to the world." Now these things exist. These statements have been made by men and women who are in the work. But there is another side to the story. Others are increasing their schools; but How? do you ask. "House to house visitations." "Individual work." "Consecrated teachers." This is repeated again and again, "Consecrated teachers." "Personal visiting." "Preaching of the gospel in the church." "Fellowship between all the societies of the church and the school." "Conducting the affairs of the school in a systematic way." "All officers feel the responsibility of their obligation as such." One school has an executive committee consisting of pastor, superintendent, and three good workers who meet the first Monday of each month to plan. The Christian Endeavor helped to increase one. Here, then, are the facts as they

have been culled from the 439 reports we have received from as many schools; but where are the 179 that should have reported and have not? If there is a decrease in membership, if there is a falling off in our Sunday schools and we must look for the cause, is there not an inkling of the cause in this very fact of the lack of interest in the work, even among those who should take the greatest interest in the matter, and does it not show itself in the fact that they would not, or felt they could not, or did not see the use of answering these few questions which would enable your committee to make a more complete report?

Now, what are the conclusions to which we are drawn by the knowledge we have obtained? We believe the bicycle, the electric cars, and the Sunday newspaper have much to do with this whole matter. We also believe that a large number of our churches are over-organized We do not mean by this, that there is too much organization, but too many organizations, and that these varied organizations sap the life and absorb the vital working forces of the church and minimize the importance of the oldest, greatest, and most important of all the organizations within the church. We believe the church does not properly support the school in many instances, either financially, or, what is more important, by personal influence and interest. That too often the school is left to run itself and the church and church members are indifferent to its claims, and we believe that another reason is the lack of definite interest shown in the Sunday school work as such in the local conference and General Association. For where the conference gives special time to this branch of the work there are always better and more promising results. As, for instance, in one conference which gives one day each year to the consideration of this branch of church work, under a committee chosen for the purpose, there is a steady growth.

Still further, we believe that the decrease is more in appearance than in reality, owing to imperfect reports that are sent in without a careful consideration and search for accurate statistics; and further, if we glance over the reports for the past thirty-five years, we find that notwithstanding the fact that the report from Jan. 1, 1898, to Jan. 1, 1899, showed a loss of 3,666, and the report from Jan. 1, 1881, to Jan. 1, 1882, gave a loss of 10,999, yet there has been a gain of 49,785, and a loss of 22,987, leaving a net gain of 26,798, an average of 766 a year on the side of gain; and this with several schools each year failing to make any report.

Here are the facts as they have been given to us by the Sunday school workers in all parts of the State, telling the story for themselves. This is a matter of vast importance, of vital interest. Let it have the prominent place that it should, and we are sure that if these suggestions are followed, *i. e.*, a more definite interest in the Sunday school work be felt in the home, in the church, among the adult members, in local conference, and in the General Association, there will be no further need of looking for the cause of decrease, for there will be such an increase and growth as even the most sanguine Sunday school enthusiast never yet dreamed of.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

We believed the best method to obtain the report we needed was through the superintendents, and by neither pastor nor clerk.

The returns received were as follows: —

226 schools report a gain of	8,054
182 schools report a loss of	5,271
31 schools report the same as last year, leaving a net gain of	2,783

Should the schools not reporting have gained or lost in like ratio (and we see no reason why they should not), we would more than counterbalance the reported loss of last year.

Now there is a seeming discrepancy between the above figures and those given by the secretary of the Association. We believe that this can be accounted for largely to the fact that we have included the Home Department in our report, and it is doubtful if these are included in the report of the secretary. We would therefore suggest that each Sunday school hereafter report its Home Department separate from that of the general school.

REPORT OF BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.[1]

REV. CHARLES B. RICE, SECRETARY, DANVERS.

The Congregational Board of Pastoral Supply respectfully presents to the General Association of Massachusetts its sixth annual report.

During the year ending at the first of May we have rendered service in matters connected with pastoral settlements to one hundred and fifty-six churches. Of these churches there were in Massachusetts 71, in Maine 18, in New Hampshire 21, in Vermont 10, in Rhode Island 2, in Connecticut 7, in New York 7, in North Carolina 1, in South Carolina 1, in Kentucky 1, in Missouri 1, in Ohio 1, in Minnesota 1, in South Dakota 1, in North Dakota 1, in Kansas 1, in Nebraska 1, in Illinois 1, in Wisconsin 1, in Colorado 2, in Utah 2, in Oregon 1, in Washington 2, and in Nova Scotia 1.

We include in this reckoning nothing except that which has been done officially in reply to requests from authorized representatives of churches. Much besides has been done indirectly in answer to inquiries not strictly official, of which no account has been made. We do not reckon here the furnishing of occasional or temporary supplies. It is not meant that pastoral settlements corresponding to the number of churches thus given have been directly brought about in connection with the work of our office; but distinct official consultations relative to the filling of the pastorate have taken place to the extent above stated.

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The number of actual settlements in which we have had an important share has been fifty-four. In very many other cases where no settlement has directly occurred, the service has been regarded as important and valuable, and has met with hearty recognition.

Many ministers have also had conference with us respecting the acceptance of calls from churches which have not themselves corresponded with us, and these are not counted in the reckoning as it has been given. Many consultations have been had with ministers who were considering the question of leaving their fields of labor. Sometimes, under such conditions, the pastor has decided to remain with new hopefulness, and has had, afterward, occasion to rejoice in the prosperity of his work. Frequent inquiries come to our office concerning terms of pastoral settlement and modes of procedure in that relation. And it is probable that in some such cases helpful suggestions may have been made which the minister himself might have hesitated to offer.

A considerable part of the duty of our office from the first has been in the furnishing of safeguards against the employment, by the churches, of unworthy men. The proportion of such men in our Congregational ministry is exceedingly small, yet the actual number is large enough to call for concern and caution. The methods employed for getting access to the churches are sometimes peculiar. In one striking instance, during the early years of our work, letters of inquiry began to come to us concerning a man about whom another man had been writing in terms of warm and expressive commendation. When this man, thus commended, was engaged to preach in any church, another man and not the man commended appeared to come. It was not easy to discover the reason; but the aptitude for enlargement of personality by name or by aggregation or by fissural reproduction was clear and wonderful. After courteous letters of inquiry from our office concerning records and credentials, one of the men or names of men would depart from us for a season. Sometimes he had a call to a flourishing church in Alabama, or he went to assist our Baptist brethren in the coasts of New Hampshire and Maine, or, more commonly, he took up evangelistic work in the parts round about Chicago. Other names or fissions, however, shortly appeared, until in all they or he were seven. But under continuing kindly inquiry all at length — he, they, or it — vanished from among us. Multifarious letters that would be of interest to the student remain in our office. This legion is gone out. But the writing and issuing commendations of one's self over the signature of another person, imaginary or real, does not appear to have wholly ceased from among the ostensible Congregational ministers of New England. With all adventurers and with men of immoral life the changing of names is a frequent occurrence. We do what we can to gather material for identification which can be used for the security of the churches.

We have already in our office carefully collected records and statements concerning more than seventeen hundred Congregational ministers. The number is rapidly increasing. It is intended that it shall in no long time

include the pastors of all our churches in the eastern States, and indeed far beyond these limits.

Opportunities for preaching have been furnished during the year to 169 men. One hundred of these men were accounted candidates for settlement. In many cases the opportunities were repeated. The whole number of occasional supplies furnished amounts to 344. This does not include the preaching of candidates nor of men who have been supplying for a limited but considerable period of time in one place, nor the preaching of the secretary. The average weekly number of occasional supplies has been about six and three fifths. During the months from December to March, inclusive, it was but four. The number of men ready to preach has been many times greater.

Both as to candidates and supplies, it is to be considered that the work of our office is in some respects self-limiting. In so far as it may be well done, there may be less to do.

The secretary has preached on forty-eight Sundays of the year. On the other four Sundays his services were not called for. His preaching has been, to a great extent, in the smaller churches, which has been because he has been most wanted in small places. The average pay for his preaching has been $10.68. The average distance travelled, going and coming, has been eighty-seven and one half miles; and the total for the year has been about forty-two hundred miles.

Of the whole number of churches conferring with us in matters relative to the pastorate, there were 24 having a membership of over 300; 46 having a membership of from 100 to 300; and 86 having a membership of less than 100. Of these churches, 21 pay a salary of over $2,000; 44, a salary of between $1,000 and $2,000; and 91, a salary of less than $1,000.

The number of churches in Massachusetts without pastors is reckoned by us as 38. Four of these are churches that have made no effort to secure pastors for many years.

We render service in securing pastoral settlement only to those who are already enrolled or plainly entitled to enrollment in the lists of Congregational ministers. The secretary is not permitted to act in the matter of inducting men into the ministry of our denomination. He has not been restless under this restriction.

In collecting information concerning ministers the purpose is to bring together the opinions of intelligent and fair-minded men and women who have had means of knowledge. The judgment of a considerable number of persons is secured wherever this is possible, in order to avoid or lessen the risk of misrepresentation through individual prejudice in any direction. The business of the secretary in this connection is to collate and consider the testimonies which come to him, and to prepare from them fair and truthful summaries for the use of committees of churches. The judgment which he is expected to give is not, ordinarily, or scarcely at all, his own judgment, but it is his judgment of the general judgment. If he has been careless in collecting this general judgment, or if he does not convey it fairly, he is at fault. He is a collector but he is not a creator of

reputations. If in any case the product of the collecting process is not all that could be desired it might be more effectual to apply the remedy to the facts, rather than to the helpless individual whose evil fortune it has been to be compelled to have knowledge of them.

To a considerable extent the opinions thus brought together are the opinions of ministers concerning their brethren in the ministry. It is proper and pleasant to say that the communications which come from ministerial sources to our office bear upon them, as a whole, clear marks of carefulness and of kindness. They are not often distinctly critical or sharp or envious. To a very great extent they are discriminating and kindly both at once. The general tone of this large correspondence is in a high degree creditable to the character and quality of our Congregational ministry. It is distinctly helpful also as furnishing in part the basis for the work of our office. It affords materials for judgment and examples of what the judgments given on other men should be. Under these conditions it would be a failure without excuse if the statements which go forth from our office respecting ministers were not themselves marked somewhat with discrimination and with kindness.

Many inquiries have come to us from outside the State respecting the organization and methods of our Board. Extensive correspondence has been had with committees of the General Conferences of Vermont and Michigan and with representative men in New York and elsewhere. There is a growing belief that some more general provision must be made for the doing throughout the whole country of that which we are endeavoring to do in Massachusetts. The form which will finally be taken cannot be known. Some speak of a single central office; others of two offices or three, co-ordinated and working together, and others of still different plans. The practical difficulty of financial support is everywhere recognized, and also the need of carefulness that nothing vital nor valuable in our Congregational polity should suffer harm.

It is well known that an agency for pastoral supply has been for two or three years in operation in Illinois. It is under the direction of a state committee, but its actual work is done in close connection with the office of the secretary of the State Home Missionary Society. Its expenses are light, and they are met by fees from the ministers and churches that are served. We suppose it employs no one who gives his time wholly to the business. Its management is in excellent hands, and its work is of great value. More recently an office upon the same plan has been opened in Ohio. Both of these agencies have had from the first whatever assistance the experience of our Board could enable us to furnish. We are not the less interested in their success because their organization is unlike ours. With the conditions existing in those states, the method followed is doubtless the best. And indeed it is, doubtless, at present, the only practicable method.

There is not with them as yet so strong and compact a body of Congregational churches as we have in Massachusetts and the adjoining states for the support of such an agency. They are likely to be embarrassed by

the smallness of the administrative force which they may be able to employ, and by the consequent limitations of the work that can be done. Yet it is most heartily to be hoped that they will go on and prosper. These experiments running in part on lines unlike to ours will help the more in leading us all into the methods which may prove most safe and effective.

It should be added that there is in Connecticut a committee for the State which serves, we think, without expense, and which gives aid by correspondence to churches and ministers in the matter of pastoral settlements. Its counsel cannot fail to be valuable to whatever extent it is sought.

The general interest in this subject has appeared also in extended notices in English papers of the work of our Board.

The account of H. N. Ackerman, treasurer of the Board, is as follows: —

EXPENSES.

Rent and care of room	$354 00
Electric light	8 30
Awning	3 50
Repairing clock	50
Stationery	43 64
Advertising	46 20
Postage	69 45
Telegraph and telephone	11 89
Travelling expenses	88 57
Salary of secretary's assistant	450 00
Salary of the secretary	2,000 00
	$3,076 05
Balance due April 30, 1899	862 52
	$3,938 57

RECEIPTS.

Preaching by secretary	$513 00
Office fees	223 75
Special gifts from churches	33 37
H. P. Emerson, treasurer	2,529 19
Balance due the Board April 30, 1900	639 26
	$3,938 57

There is also interest on delayed payments of the secretary's salary, at four per cent, to April 30, $341.38.

A considerable addition has been made to the furnishing of the office at the expense of one of the members of the Board. Nearly the whole outfit of the office from the first has been provided for by individual gifts without expense to the churches, at a cost of more than $400. There is now due the secretary $639.25. There are no other debts. The indebtedness last year was $862.52, a decrease of $223.27. In our last report we estimated the amount needed for the maintenance for the Board, over

and above the cash receipts of the office, to be $2,300. The actual balance of expense has exceeded the estimate by $5.92. There are fees due to the office which will somewhat more than cover this amount. The requirements of the Board would be almost exactly met by a contribution of two cents for each church member, which is the same with the amount proposed to be raised for the year just closed. We ask that this sum may be given us this coming year.

We share fully in the desire that this burden should be made as light as possible. Our schedule of office fees has been revised, giving some increase of receipts. The new scale was in operation for only a part of the year; and the gain for the next year will be larger. At present, all ministers, Massachusetts ministers included, are charged a commission of ten per cent for sums received for preaching outside the State, and for pastoral settlements one per cent of the salary to be received. All ministers from outside the State are charged at the same rate for opportunities for preaching in Massachusetts. But for such opportunities Massachusetts ministers pay nothing. And for settlements within the State no ministers pay anything. In other words, for opportunities furnished outside the State all ministers pay fees; and within the State no fees are paid except by ministers from abroad who have opportunities for preaching as occasional supplies. The receipts of the office would be somewhat increased if similar charges were made to Massachusetts men for these supplies within the State; but it has not as yet seemed best to the Board to do this.

It was stated in our report of last year that the payments received for work of many sorts beyond the limits of the State are small and inadequate to the service rendered; and also that it is not easy to devise a full remedy without an appearance of narrowness which we have not thought our churches would wish us to present. Many inquiries are received which we hesitate to follow with a bill of indebtedness. Often they may come from Home Missionary secretaries or superintendents. Often they may be concerned with settlements which are not yet wholly of our proposing, and for which it is hard to tell what compensation we should receive. It is likely, however, that our practice in this respect may be further revised and financially tightened. Yet it is to be considered that if all this work outside the State were to be cut off, our actual expenses would not be much lessened; so that in this point of view it is not costly, and it brings us incidental advantages in many respects.

As to fees for settlements within the State, we have been most clear in thinking that the policy of the Board from the first should be sustained, and that no such charge should be made. The Board exists for the benefit primarily of the churches. It has been administered always with the interests of the churches first in mind. Recommendations or statements concerning ministers are never, under any circumstances whatever, made with a view first to the finding a settlement for any man, but always with the purpose of doing that which shall be most to the advantage of the church conferring with us. And the main advantage of our work as a

whole is experienced by the churches, though the ministers have a share. It fits with this main and decisive purpose, that the cost of the work should be chiefly borne by the churches.

It is better, too, we are sure, that the churches of the State should adhere to their purpose, wisely formed and repeatedly expressed, of meeting this expense in some manner by general contributions from the whole body, rather than by casting it all upon the particular churches or the particular men that may happen at any time to be aided. The benefits of the system as improving the quality and efficiency of ministerial service are general benefits. The weaker churches which need our service most are the least able to meet its cost. They need the help of the stronger churches. And there is nothing, scarcely, we think, in which our principle of fellowship among the churches finds a more useful or needful expression. The concentration of expense upon the particular times when service might be required would make the burden at such times heavy. The churches would often feel unable to bear it and would miss the service. Our general contribution distributes the burden, somewhat as men do, wisely, for insurance. Then, and in additional controlling importance, it can be seen that the work itself of our office is likely to be better done while its cost is provided for as at present. It is done with greater freedom and with stricter responsibility, both at once. If the office had its support by the making of particular settlements, it would come under a certain suspicion or temptation of a business sort which it is better that it should not meet. And if the churches as a body should cease in some way to maintain the office, they would lose somewhat of the proper authority which they ought to have upon it. Those administering the office would feel some loosening of that most wholesome sense of full and strict and constant public obligation which ought never to be relaxed for a moment. It is not unsuitable to say that the man within our office is under heavy burdens, with delicate duties and subtle temptations. He needs the courage which comes by some general public relationship and support, and he needs the strengthening of heart and purpose which is brought by constant and cleansing thoughts of full public obligation and public watchfulness. Any occupant of the office would sorely miss both the sympathy with him and the authority over him if either were withdrawn or lessened. It is fortunate, too, now, with us in every way that the means for the enforcement of obligation by the directors of the Board are at hand, through the copying of every written word concerning any minister and the record of every day and place of preaching.

All these things stand related to the support of the Board in some manner, generally by the body of our churches as represented in this Association. Outside the State we have indeed now, what may be called the method of particular support, so far as it goes. But the work being controlled and chiefly maintained in Massachusetts, it is possible to carry a good measure of this sense of close public responsibility into what is done beyond the State. Yet there is felt in the office a continual risk of some creeping in of looser and less rigid principles. Our own methods are most safe.

Referring here again to the admirable agencies in Illinois and Ohio, it ought to be said that our brethren there have not, as we suppose, set out with a method of support different from ours because they judged it better in itself, but rather because it seemed for them the only method at present practicable. And it is to be considered, too, that the connection there existing between the work of the Pastoral Supply and the offices of the Home Missionary Society, while it has its embarrassments, does yet bring with it a measure of that public concern and public strength and public responsibility which are so much to be valued.

We should be ready ourselves to learn wisdom from every quarter. But while there are going on these shapings or beginnings of future things for the whole country, it is clearly best that we should hold fast the features of our own system which tend to make it most responsible and most safe. And it may be that further lightening of financial burdens will come with future wide extensions or modifications of our present methods, embracing a larger constituency of churches.

The general problems with which we have to deal are confessedly difficult. The embarrassments, especially, which are felt by many of our brethren in the ministry, are most serious, and they are hard or impossible wholly to remove. Salaries have fallen often at the same time that the general scale or cost of life has been raised. The amount of what is termed ministerial unrest may frequently be exaggerated in the statements made concerning it. The readiness of a man to change his place under the pressure that comes upon him ought not always to be called unrest. In many such cases we have ourselves constantly the wish that opportunities for change and improvement might be found where none appear. The power we have to render help falls continually far behind the desire we have to do it. But it should also be said with earnestness and thankfulness that despite the pressure in many cases of trying conditions the pastors of our churches are as a whole, we believe, prosperous and happy in their work beyond what falls to the average lot of man in other callings in life.

We repeat the request, often made before, that there should be no hesitation in pointing out whatever may appear to be error or neglect in the management of our work. It is the business of our office to get light by which it can correct its own errors and get clear somewhat of mistakes. We should hope to have no pride in this matter unless perhaps it were the pride of being able to go backward as well as forward. The churches and the ministers of Massachusetts have given to our Board much of support and much of confidence. We do not suffer ourselves to think, brethren, that we are not greatly in your debt. We ought not, perhaps, to say that if you will be patient with us, we will repay you all; but we can say, have further patience with us and we will repay you all we can.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

"Matters relating to the observance of the Lord's Day have had an unusually prominent place at the annual meetings of this General Association since the year 1891." These are opening words of the report made before this body in 1898, and they show the importance attached to this subject by the association. It is not an exaggerated estimate. It is well that a place has been made for a report this year. Fortunately the thorough presentation and discussion of this subject before this body in former years makes the task of your committee less difficult this year.

To repeat the arguments, appeals, and recommendations, so ably presented in previous reports, would be a waste of time. They ought still to be used as campaign documents. Touching the matter of Sunday observance, the conditions remain much the same from year to year, and all the reasons heretofore given in defence of the Lord's Day need still to be urged with as much frequency and cogency as ever. They might well be multiplied and strengthened.

The efforts to secularize and destroy the Sabbath are as determined and audacious as ever. The foes of the Sabbath are as alert, insidious, and persistent in their assaults upon this bulwark of our civilization as ever. Devices for evading the statute laws on Sunday observance are as ingenious, sinister, and specious as ever. The plea, in the name of personal liberty, for what, as a matter of fact, is the utmost license and lawlessness, touching Sunday legislation is urged with more subtility and sophistry than ever. The spirit of commercialism and greed is more assertive than ever. The apparent apathy of good people is as widespread and prevalent as ever. The difficulty of getting good men, immersed in business, to give thoughts, time, and personal attention to enforcing the legitimate claims of the Sabbath is as great as ever.

Such considerations as these, united with the fact of the low tide of spiritual life in the churches, justify the assertion that the Lord's Day, as a divine institution, was never in greater peril than at the present time. It is still on the defensive, and must make a strenuous and persistent fight to maintain its ancient prestige and influence as the best ally of the Church and a constructive and conserving force in the life of the Commonwealth.

It is always wise to observe the drift of things. Two or three noticeable tendencies may be mentioned.

First. The Lord's Day is becoming more of a holiday, devoted to pleasure seeking. Railroad and steamboat excursions, bicycle meets, golfing, yachting, driving, sleigh-riding and skating in winter, evening concerts, receptions, musicals, and various social functions are increasing. Thus the Puritan idea is yielding to the Continental usage.

Second. While the workingmen, as a body, though not fully agreed, are becoming more urgent in their demand for one rest-day in seven, — not necessarily the Sabbath, — some, if not most, of the great corporations and industries are becoming more tyrannical and reluctant to grant their employees this inalienable right.

Third. It is not worth while for the friends of the Sabbath to look to the Legislature of Massachusetts for help. The tendency of recent legislation is to weaken the force of existing Sunday laws. It *may* not be many years before most of them will be swept from the statute books.

Our chief confidence must be in the living God and in enlightened and quickened Christian sentiment. Old, threadbare truths and principles must somehow be freshened in the public mind. Frequent reiteration in the pulpit, in the Sunday school, in the prayer-meeting, in the Christian Endeavor societies, of the claims of the Lord's Day upon the individual, upon the Church, upon the State, and upon the community, is absolutely indispensable. It must be "line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little." The educational process is the most potent and hopeful factor in the problem.

Down-to-date literature, fresh, pertinent, convincing, bristling with the latest and best attested facts, scientific and ethical, briefly put, ought to be scattered broadcast through the Commonwealth. The Church ought to be prompt in availing itself of every possible opportunity to secure the co-operation of the laboring men, personally and through their organizations, in the good work. They have shown themselves amenable to wise proposals. It were much better to have them as allies than enemies, though it must not be expected that they will at present support us in all our measures.

The New England Sabbath Protective League is doing a great work, and deserves the most cordial and universal co-operation and support of the churches. It waits to serve, and asks the churches and the community to use it to the utmost. There is no better agency through which to do effective work. It would be a great gain if there were auxiliaries in every city and considerable town in the State.

The *Defender* improves every year. It ought to have the widest possible circulation. Pastors would do well to put it into the homes of their people.

The most fatal mistake is to imagine that nothing needs to be done; that all is going well; that the Sabbath is so intrenched in the hearts of the people that it can never be lost. There is a trumpet call just now to incessant watchfulness, prayer, and well-directed effort in its defence. Its ablest and wisest champions and defenders are the evangelical ministry and churches. To them comes, this hour, the old appeal, reinforced by the fact of new perils, but, likewise, by the assurance of new grounds of confidence and hope.

The Christian Church and the Christian Sabbath, identical in aim, will live or die together. They will not die, because God is on the throne and Christ is in the world.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE AGAINST GAMBLING.

Evidence that this committee has serious business in its care is found in the determined attempt recently made to induce the Legislature to repeal the statutes forbidding pool-selling at races.

Such bills have been introduced at other sessions, but the appearance of a strong body of remonstrants has hitherto led the petitioners to withdraw without a hearing. This year the bill took the form of a petition for local option to legalize betting upon the enclosed grounds of agricultural, breeders', and similar societies incorporated within the Commonwealth. Before the Committee on Agriculture it was pressed with an unprecedented force of the best legal talent and representations from influential citizens. To the best of their ability your committee has united with others to oppose this measure. At this writing the issue is still undecided, but it is expected that further vigorous work will be indispensable to secure its final defeat.

Your committee notes with pleasure that gambling has been steadily repressed and prevented for another year at both Mystic and Combination Parks at Medford. Honor is again due to Lewis H. Lovering, the faithful mayor of that city, who has thus, against the most persistent efforts on the part of the track people, enforced the law through the three summers in which he has held office.

Offering this as a report of progress, we recommend that the association appoint a similar committee to continue the work during the coming year.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WIDER CIRCULATION OF RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

BRETHERN OF THE ASSOCIATION: Your committee has searched for its proper domain of work. Our predecessors, ably led for five years by Rev. F. Barrows Makepeace, made its chief business to gather second-hand reading matter, both secular and religious, thousands of publications from many parishes, sending some to light-keepers or mariners of Maine, some to Southern Highlanders and Negroes, and the remainder to any who might receive them. Your present committee has done nothing of this kindly service. Perhaps such work is accomplished sufficiently through

missionary barrels and by private subscribers who enjoy having their papers and magazines re-read. It is well known that, in many hospitals and institutions of reform in our State religious literature will be gladly welcomed.

These neighborly attentions do not seem to need the stimulus of our State Association, nor does it seem fitting for this committee to perform missionary functions in behalf of other States. Our work is primarily to improve the churches of Massachusetts. To secure wider reading of religious literature among our own people is not an easy task, but it is an important one. The printed word becomes a mighty colleague or a bitter opponent of the pulpit and church. When the busy pastor of Topeka, Kan., will undertake to publish for a week a daily paper that might observe the fair claims of religious truth, and is ready to be pilloried throughout the English-speaking world for his failure, he marks at least one Congregational clergyman who recognizes the importance of religious reading.

Obviously the main reliance for wider circulation of religious literature is private enterprise. No paper or book that is uninteresting to the Christian public can or should be bolstered up by a church or association committee. Nevertheless, to excite an appetite for religious reading is Christian work that redounds to any church with a good increase of intelligence and grace.

The first book that needs pushing is the Bible. Of its own self it makes a way into many hearts, but many church members in this Commonwealth are weak Christians because they do not feed on the Word, and pastors fail to urge Bible-reading. The Christian Endeavor pledge to read the Bible every day is an impulse of the Holy Ghost. The members of our churches who do not look into a Bible from week to week, and who know not the Gospel of John from an Epistle of John, are legion.

The next sort of religious literature of the *vade mecum* class is the journal that brings a weekly or monthly budget of church news. If not the Acts of the Apostles, these are at least the Acts of the Saints. While it is true that now-a-days the secular newspapers report church happenings, conventions, sermons, and so forth, in a larger measure than ever before, there is need of additional and special treatment of our own denomination.

Journals like the *Outlook* and the *Independent* are esteemed purveyors of broad religious concerns. They enlarge and deepen the Christian intelligence so that most pastors who preach to minds already awakened by these journals feel the mental uplift. Common ground is established. The more thoroughly religious though undenominational papers, like the *Sunday School Times*, *Christian Endeavor World*, and others, are widely taken in our parishes as the tools of Christian workers. These papers are in many cases veritable associate pastors.

But better than any others for the interests of this Association are the papers of our own denomination. The *Congregationalist*, as a distinctive organ and well representing our State as well as all of New England, and the *Advance*, a valuable Western paper, should receive a wider reading among our people because of the benefits which they bring to the churches.

We are not at all afraid of being a unified denomination, and we perceive a bond of union that is vital in a paper which enters our homes with staunch loyalty to all our missionary boards, clear and intelligent views of what concerns our sisterhood of churches, and vigorous suggestions for the use of such tools as Congregationalism affords. If the people of our parishes depended for their knowledge of our denominational work upon what many pastors give, our missionary boards would suffer more than they do, and our loss of prestige among the churches of Christ would be deplorable. Any pastor may ascertain from the club agent in his parish how many copies of our Congregational publications are taken. He will usually find that not more than half the families financially able are subscribers. The need is a word from the pastor upon loyalty and educational values.

The same urgency on behalf of our missionary journals including *Congregational Work*, is recommended by your committee. The missionary societies in almost any of our churches would profit by a larger familiarity with such literature. A reading club in Cambridge has read "The Missionary Review of the World," Bryce's "South Africa," Gulick's "Missionary Progress," etc. Several pastors and Sabbath School teachers formed temporary reading clubs during the last season of Lent to enjoy together some of the best thoughts that authors have written upon the holy themes of life.

Many public libraries show a very small circulation of religious books. The reason is partly because the most interesting are not on the shelves. Whose fault is it? There are only seven towns without a public library in the three hundred and fifty-three of our Commonwealth. The functions of a Sabbath school library may be supplemented by these larger institutions. Should not our Sabbath school teachers or the pastors see that the town librarians make lists of books dealing with the life of Christ or missionary biography for the use of our young people? Already this service has been done, and frequently enough to commend it.

In any reform or progress in the work of circulating religious literature more widely, the key to the situation is with the pastor. The work of your committee is principally to remind him of his opportunity, and to gather such facts as the Association may desire. If this work requires the appointment of a committee for another year the Association will recognize the fact.

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TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Your Committee of Outlook on Temperance, appointed last year, with special instructions to consider the South Carolina dispensary system as a substitute for the licensed saloon, present herewith their report: —

The temperance outlook in our own State, in its legal and legislative aspects, remains practically the same as last year, as, by general consent among the temperance organizations, no effort has been put forth to amend the existing laws, and all attempts on the part of those opposed to their enforcement to modify these laws have been successfully met in the committee rooms of the General Court, although several bills are now pending before the Legislature.

Renewed discussion, however, has been given to the topic of temperance instruction in the public schools by the recent experiments of Professor Atwater of Wesleyan University, whereby he claims to have verified the partially acknowledged fact that alcohol taken in limited quantities into the human body is oxidized, and so produces a certain amount of heat, thus performing the *fuel* function of food.

These results have been widely circulated through the press and by public addresses given by the author of these experiments before associations of teachers and superintendents in New England and elsewhere, and have created widespread apprehension and some misapprehension among the friends of temperance; while equally widespread has been the deliberate perversion of the facts by persons commercially and socially interested.

From many sources vigorous and rebutting answers have been made to the proposition that alcohol is a food and not a poison, both from the physiological and moral standpoints. Notable among these replies was the pamphlet, "An Appeal to Truth," issued by the advisory boards of several national temperance societies under the direction of the Northfield Committee appointed last August by the Conference of Christian Workers.

It is to be remembered that the values of all such experiments are scientific and pathological, and therefore the popular claim that these investigations have proven alcohol to be nutritious as a beverage, and its moderate use a blameless habit, is not only entirely unauthorized by the facts but repudiated by the investigator himself, so that alcoholism still remains the same perilous and demoralizing habit it has always been.

The trend, however, of the discussion upon these chemical experiments, with their annexed and unscientific inferences, points, if we mistake not, to a coming temperance battle in the near future over the expert revision of the temperance text-books now in use in the public schools of the State. If, for any reason, such a revision shall be deemed necessary, we trust it may be committed to a thoroughly representative commission,

whose scientific standing and moral character shall command alike the confidence and respect of teachers and physicians and the friends of temperance instruction in the schools; for we believe that no backward step, either in method or in the integrity of the teaching would be permitted by the public sentiment of the Commonwealth. In this connection it is encouraging to note the reaffirmed loyalty of our teachers and superintendents to the theory and practice of temperance instruction in the public schools of the land, as witness the unanimously adopted resolution of the informal conference of educators and temperance representatives recently held in Boston to carry out the provisions of the present school law in Massachusetts, and also the hearty commendation of the National Superintendents' Association in Chicago.

The theory that the effects of stimulants and narcotics must be taught in the public school system. Following in the same line of corroborative testimony are the returns from the various school committees of the Commonwealth, now being published by the secretary of the State Board of Education. It will be remembered that these questions were sent out at the request of the legislative committee before whom the hearings of last year were conducted, to ascertain how generally the provisions of the present law, in its special temperance requirements, were carried out in the three hundred and fifty-three towns and cities of the State. These questions were explicit as to the time taken, the text-books or charts used, and the character of the instruction given; and the answers, as classified by the secretary, indicate definite compliance with the existing law in three hundred and thirty-seven towns and cities, representing over ninety-eight per cent of the population of the State. The remaining sixteen towns report compliance, but of an irregular character. Allowing for the varying personal equation and standard in these returns as to what constitutes compliance, the report is commended to your perusal as an evidence of the law-abiding spirit in Massachusetts towns, as well as the loyalty of her teachers in teaching these principles in our public schools.

Attention is also called to the special report submitted by the Mayor's Committee upon the "Penal Aspects of Drunkenness," to the Board of Aldermen in Boston, last January, a report remarkable for its exhaustive local study and its suggested civil remedies. Two bills have already been introduced into the General Court by this committee, whose double purpose is the extension and increased efficiency of the probation system in cases of fines and first offenders, and greater unity of practice among the city courts, in dealing with such cases. The bearing of this legislation upon commitments for drunkenness is apparent when it is remembered how largely such cases dominate the dockets of our Municipal Courts.

With this annual review of temperance interests in our own State, and leaving untouched some exigent national issues, now pending in our colonial governments, we turn to the special investigation committed to us, viz.: the Dispensary System of South Carolina. A *dispensary* (it is to be noted) is a place where supplies of one sort or another are given out under regulated conditions, and this is the word which gives the name to a

system under which, in an appointed place and with definite regulations imposed by the State, all liquor sales are made by an accredited agent. This was the system initiated in South Carolina by the State Legislature in 1892. Politically, this Legislature was pledged to the enactment of a prohibitory law, but under the leadership of Governor Tillman and for the sake of revenue, the Gothenburg plan, which had been successfully tried in the town of Athens, Ga., was adopted as a compromise measure and made the basis of a general dispensary law for the entire State. This law provided that the exclusive control of the liquor business should be vested in the State, and created a general Board of Control, with a special commissioner appointed by the Governor to carry out the details of the system. County Boards of Control were also appointed by the State Board for local supervision, and the law went into effect in July of the following year (1893).

As already suggested, the peculiar features of the law gather about the dispensary,—its establishment and conduct in communities where, upon the formal request of a majority of the voters in the district, it is to be located. The rules governing the dispensary are as follows: It shall be plainly fitted up, open from sunrise to sunset of each day, except Sundays, public holidays and days of election.

The petition of the applicant for the place of dispenser must be signed by a majority of the freeholders in the municipality where the dispensary is to be established, and he shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties.

All liquors sold shall be delivered in sealed packages and cannot be opened or drank upon the premises of the dispensary, the minimum package being one half pint of strong liquors and the maximum five gallons. All wines or malt liquors to be sold only by the bottle, and no sales to be allowed to minors or habitual drunkards; and all sales shall be made upon an application blank properly filled out and signed by each purchaser the books of the dispensary to be open always for the inspection of citizens.

All officials and agents appointed by the State for the conduct of this business to be *salaried* persons and of known temperance principles and habits.

The profits accruing from the dispensary sales to be devoted to the public school fund of the State and divided without discrimination between the several counties. Thus, under the dispensary system it is proposed,—

First. That only pure liquors shall be sold, as certified by the State chemist.

Second. That the element of private gain and personal interest shall be eliminated from the liquor traffic.

Third. That all social enticement and convivial habit, such as ordinarily inhere in the licensed saloon, shall as far as possible be put away.

In theory the dispensary system commends itself to every thoughtful man as a notable civic attempt to suppress the commercial and social abuse of the saloon.

In practical results, however, it is difficult to measure its moral and social values, because of the political conditions and varying legal fortunes under which it has been tried.

Cradled in a political conspiracy, which, from the first, alienated its friends and weighted it with deep personal animosities, the dispensary law was many times adjudged unconstitutional, thereby producing great moral and legal confusion in the public mind, and giving encouragement to all kinds of illicit practices.

At length, the law was declared constitutional by the United States Supreme Court, in May, 1898, and the State given ample police powers to control the liquor traffic within its own boundaries. Since that time the system has had an open field and a fair chance, with the result that, on the whole, it seems to be approving itself increasingly to the better public sentiment of the State. As was to be expected, the law has met the allied and abiding opposition of the prohibition party on the one side and that of the advocates of an unrestricted liquor traffic on the other; but the system is gradually being modified to meet its own weaknesses, and under an honest administration we may expect better results.

Already this law and system has commended itself to the neighboring States of North Carolina and parts of Georgia and Alabama, as well as South Dakota; and while it is exceedingly difficult at such arm's length as ours and amid widely diverse reports to pass upon the real merits of the system, yet the following claims seem tolerably well founded: —

That the consumption of the stronger liquors has steadily decreased, a conservative estimate being one third, while the nearly seventy per cent reduction in the number of United States licenses in the forty-one larger towns and cities in the State points in the same direction, but the consumption of malt liquors appears to be upon the increase

That under the dispensary system general drunkenness has likewise decreased, as well as those crimes which result from this fertile source of disorder. Further corroboration is given to this claim by the lessened number of commitments.

That the worst saloon influences have been largely eliminated and a corresponding tonic effect noted in the ways of orderliness and law-abiding habits, especially in the rural districts; and that the "blind tiger" of former years has less and less to live upon in the way of illicit business.

While recognizing these beneficent results in a system which has great possibilities for communities where a no-license vote is impossible, your committee would also note certain tendencies which, unless checked, will greatly vitiate, in their judgment, its general acceptance and practical use, viz.: the close alliance of the system with the politics of the State and those partisan methods of using a moral movement to strengthen a political machine, for this has already been the most damaging factor in the administration of the South Carolina plan.

We would also note the tendency to *push* the location of dispensaries and the sales of liquor in communities where they are not wanted, for the

sake of the revenue, which shall reduce the current taxes as well as increase the number of political appointees.

Moral difficulties in securing honest and capable officials have also been experienced, and the recent scandals which have seriously involved some agents of the State only make more apparent the reasons of their appointment.

Along with these political perils the ethical question projects itself: Whether, under a system so intimately allied with the civil and political interests of the Commonwealth, temperance sentiment in the education of the coming and active generation will go on to its moral and natural climax of total abstinence?

Such are some of the advantages and disadvantages of the dispensary system in South Carolina. And while your committee are not called upon to recommend temperance measures or compare other methods, the conviction has grown upon us in this study that for a Commonwealth like our own some modified form of the so-called Norwegian plan, with its voluntary companies of temperance men, is preferable to the dispensary system.

However, believing in local option as the ideal and practical temperance measure, with its no-license vote, your committee recognize the need in communities where such a vote is out of reach, of some such modified measures as these as an approach to that police control which the public has a right to demand in the conduct of a business which is the fruitful source of poverty and crime; and we look with hopefulness to such civil experiments as the dispensary system in giving the *clue* to a larger and wiser regulation of the liquor traffic.

One Word More!

The conviction has steadily deepened upon us in making this report that only via a popular campaign of temperance education can we approach even the partial and civil solutions of this problem. And while we would not abate the fullest and most conscientious use of the public school in its definite temperance instruction for our children, we would deepen, if possible, the duty of the hour in the pulpits of our Congregational churches in giving a larger place and power to this campaign of education against a traffic and a temptation which in all of our parishes is nullifying many of our best efforts for social and spiritual reform. Such a campaign of moral and scientific teaching on this momentous theme by the home, the school and the church, can alone carry the sentiment of the State up to the point where it can cope with a business which commands unlimited resources and is buttressed by an appetite and a vote.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.[1]

Very soon after their appointment, at the last meeting of the State Association, the members of the Committee on Labor Organizations came together to perfect their organization, and discuss plans of operation for the new year.

Deacon James G. Buttrick, of Lowell, was chosen Chairman, and Rev. Frank W. Merrick, West Roxbury, Scribe.

Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn, Mass., was added to the membership of the committee, in place of Mr. Spaulding, of Worcester, resigned; and Rev. E. L. House, of Dorchester, a former member of the committee, was also invited to resume his place among us.

After a survey of the work of the committee since its original appointment at Lynn (two of its present members, Messrs. Buttrick and Allbright, having served each year since that time), and after a thorough discussion of the field and the future, so far as these could be unfolded, it was unanimously decided not to attempt anything this year in the way of legislative enactment, but to make the work of the committee tell along the lines of education and correspondence.

This therefore has been the specific endeavor of your committee. The results cannot be tabulated in figures, or expressed in any detailed report. The fruit must be gathered, chiefly, by those who come after us.

Mention was made in our last report of the successful labors of this committee in securing legislative enactment for "an investigation of Sunday labor." That report has been published in pamphlet form by the Bureau of Statistics, of which Horace G. Wadlin, Esq., is Secretary. The pamphlet is designated "Sunday Labor." It is a valuable document, and has been widely distributed and quoted. We have not space here to present its findings, or to comment on the same. It is sufficient to say that it fully justifies the labor of your committee in securing its publication, and it has done valuable service in the line of our endeavor, by enlightening the public as to the encroachment of labor on the Sabbath, and the need of strenuous opposition against the secularizing tides of trade and travel.

The impact and momentum of this force which threatens to subjugate and beastialize the working men of this country by seven days of successive toil, was notably set forth by Dr. Thomas in his address at the late annual meeting of the Sunday Protective League. "Without a periodical rest day," said Dr. Thomas, "man is a slave, — his own or somebody else's. The man who has to work seven days a week 'to get a living' is either somebody's slave or his own fool, or the victim of the mercilessness of an unchristian civilization. The men who would, if they could, deny such periodical rest, are at heart *tyrants*."

The situation of affairs outside of our own State is indicated in an article

headed America's Working People," by Charles B. Spohr, and is published in the "Outlook" of Sept. 2, 1899.

Special attention is called to that part of the article which treats of Sunday labor. A single sentence will suggest the tenor and trend of affairs: "If the Evangelical Alliance, that is trying to get the mills to run less on Sunday, would apply to some of the workmen, they would find that we want to work less on Sunday than the managers say." This is the statement of one of Mr. Carnegie's employees at Homestead, and is a refutation of the declaration that workingmen want to labor continuously, for wages or any other reason.

Your committee make mention of the courtesy of the directors of the Evangelical Alliance of Boston and vicinity in granting permission to use one of their bi-monthly meetings for the setting forth of the aims and activities of the Weekly Rest Day Union. The meeting was largely attended. A representative of the Federation of Workingmen spoke, with other able speakers. An effort was made to induce the manager of the Boston Elevated Road to present his view of the Sunday labor question as related to the several thousand motormen and conductors in its employ. He declined somewhat tartly, and reminded your committee that this corporation had "money enough to manage its own affairs, and that their men were better paid than the average clergyman."

As this report must of necessity be brief, we close with this quotation from Jonas Weener, Esq., president of the Massachusetts State Branch of American Federation of Labor, who has been in correspondence with your committee: "It is clearly our duty to do all we can to improve the condition of the wage workers by legislation or otherwise, and we would be pleased to work hand in hand with any organization or individual in sympathy with the labor movement."

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SUPPLEMENTAL.

The decision reached by our committee at the beginning of the year, to which allusion in this report has already been made, not to seek legislative action, is now felt, in the light of to-day, to have been a mistake, and for these two reasons: —

1. We have recently learned that several of the committee to whom our petition for a law was referred were in favor of its enactment, and that action to report it in the amended form in which it came before the Senate was taken by the committee in their absence.

2. We have also learned from members of this same committee that

the witnesses present at our "hearing," in opposition to our bill, professedly as representatives of the respective labor organizations to which they belonged, were sailing under false colors. Instead of appearing in the interest of these organizations, they were there really in the interests of the corporations for whom they worked. Their testimony was inspired by selfishness instead of a spirit of brotherhood, and was given in the interests of the employers rather than the employed.

Our law as contemplated would apply to 157 transportation companies which employ 46,233 persons, 40 per cent of whom work Sundays. The three largest of these 157 companies are as follows: —

Kind.	Number of Companies.	Average Number Employed on Week Days.	Per cent Employed Sundays.
Electrics	73	10,326	80
Steam Roads	9	27,480	24
Express	9	1,778	16 to 17

As only 26 per cent of the employees of all the systems of transportation, except the electrics, do Sunday work, while on the electrics 80 per cent are compelled to do it, we will only refer to this class of wage earners.

ELECTRICS.

With the exception of one company (in Conway, employing only 7 men), all these 73 electric companies work their men Sundays, of whom, 69 run their cars 52 Sundays a year. Fifteen roads employ, substantially, *all* their working force on Sundays, and 2 roads work more men on that day than on week days. The per cent of Sunday workers who are employed 52 Sundays a year is 99.50, the exception to the rule of continuous toil being where by a system of rotation, a man may occasionally get a day off. These statistics are taken from the "Sunday Labor" report of the Bureau of Statistics, which report answers these three questions so often asked: —

1. Why is this Sunday work necessary?

(*a*) Repair work which cannot be done without inconvenience on week days.

But we are told in this "Sunday Labor" report that "in no case is the Sunday service restricted to (necessary) repair work."

(*b*) Public demand.

It is a significant fact that of all the Sunday work of all these transportation companies 88.96 per cent is caused by travel of passengers on the Lord's day, leaving only 11 per cent to cover the transportation of mails, milk and other perishable articles.

2. Is this Sunday work optional or compulsory?

The bureau's report answers, "65 per cent," of these men are *compelled* to do Sunday work. None of them are allowed any time off under pay

during the week in lieu of Sunday work. Practically each man is required to agree when employed to do his share of Sunday work, and "in event of his refusal would, if circumstances required, be discharged."

3. Do the employees of these transportation companies desire to have one rest day in seven? These men speaking, — not speaking through their "bosses," but for themselves, — answer, "Yes, we do." The railroad employees say "Yes."

The telegraphers, trainmen, locomotive engineers, and the National Order of Railway Conductors *have declared against all Sunday* work, or if necessary in favor of one day's rest in seven.

The electric railway employees say, "Yes." Hear their answer as voiced in this "Sunday Labor" report: "Every year since 1895, when this proposition has been made to the members of the Association (Conductors and Motormen's Union), they have voted, at least 92 per cent, 'Yes,' and a small minority, about 8 per cent, 'No.'"

In closing our report allow us to urge the importance of this reform movement in which your committee is engaged as the growth of the electric roads is considered.

While the increase of traffic on the steam roads during the last 8 years (1890 to 1898) has been only 3 per cent, the increase of travel on the electric roads for the same period has been over 100 per cent.

In view of this continual increase of Sunday work by the rapid growth of the electric roads; in view of the fact that at the present time there is no regular system of providing one rest day in seven to these wage earners; in view of the fact that all these roads have a waiting list by which they can easily provide a system of rotation which will provide one rest day in seven; in view of the fact that five great labor organizations are demanding this rest day; and that 92 per cent of the employees of the electric roads are calling upon the church to help them secure this great natural right, — in view of these things we most earnestly urge the Association to instruct its committee on labor organizations for the ensuing year to attempt to secure from the next legislature this wise and beneficent legislation.

SALUTATIONS FROM REV. S. H. EMERY.

Brethren beloved, convened in the General Association of Massachusetts, at Amherst:

Appointed a delegate to your body from the Taunton Association, it is with sincere regret that I find myself unable to attend. Nor am I willing your meeting should close without receiving from me a most cordial greeting. Your place of meeting is to me attractive, associated as it is with a college course terminating in 1834. Graciously spared to be perhaps the only surviving member of the Associational meeting in Westboro, in 1842, my greeting to you may be regarded as a word of welcome from the living ministry and church militant of nearly three score years ago — a part of the "great cloud of witnesses, compassing us about," of which the Apostle Paul wrote. These living, loving "witnesses" must be interested in your meeting. Above all, the Great Head of the church be with you and bless you in your present coming together.

Affectionately your brother in Christ,

SAMUEL HOPKINS EMERY.

TAUNTON, MASS., 12th of May, 1900.

REPLY.

AMHERST, MASS., 17th May, 1900.

Dear Dr. Emery:

Your communication was presented to the General Association by the Rev. Clayton Welles. The Association took great pleasure in receiving a greeting from a veteran so ripe in years and experience, and so rich in labors for Christ, and still so vigorous in mind and body. In order to express its appreciation and congratulations in fitting manner it appointed us a committee for this purpose.

We rejoice in the continuation of your presence and influence to the present time. We congratulate you on your manifest enjoyment of the divine favor.

We venerate you as a father beloved in the church.

May God fulfil unto you all His promises, and keep you in His own peace.

Heartily in behalf of the General Association, we are yours in Christ,

PHILIP S. MOXOM, *Moderator*,
A. H. PLUMB,
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EVERY PASTOR AN EVANGELIST.[1]

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An evangelist is not primarily a reaper. He may be or may not. The evangelist we are to consider is the publisher of good news. In this sense every pastor ought to be an evangelist.

What is the "good news"? That the Boers or the British are victorious? That some particular person did or did n't write the Pentateuch? That a novel creed or reform should be adopted or rejected? Some of these may be news; any one of them would be good news to somebody, and might be of some importance, and proper to mention. But no such thing is so vital to mankind, as to merit this characterization, — "The good news." What is the "good news"? That man is a sinner? This is no news. That sinners will surely be punished? No one would call that good news. That we ought to do right? That God will help us, if we try? That the divine law is holy? That Jesus was a beautiful character and should be obeyed and imitated? That our creeds should be sound and our personal belief correct? Surely these things are not "news" to our people. What is the "good news"? What message may every pastor proclaim with certainty of its supreme importance, its perfect quality, its perennial freshness? There is such a message, and we are not likely to differ as to its substance. Its range is infinite, but it has been stated for us in a single word: Salvation, full, free and offered to every man by God Himself. The word expressing the good news is less important than its content, and may vary. Jesus used another word, Life, eternal Life. Sometimes we employ the word pardon, not as the full word, but as the initial of the new life experience. Pardon, life, salvation is offered, illustrated, achieved, by Jesus the Christ. He accomplished it for man, through his own life, laid down and taken again. Hence the Evangel is summed up in His glorious name: "Jesus Christ and him crucified."

"The good news," then, is this: God now offers complete pardon, eternal *life*, full *salvation*, through Jesus Christ, to every man who will receive it; and this freely, with no added condition whatsoever. It is good; it contains the perfect excellence of God, himself. It is news. Life is always new, and the "glad tidings of great joy" are as new to-day as this particular spring time or as the child latest born into the world. Every pastor ought to be a publisher of this good news. It is our business, our particular, chief, and really our sole business. Whether we call ourselves preacher, shepherd, teacher, minister, our commission is still the same; *viz.*, to carry clear home to the hearts of men the good news.

We must not forget that a Christian Evangelist is also a witness. One may bring good news in a sealed packet, himself ignorant of its contents;

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or a wicked man may convince us that "honesty is the best policy." But the good news requires for successful propagation messengers who know the truth they bring. Any one can say, "Jesus forgave the sinful woman." The true Evangelist can add, "And he has forgiven me." Any one can say "Jesus Christ is the Life," for we read it out of a book that is true. But the Evangelist of whom we are speaking can say also, "Christ liveth in me." Pastor-evangelists will differ in talents, in training, in heredity; they will often be fettered by the bonds of temperament and habit, but concerning the clean heart and the new life in Christ Jesus, we should be able to say to our congregations, "I would that all who hear me this day might become such as I am, except these bonds." News-bearers like these are always needed. They are especially needed here and now in the churches of our honored Commonwealth.

1. *The people are ignorant of the Gospel.*

Of course there is a sense in which men cannot know the gospel until they have made it a part of their experience. But here, where the gospel has been preached for generations, there are thousands do not know, even by hearsay, what the good news is. You reply, "impossible." Wait. Investigate. In your own parish you will find the proof that no overstatement has been made. Ask the boys and girls of your Sunday school. Ask some man who never enters the church. Seek out some publican or sinner and inquire, "Do you know the good news Jesus brought? What is it?"

One will reply, "I know I ought to be good." Another will say, "I suppose I ought to attend church." A third answers, "I intend to reform." You will receive many replies, but in general they will be stained with the idea that one must do some special deed, or series of deeds, in order that he may have eternal life. How few will say, "The good news is, God loves me, and has given his only-begotten Son for me, that I might have eternal life; that I may have pardon, and all that pardon involves; that I may have salvation, including righteousness, peace, joy, and every good thing needed in this world and in the world to come; and that I may have this freely, without a groan or a sigh or a tear, and have it now, for the taking."

Ignorance of the gospel is not only wide-spread and dense, but also likely to remain so, unless those who have tested the good news and found it true are continually proclaiming it, for there is always a mighty pull in the opposite direction. The will of man desires to earn, to merit, to achieve, eternal life. This feeling appears in all the utterances of legalistic minds. It clouds even our Christian literature. For example the ablest book written in recent years by any member of our State Conference contains these passages: "Until one shall agonize in the conflict with passion, and through heroic suffering put on the form of righteousness, there can be no improvement. . . . The law of entrance to the kingdom is the law of struggle, and it is a final necessity for every man. . . . There is but one salvation and that is righteousness. No man can get it in any world without an agony and a

bloody sweat." Such sayings are familiar. They seem scientific and imposing. Are they true? Has suffering any power whatever to produce righteousness? Is the law of entrance to the kingdom struggle or surrender? As a matter of fact can a man add one cubit to his stature or one iota of righteousness to his spiritual dimensions, though he agonize to all eternity?

Are such sayings "good news"? Test them in practice and you will soon find out. There is a sinner in your parish who has been beaten a thousand times in his struggle with passion and appetite. He is bruised, broken, bleeding, defeated, despairing. Will it be "good news" to him that he must "struggle," or dare we tell him such "good news" as this: "Just as you are, and where you are, One strong and mighty bends over you. Stop struggling and striving. Let Him place you on His shoulders and carry you to the fold." You desire to tell a little child the "good news." Will you gently as possible say, "Would you like to become a Christian? to be one of the lambs in the Saviour's fold? Well, you can be, Jesus wants you. But, you must struggle and agonize, for struggle is the law of entrance to the kingdom."

You say, "This is ridiculous." Of course it is. Anything for the human soul, except the gospel, is in the last resort ridiculous, as well as false. But, the good news of God's love to sinful men, love abundant, complete, satisfying, entirely efficient, and absolutely free to every man, is never ridiculous. Men may vary — do vary — in their way of approaching, rejecting, receiving, the gospel; but the Evangel is essentially one. Its essence is the love of God poured out freely and effectually for every soul who will receive it; and it can be proclaimed to helpless sinners, timid saints, afflicted believers, and little children.

Even unregenerate men know the difference between the offer of a gift and offer of a bargain. — between a Friend who proposes to accomplish the entire work of salvation and one who is willing to piece out their own work, provided they struggle hard enough and long enough. The people — your flock and mine — are given into our care that we may tell them and teach them, amid many confusing voices, which of these is the true Gospel of the Son of God.

2. *The good news we are sent to publish is what the people need*

The gospel is inclusive. It satisfies every real need of the human soul and is fitted for every emergency of life.

Education is doubtless needed, and a pastor should be "apt to teach." But the question arises, What is the chief thing to be taught? Besides, the education of unsaved men in anything but the gospel is a perilous proceeding. Educating a man dead in trespasses and sins is like trellising a dead vine or fertilizing a thistle. It can be done, but what is the value when it is done? An educated rascal is still a rascal, — and a more dangerous one. Education is secondary. Unless we mean by education, training in the gospel, it must always be secondary. The missionaries at the New York conference held the opinion that neither the college nor the hospital is justifiable, save as a gospel institution.

The gospel is needed by every man in every crisis, and it is in meeting these ever-varied needs that the pastor escapes narrowness. The so-called Evangelist, who for a few weeks proclaims to guilty sinners the good news of pardon, and then moves on, must guard himself against narrowness. But the pastor-evangelist is in no such peril; for if he carries the good news to saints as well as sinners, if he discovers the deepest needs of *all* his people, and brings to those needs the satisfactions of the gospel, this very work will make him broad as the sunshine.

We mistake if we suppose the good news is only for the lost. It is for those who have been found. Jesus, the Christ, has glad tidings for the little child, new-born into his kingdom, and for the aged saint; glad tidings for the struggling rich and the discouraged poor; for anxious mothers and harassed fathers; for the sick and the sad; for the spiritually weak and sore beset; glad tidings for wise, strong, earnest, brave, manly men; glad tidings for the Christian fallen by the way, for timid, fearful believers, and for every doubting soul. Tennyson says of his noble friend, "He fought his doubts and gathered strength." But Jesus has far better news for the doubter than that he must keep up some old fight or begin a new one. Indeed, for every emergency in every life Jesus offers glad tidings of great joy. And the pastor will meet all these needs in even this exacting and exulting and hungry age if he comes fresh from the Word of God and what is far better yes I dare say it straight from the heart of Christ.

> "Subtlest thought shall fail and learning falter,
> Churches change, forms perish, systems go;
> But our human needs, they will not alter,
> Christ no after age shall e'er outgrow."

The wide publication of this good news, unmixed with human devices, unhindered by our fears, unfettered by a single man-made condition, disfigured by no subtraction, weighted by no addition, would result, as it always has, in a great wave of joy baptizing all our communities.

To proclaim such a gospel requires the highest type of pastor. But, fortunately, publishing the good news tends to produce people competent to publish it. If we take up this Divine work with new earnestness the result will be quite as wonderful in ourselves as in anyone else.

We shall discover and revitalize the great certainties we know. We shall stop the impossible task of telling how much we don't know. We shall let go some machinery in favor of more life. All knowledge, skill, influence, power, will become not an end but a means; an avenue along which we shall speed more swiftly and surely to the hearts of men. Our very language will take its force and color from our exalted message, and our faces will shine with the love we proclaim.

Such a pastor-evangelist will find, as our honored moderator once said in one of the best of his far-visioned sayings, "his place as inalienable as that of the gospel; his liberty as wide as the truth; and his consecration as holy as that of his Lord; no force can displace him from his throne of power and no man can take his crown."

HOW SHOULD THE IDEA OF GOD BE STATED ACCORDING TO PRESENT LIGHT?[1]

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The subject, as stated by the Committee on the program, assumes that we have an idea of God. The whole problem of agnosticism can therefore be set aside as not pertaining to the present discussion. It is also assumed, by the terms of the question, that light, or information respecting the being of God, varies at different periods; that our idea must vary correspondingly, and that as the idea varies the statement of it should vary.

It is doubtless the height of audacity for any individual to attempt to state what should be the idea of God, in view of all the revelations of the universe and of history. But it is an audacity to which the universe and history impel, and which the necessities of the human mind require of every reflecting person. Every one does and must form an idea of God, according to the light he has received and the penetrative insight which his reason has attained. At one time or another every one more or less fully states his idea. Under the assigned limitations of time the present statement can be only in barest outline of that which is most essential, and in dogmatic form, without discussion or argument. I begin with a definition, and shall then make briefest statement of matters involved in the terms of the definition.

God is the Spirit, triune, personal, and holy, who in love created, sustains, and governs the universe, that as Father of spirits he may consummate all in a continually developing kingdom of eternal life, love, and glory.

We know him from his revelations; his primary, objective revelation is the universe. It was created: that is, it had a beginning. This is affirmed by the Scriptures and by all the sciences concerned; the only uncertainty has respect to the time of beginning. Astronomy would say twenty or thirty millions of years ago; geology would say one hundred or two hundred millions. Philosophy has sometimes spoken of an eternal creation and an eternal matter. In the opinion of the present writer, eternal creation is a statement contradictory in its terms; while the reason alleged, that the infinite being cannot be supposed to have been inactive before creation and could not have any object of activity other than creation, is an irrational notion based on a misconception of the facts. Matter is eternal as a potency of the divine fulness: as an objective reality it cannot be eternal so far as the universe that we know is concerned. For through and through, the matter of our universe is a

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finite somewhat. That there have been an infinite series of finite universes, one after another, as a needed condition of divine activity is another irrationality in thought occasioned by misconception of fact. Creation out of nothing, the old statement ran. What was meant was out of nothing objectively pre-existing; out of no independent and eternal matter. Out of the contents of his own eternal fulness God *put forth* somewhat, in a form objective to himself. That was the primal matter, endowed with the capacity of a long continuing and perpetually diversifying evolution, the results of which constitute the universe. Creation implies omnipotence, the absolute transcendence of the Creator, and his infinitude — an existence independent of our space and time. The universe we know to be one; constituted from one essential matter, organized as one system material and spiritual, everywhere vitalized and fashioned by the same indwelling energies and forces, obedient to one and the same ordination of laws of matter and mind. That implies monotheism, an ultimate monism; if transcendent and personal, of course not pantheistic monism. Meanwhile there is also a certain dualism of matter and spirit, not to be denied or ignored. Matter is inferior and dependent, spirit is primal and controlling. Matter is the organ and instrument of spirit; so far as we know the two are never wholly separate, but the original and essential relation of the two, especially in the being of God, we know not clearly as yet. We know only that spirit is ultimate, that monism is primary and dualism secondary yet most significant.

From his own eternal fulness God put forth somewhat: that was creation. He continually *holds it forth*, in form objective to himself though dependent; that is the sustaining or preservation of the universe. It implies immanence: universal, perpetual. Because matter is not foreign to God, he may be immanent in it, and it may be a form of his self-manifestation. Immanence, however, is not so much the indwelling of God in the universe — which was perhaps the predominant form of the conception when the word "omnipresence" was more commonly used — but it is rather the indwelling of the universe in God. Through immanence we have not only preservation, but government also. Government varies in mode according to the nature of that which is governed. In its larger processes and results, the material universe is governed by the indwelling energies and forces. They work uniformly according to a constitutional necessity, which is the law of the forces. That does not mean a mechanical monotony of process and result, however. On the contrary there is the utmost elasticity of force, and a gradation of forces with perpetual interaction, in which the higher always controls the outcome, without any suppression of the lower. Meanwhile, in all lesser processes and results, without any change in the general order and harmony of the cosmos, without any modification of the larger world-processes, the forces more immediately related to spiritual life and history are all subject to varied spiritual use; with a corresponding change of local result, especially as regards spiritual life and history. This is the sphere of man's use, as he will, of all natural forces; always according to the laws of the forces.

And this also is the sphere of natural process within which there is a continual and continually varied Divine use of natural forces, according to the needs of man and history: the sphere within which Nature's forces may be used in answering prayer, and, if need be, in miracle. Finite Spirit is more important than matter in the universe: spirit has its own free use or abuse of nature's forces. Therefore, for the ends of creaturely worth and welfare, a continual and continually varied Divine use of nature is needed. God's use is, of course, far wider and subtler than man's. Man uses nature mechanically, from without: God uses it from within, as by a spontaneity of Nature herself.

Aside from his use of natural forces, material and spiritual, God governs man and controls the ultimate outcome of history by the unmodified working of the forces, by the laws of character and its outcome in welfare or in penalty, by the interactions of life in all ages, by the influence of institutions established among men, the influence of environment, of truths that have been seen and proclaimed, by the influence of needs, yearnings, ideals, and aspirations, by his own inworking and inspiring Spirit, and, not least, by his continual participation in the activities of history, adjusting time, place, and event, taking the wise in their own craftiness, and making all things work together for the upbuilding of his kingdom. Human activity, which is incessant, multiform, and free, sometimes hastens the coming of the kingdom, sometimes hinders; but in one way or another, sooner or later, historic outcome is a progress towards the goal, the kingdom of eternal life, love, and glory. That the goal of history is such a kingdom the New Testament everywhere declares. The constitution of man, his social, moral, and spiritual capacities, and their normal manifestations, the nature and universality of religion, the origin, nature, and history of Christianity, and, in the largest view, the trend of general history, are all in harmony with these teachings of the New Testament. Only spiritual beings can constitute such a kingdom. According to the Scriptures they are of many types and orders, at present existing in various realms and relations of universe-life, and in various stages of development. These teachings, also, are in harmony with the teachings and suggestions of science, both physical and spiritual.

Of all spiritual beings God is father as well as creator. Created that there might be a kingdom of eternal life, the universe means love; and all government of it, truly understood, has the same meaning, most clearly and impressively. It has been well said that fatherhood has its principle in the love which prompted creation. As creator, God is source of life. When life is given in his own likeness, of his own type, in some sort upon his own plane, with capacity to discern his motives and aims, sympathetically to co-operate in his activities, to have conscious fellowship with him, and share in his perfectness and glory, there is fatherhood. Of course, after creation, there must be father-love and care, for worth even more than for welfare. The Scriptures everywhere affirm the reality of such love and care, for the individual as well as for the race. Correctly interpreted, human history and experience affirm it no less. God is

expressly called Father of spirits in the New Testament,[1] in a connection which shows that the widest meaning was intended. The question is raised whether the name can be used in relation to beings who are sinful. In the passage referred to it is used with special application to the sinful who are chastened for purification. The parable of the prodigal son is instructive; and the words in the sermon on the mount, "That ye may be sons of your Father, who maketh his sun to rise on the evil and the good." The New Testament does not apply the name "son" to all to whom God stands in the relation of Father. In constitutional relation and in spirit God is universal Father: not all men are "worthy to be called" his sons. In spirit and life some are children of the devil; many are prodigals. That they may become sons in filial quality, a new spiritual birth and an adoption are needful. But with utmost care and tenderness the Father has provided for the new birth and the adoption. Unquestionably, toward the wilfully sinful, God has temper of holy wrath as well as of long suffering grace. Such wrath is essential to righteous fatherhood, and is only another form of holy love. Compassion co-exists with it: the sin that calls it out is occasion of love's uttermost pain, of which we have illustration in Gethsemane and on Calvary. But unquestionably there is an ultimate moral order of the world. In a universe of law, wilful and persistent law-breakers — if there shall be such — must reap what they sow. Neither Nature nor love's redemption provides escape from results in such a case. In accordance with the teaching of his Master, Paul wrote, "The wages of sin is death." The nature of that death is not fully explained in the New Testament.

In considering the creation we have continually found the manifestations of a spiritual and personal creator. We find an omnipotent energy everywhere working in reasonableness, for rational thought is everywhere evident; and the energy works towards a series of related results which are evidently foreseen and intended. That is the clear testimony of evolution. Such work involves self-consciousness, and the divine self-consciousness involves omniscience. Self-conscious reason freely energizing in view of ends is spirit, and is personality. Rational love is expression of personality. Man is personal spirit: his creator must be personal or something more. Personality implies finiteness, it has been said. In order to self-consciousness there must be the defining of self in contrast with some reality other than self. That is true of human personality, a finite and imperfect type. It has never been shown to be a necessity of the primitive, absolute, divine personality. We have reason for saying that the personality of God is trinal, and a tripersonality does not need to define itself by contrast with some reality already existing beyond the self. From the revelations of the incarnation looking back upon creation, preservation, and government, we find that they are best explained, and only fully explained, through the Trinity. In like manner, in the revelations of Old Testament time there were obscurities and dimly manifested conditions, which are set in clear light only after the incarna-

[1] Heb. 12: 9.

tion. The Trinity was distinctly revealed only in connection with the incarnation; and apart from that, perhaps, could not be clearly revealed. But, we have learned that although, under existing circumstances, the first service of the incarnation was the service of redemption, that service was *not* its chief reason, not its only or original purpose. The divine man is the needed head over all things; in him all consist, he is the indispensable medium of complete creaturely participation in the fulness of God; and, but for sin the incarnation might have come much earlier in history. The life of the Christ, his ascension and the outpouring of the Spirit completed the revelation of a Trinity of manifestation, the so-called economic Trinity, which the discerning and devout Unitarian has often heartily acknowledged. Is it mere manifestation or is it ontological as well? The New Testament and the profounder Christian thought unite in affirming that the manifestations reveal internal and permanent distinctions. All life is manifold. The higher the being the greater the inner diversity of capacities, offices, and operations; and, at the same time, the more intense and vital the comprehending unity. In the infinite manifoldness of the divine life three chief internal distinctions have been revealed. First, the transcendent life purely as such, dwelling in light inapproachable, whom no man hath seen nor can see. Secondly, the eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested; the word which went forth, the archetype of the universe, and the executive energy of creation, providence, and redemption. Thirdly, the inworking and informing energy by which interior processes are carried on and completed, the agent of inner manifestation and impartation, and thus of regeneration, sanctification, and inspiration. The perfect personality is found in God alone. The defining distinctions of consciousness are given in the inner distinctions of the divine life, which may be objectively manifested.

Creation was not the beginning of divine activity in self-impartation. "Thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world," said our Lord, in his intercessory prayer. Love is social and self-imparting. It has its object; the divine love could have adequate object only in the inner relations of the absolute life. Therefore in interior life there was an all-including activity, an all-comprehending impartation, before creation, greater than any activity in creation or in the universe since creation. Yet, in type and principle, the activity in creation and in the universe has been in the likeness of the intra-divine self-impartations before creation, even if it has not been a modified form of those. For the Son, so called, is archetype and agent in creation, and the Spirit is informing energy of development and perfecting. Through the Son and the Spirit, Divine impartations are continual in the universe; and through the activity of both in men there is continual responsive outgo in communion with the Father.

If man is in the likeness of God, we can understand why the human self-consciousness is trinal; and why, in its grand faculties, the human spirit is trinal also. If the universe was to be a finite manifestation of God, who is love, we can understand why, in the manifoldness of universe-

life, love is bond of spiritual union, and all the normal social activities of life are modes of fellowship in love.

The primal and everywhere manifested moral characteristics of divine life we reach last. God is holy; and holiness is spiritual perfectness. It is wholeness, completeness of spiritual being, with all attributes, capacities, and faculties which pertain to such a being, in true symmetry and in entire harmony of action. Secondly, it is moral perfectness; which is to be thought of as the immanent, all-including energy of self-determination in and for the good, a permanent condition and expression of character. Thus God is the supreme being; primarily in the sense that he is ideal being in its absolute reality, the self-existent source of all excellence; and, therefore, secondarily, in the sense that he has original and absolute authority, with rightful sovereignty. Some of our ideals are intuitive visions of reason; some are half-formed ideas of a perfectness as yet only vaguely apprehended. God is the living unity and full reality of them all. What we properly call ideals are glimpses of him in his spiritual revelations. They thrill us because they are revelations of perfectness, and because they waken a sense of affinity. The aspirations they generate, the adoration and worship to which they move us, are the outreachings of nature towards one who is our true goal because we were made in his likeness to receive of his fulness. Thus God is the living truth in its source and its completeness; the living reality of whom the universe is manifestation. The eternity, unchangeableness, and sacredness which we recognize in highest truth are qualities of him who is the truth. He is the full-orbed reality and the standard of ethical perfectness. Absolute righteousness has its home in him, and all rights have their source in him. Their uplifting sanctity is one phase of his. In his completeness is the reality of ideal beauty, source of all beauty in nature, and the inspiration of beauty in man. The charm which beauty has for us is one form of the charm of his perfectness. His goodness is the union of his holiness and his love. One is good, that is God.

This God is our God for ever and ever; our Father in heaven, who has called us to walk in light as his children, and to aspire to his glory.

MEN AND WOMEN IN RELIGION.[1]

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In the following paper I shall endeavor to show: —

(1) That the expression of the religious life in each individual must be related to his age, sex, special capacities, nationality, etc.; and hence, that, in order to understand or propagate the religious life among any group, it is of fundamental necessity that the characteristics of that group in its then stage be well understood.

(2) I shall discuss the leading characteristics of men, particularly of young men, and shall endeavor to show that the chief demands of the church to-day are for qualities that are predominantly feminine.

(3) I shall make a few suggestions relative to the development of the religious life among men.

(1) The religious life must develop and include the fruition of all the best capacity of each individual. Thus the manifestation of the religious life must be related to the capacity and quality of each. Let me illustrate this in very simple ways: A person has some mortal disease. No one would think of sending him as a missionary. The conditions forbid. It is not a question as to whether he is sufficiently devoted or not, it is in this case a test of physical capacity. The ways in which he must show his religious life must be related to his physical capacity. What might well be expected of a thoroughly well person will differ somewhat from what can be expected of this person. Another person has shown during his school life an almost total inability to learn foreign language. Such a person would best serve in some capacity in which the learning of a foreign language is not involved. On the other hand, a person showing marked ability as a teacher will naturally express his religious life in teaching. It is, however, not only with respect to the utilization of individual gifts that the expression of the religious life varies, but also in stages of life. One does not expect from the child of four the same kind of religious expression that should come from the experienced saint of fifty.

In thinking of the writers of the Bible, one is struck at once with widely divergent types of character presented by the several writers — David and Jeremiah, Solomon and Matthew, John and Paul. The truth is, possibly, that God selected these men in order to express through their dominant characteristics the great varied truths he had to give to the world. No one man was comprehensive enough that God could express through him the whole range of his Biblical message.

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God expresses himself not only through individual peculiarities, but also through racial peculiarities. He has given the Anglo-Saxon a peculiar mission in the extension of his kingdom. It is a mission involving energy, resolution, aggressiveness, the ability for strenuous endeavor, for active rather than passive heroism. God progressively expresses himself through the individual, as well as through the race. The religious life of a child is not and should not be the same as the religious life of an adult. The religious life itself is progressive. Its direction remains ever the same, but its prevailing characteristics must change from year to year to correspond with the changing characteristics of the individual, and when a child endeavors to express his religious life in terms that are full of significance only to one who has had long years of experience, we suspect him to be merely imitating. When a young man full of vigor and energy expresses his religious life in terms that would be suitable for his grandmother, — in words of peace and resignation, of rest and looking forward to heaven, — we instinctively revolt, and say that there is something false there. It is not that there are different religions for the two sexes and for different ages, but that God expresses himself through the dominant characteristics of each race, age, and sex; and to attempt to cramp the religious life, and make it alike in all races, ages, and in men and women and children, is to commit a fundamental and irreparable mistake. I suspect that this is one difficulty with some of the great religious organizations of the day. Some are trying to get one race to express the divine life in terms that were developed and formulated by another race. Some are trying to hold this age to expressions of divine truth that were the expressions of a previous age. Are not most of us trying to get men to express their religious life in terms most suitable to women?

In the light of the principle that has just been discussed, it is important that those who have to do with the guidance of the religious life of men and women, should have clearly in mind the best characteristics of manhood and womanhood. The direction that the religious life should take must be related to the best and strongest characteristics of the individual in his then stage.

(2) Let us now turn to a brief discussion of some of the essential characteristics of manhood in general and young manhood in particular, for if our former thesis be correct, the religious life of young men must be definitely related to the best development of the best characteristics of young men. Young men are energetic. "Young men for war, old men for counsel." The games that excite the most passionate enthusiasm among young men are games that demand the most intense activity — boxing, wrestling, fencing, foot-ball, base-ball, basket-ball, lawn tennis, foot-racing, fighting. These same characteristics appear in the young man's mental life. It is more energetic and intense than subtle. The life of young men is largely objective. It is far more true to their natures to get out and do something than it is to study their feelings, to make subjective analyses. To achieve some tangible thing, to get money, to get power, to get scholastic reputation — these are objective ends of great

attractiveness to young men — to do more than to feel, to accomplish some definite end external to one's self, to do good to others rather than to be good. The young man who helps another person commands honor. The young man who consciously strives to be good excites a kind of more or less conscious contempt. The man who learns to control a fiery temper or a passionate nature so that he may win in running or boxing, in politics or business or professional life, is honored. Self-control to win seems to them superb. Self-control for the sake of being good rarely seems to them so.

Young men go in cliques, groups, gangs, societies, teams, classes, fraternities, brotherhoods, associations. The social self is predominant; it shows itself in "consciousness of kind," in the union of those of like interests, habits, tastes, occupations, localities, ages, beliefs. Young men hang together and often stand by each other in a superb way under the most trying of circumstances. This loyalty to each other is one of the great roots of altruism. It may degenerate into hanging together in bad ways and for bad purposes. Under these circumstances we find one of the most perilous forces of modern civilization at work — the gang in politics. The young man's wildest as well as his deepest feelings are aroused by acts and situations that call for the service of others, as is demanded by the "gang instinct," as I like to call this feeling. The heroes of the young man's novels and of favorite plays are those who rescue others, fight for the oppressed, relieve, save the drowning. The heroes of college days are those who win some honor for the college. Again it is the admiration, I might almost say in hero worship, that these qualities show themselves — the football hero, the Nansen, or Hobson, or Dewey, or Washington, the man who dares, "he who never turns his back, but marches breast forward." The love of adventure so common to young manhood is one phase of this. A man tends to become like his heroes, whatever they are. It is the time for heroism. These are some at least of the best natural characteristics of young manhood.

While these are the essential characteristics of young men considered by themselves, it is possible to put them in contrast with the corresponding characteristics of women. This is usually unwise; its only justification lies in the importance of the topic now being discussed. The subject in general has been discussed with great ability by Havelock Ellis in his book, "Man and Woman." I have made no original investigation of the groups of facts discussed in his book, and hence must refer the book to those who wish a general view on the topic. My own investigations have related to the differences that show themselves in the development of altruism in man and woman. The following facts are given as but a few of those that might be quoted on this topic: —

1. While the total population of male prisoners in the United States in 1890 was 75,924, the total number of female prisoners was 6,405. This must be coupled with the fact that in our churches women outnumber men in the proportion of two or three to one.

2. Women are far more loyal to home and to children than are men.

Men do not love to take care of babies as women do. They do not sacrifice for children as easily as do women. A man's feelings about holding a little baby are different from a woman's feelings.

3. It is commonly said that there are two social and moral standards in the community; one for men and one for women. This is measurably true, but perhaps has a different aspect from what it is currently supposed to have. What society will not forgive in the woman is unchastity; what society will not forgive in a man is cowardice and treachery to his own group. I venture to suggest that in terms of origin these virtues are somewhat analogous, and that even savage society demands no less of the man than of the woman, but in a somewhat different direction. Man must be true to the social organism somewhat as woman must be true to her husband and family. Both instincts may have arisen by selection.

4. It seems to me that men are far more loyal to each other in conversation than are women, that there is less pleasure in telling things that are detrimental to a third party among men than among women. It is a common feeling when a man tells what is derogatory to a third party that he should say it "before his face"; that he is a coward if he does not do so. I have not found this feeling in women.

5. Men play games during and after adolescence, involving co-operation and self-sacrifice; in other words, team-work. It does not appear that such games are ever spontaneously taken up by women. I have trained two basket-ball teams of women, and have known of the training of many others. It is difficult to get women to play a team game, a game in which individual brilliancy is sacrificed to the efficiency of the team. The tendency is to say that this is due to the players being selfish and unwilling to appear in a less conspicuous position than they might. I do not think this is true, for playing must be done faster than one can think. The actions must become reflex. The great interests of young men in sport centre about plays of this team character, thus differ markedly from the chief delight of girls during this period, which is perhaps social and romantic.

6. In school life it seems that boys are more loyal to each other than are girls. Boys who get into a scrape, and even other boys who know about the scrape, will stand punishment and expulsion from the school for not telling. Sometimes such cases occur among girls, but it is the general testimony among the teachers to whom I have talked about this that boys are far more loyal to each other than are girls.

What explanation can be given of these facts? The following is an attempt to correlate phylogenetic facts with those of an ontogenetic nature. It is believed that they offer at least partial solution to the problem. The most basal instincts in the male are those that led him to hunt and fight, for upon the possession of capacity in these directions his life depended in the earliest ages. With the progress of civilization, man's chief activities have changed. He is not now dependent for his living primarily upon hunting or fighting. He fights in a metaphorical sense, but is not dominated by the necessity for physical combat as in former

days. He has taken to agriculture and to the manufactures. These involve civilized life. The old instincts of hunting and fighting, however, remain strong so that we find continually cropping out in him manifestations of his ancestry. Men constantly are committing crimes against society through yielding to these impulses to fight and steal and kill, to which we have referred.

Civilization has compelled man's activities to change directions; it has not compelled woman's activities to do so. This is one reason at least why men are so much more prone to break over and revert to earlier tendencies. Perhaps a deeper reason than either of these for man's leadership in crime is, that man is predominantly katabolic or energy-expending, while woman is predominantly anabolic, or energy-preserving. The male is more difficult to tame in all of the higher mammals than the female. The bull, rooster, tomcat, stallion, ram, buck, are all far more intractable than are their respective females. Civilization is in certain respects a process of taming or feminization. The male finds it more irksome to undergo this process than does the female, and more frequently breaks over.

There is another aspect to the fighting instinct. In order that men may fight well, it is necessary that he combine. Three or four man who become banded together in an offensive and defensive alliance of even moderate strength will speedily get the best of individuals far excelling them, but who lack this power of co-operation. To have the capacity of loyalty to one's fellows, then, becomes a virtue, the possession of which makes that group superior in the struggle for existence.

The social order makes those actions most deeply criminal that are the most vitally against the life of society, so that the supreme virtues in man from this standpoint are capacity for hunting and co-operative fighting, involving courage, loyalty to one's fellows, and to social unit.

When we study woman's early activities to ascertain the virtues that were the most useful and related to survival, we find love of children and home. Sutherland has elaborated these facts with great care and fulness. The woman who was efficient in the elementary manufacture and agriculture of the period had also an advantage over the one who was not. No claim of present notions of chastity among savages is made, but it is still true that women true to their husbands were better fitted to rear good families than those not so. Tradition and public opinion could and did frown upon unfaithfulness in women long before it did so in man. The woman, being measurably the man's property, had no right to heterogeneous alliances, for this was the violation of the man's property right. Thus arose love of children, loyalty to husband, and capacity in agriculture and manufacture, as feminine virtues. The qualities related to these capacities are love, patience, persistence, docility, etc.

This genetic philosophy, we believe, explains all the facts that have been so far mentioned. Young men's playing team games is related to their ancestry. The superior loyalty of boys to each other in school is another piece of the same argument. The superior interests of women in

home, children, and in directions that take patience, morality, and the like, are indicated by their ancestry.

In this section of the paper I so far endeavored to show that the essential characteristics of young men were their energy, the fact of their liking to work in objective lines, doing things rather than feeling, that they are very strong in the gang instinct, and that they are instinctive hero worshippers.

Let us now note the extent to which the religious thought and life of the last twenty-five years gives emphasis to these qualities of Anglo-Saxon young men. The religious life has not been regarded as a progression so much as it has a state. The religious life has not been differentiated between childhood and adult life, adult life and old age, manhood and womanhood. We have demanded of childhood the thought and religious expression of adult life. We have expected young men to have the same religious life as old women. Individuals have instinctively recognized growth in these matters, and wise parents and pastors have carried out notions that were not formulated, but the theological formulation of religious truth has made no place for religious epochs and growth with the kind under discussion, with the exception of conversion.

The religious thought and life has not been predominantly either energetic or objective. I do not say that these elements have not been present; they have, but have not been predominant. Nor do I wish to give the impression that the religious life of young men must be exclusively energetic and objective. We should lose fundamental elements were this true. But dominant characteristics must be katabolic and objective.

What have been the special virtues and thoughts of the last twenty-five years of religious history? In our prayer-meetings, churches and religious writings we hear chiefly of rest, joy, peace, temptations, prayer, trials, resignation, trust, sense of sin, atonement, love of God, hope of Heaven, desire for fortitude to bear up under the trials of life — all involving first introspection and analysis of feelings. This list is not intended to be complete nor particularly modern; it aims at the characterization of the period. As a result, the church and Christians have not stood, and the church does not stand to-day, for objective righteousness. As an organization, it is not the power in the community that can be relied on to carry on all good enterprises, although individual members may and do. The Christian life has not been commonly regarded as involving loyalty to one's city — her streets, her poor, her politics, her sick. Yet we may come to put these things first as characteristic of the religious life of men.

We often hear that but seven per cent of young men are in the churches. I do not know that this is true, but there is no questioning the fact that the bulk of the pride and flower of America's young men stand outside of and not inside of the church, while the great bulk of our church members and Christian workers are women. Do we need to go far to seek the reason for this situation? The church has not put emphasis

upon those qualities that represent the best and noblest side of young men. The qualities demanded by her are chiefly anabolic and subjective. These are feminine, not masculine, characteristics. So our churches are feminine, not masculine, in composition.

No real man will sacrifice his own victory, nor feel so elated and proud when successful, as he will feel for his college. The best is not self but group. The highest activities for the self are lower than those for the group. Group loyalty is the basis, the first dawn, of love to city, country, humanity, and may I say of God also? We must appeal for high activities if we want high qualities. Capacity for devotion, heroism, self-sacrifice, nobility, is not dead. It needs the adequate objective demand. The religious leaders who have been presented for the hero-worshipping instinct of the Saxon boy have been inferior, on the whole, in masculine respects to those presented who were not religious leaders. The kind of lives that appeal to young men has been found, for the reasons already given, among those whom we do not usually class as leaders in the church or in religion. George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, and a multitude of others, real heroes, leaders in upbuilding the kingdom of God, have not been leaders in the Christian church. The movements that led to religious liberty, the divorce between church and state, the abolition of slavery, were not chiefly led by the church or its leaders. Splendid names come to mind, such as David Livingstone, who fulfilled all the demands of a hero-loving boyhood, but the godly men of the community and of history have not, on the whole, been such as to appeal to our hero-worshipper. They did not exhibit his own virtues in high light. They were not predominantly objective and katabolic.

In this section I have endeavored to show that the chief emphasis of the church is upon qualities that are feminine, and that hence do not call for and thus do not secure to as great an extent as they should, strong, virile, energetic, objective men.

(3) The suggestions that I have to offer are of far less significance than are the facts that have already been presented. They are as follows: —

The church must show the need of the world for men's lives in heroic, noble lines of objective achievement, not in building up the church, but in building up human life. The church cannot save itself by centering attention upon itself. Does the church need men? I do not mean would it be pleasant to have men in the pews and in the prayer-meetings, but for the extension of the kingdom of God is it necessary that there be many strong men actively engaged in church work? If so, what definite things shall these men do? It is not enough to call for service; definite service must be asked. Men will not volunteer in the abstract; they will respond to definite requests for service of a character suited to their ability.

Then, again, the work must be worthy of the talent it demands. Strong men cannot be expected nor will they do insignificant work, when the world about them is full of significant work upon which they already have their hands. If the church is the field of the pastor, to

be worked on by him, then it does not appear that there is any great place for strong men in the church as laymen. If the church is the working force for the extension of the Kingdom of God in the world, in definite, tangible directions, then the church can command the strongest men for service. Selfish interest, even of a legitimate and high kind, such as one's own spiritual growth, is not a high enough argument to put before men to secure their constant and loyal service. It does not correspond to the noblest qualities of manhood. The church must show the need of men for service of others.

In preaching, the objective righteousness of Christ's character must be made plain, — his noble heroism in facing the evils of his day, in denouncing publicly that which had the support, not only of the church, but of public opinion. The notion that we get of Christ's character is altogether too feminine — not that I would have him presented as less patient, but that coupled with these qualities I would have the equally superb qualities emphasized of power, of vigor, of heroism, of objective endeavor, and the like. This feminine ideal of the character of Christ has dominated all the art conceptions of his nature.

The church mid-week meetings must be related, partly at least, to accomplishing work. They must be partly council meetings with reference to doing work in the community, reporting upon work done, planning for larger work. They must be engaged directly in the extension of the kingdom of God, and not primarily upon a study of feelings, hopes, desire, aspirations, and the like, if they are to grip and control the lives of men. The kingdom of God is the kingdom of service, and each of us must serve in our own line. The religious life of men must show itself large in strong, heroic, noble, objective action. The religion of manhood is the religion of action.

The capacity for heroism is not dead in the hearts of the American young men. Commercialism, the engrossing interests of professional and business life, seem to be throttling the spiritual life out of great numbers of young men, but slumbering beneath it lie these great qualities of heroism and devotion. They need the call that shall awaken them. There must be shown the need, there must be shown the opportunity, there must be shown the personal responsibility, there must be shown the personal authority, there must be shown the love that is back of all duty, and they will respond with power, with heroism, with persistence equal to the need.

THE CATECHETICAL INSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH.[1]

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1. "The Practical Catechetical Instruction of Children and Youth in the Twentieth Century and in *Congregational Churches*" is a sub-title which would more accurately describe the scope of this paper and the subject assigned to me. This will relieve us from discussing the history of former attempts at such instruction, and from all consideration of the experiences and experiments of our predecessors and our contemporaries, any further than such survey may throw light on our present inquiry.

2. The call and opportunity for catechetical instruction of our young comes to us at a favorable stage in the progress of the church. The majestic peaks and table-lands of Christian truth have been thrown up and shaped into well defined and established outlines. They rise singly or in ranges as the landmarks of man's moral pilgrimage through the earth. The rich intervales have, however, been left for later development. There are wide sweeps of lowlands awaiting the plough and the sickle to yield pasture and harvest. The Life of Christ, the gospel precepts, the Heavenly Father's care, are rich and comparatively unworked areas.

We find similar unclaimed alluvial bottoms in other departments of knowledge ready to be taken up in these days. They lie between the great Rockies and the Sierras of political, social, and economical truths, which have become permanently located on the maps of civilization. The sands and silt of the glacial and heroic ages have made a deposit as a base for fertile fields.

Our sires put the meeting houses on the hills, and made roads on the ridges instead of in the valleys by the water courses, so that the march of the church has been over a sky-line trail on the crest of theological Himalayas. Now we are comparatively free, after many conflicts and settled issues, to betake ourselves to pastoral life in the vales, to lead our flocks and nourish our lambs. Across the unclaimed marshes we run our furrows, and put in canals and causeways to make meadows and thoroughfares and borders for our children.

3. The value of catechetical instruction as a method is not a subject for discussion, because it is the plan by which all our best education is acquired. Christ learned by it in the Temple at Jerusalem when he was twelve years old. We use it in our Sunday schools whether we adopt quarterlies or question books. In academy and college classes this has been, and still remains, the most effective means of instilling and distilling knowledge. It is pre-eminently the educational method. So far as the lecture system is a success, it follows the line of question and answer.

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Medical and law students have their "quizzes." The Socratic method, whether in religion or philosophy, is an approved, historical, and natural one, therefore we have not the burden of proposing or defending a new system of instruction. Nor have we to contend for any enlargement of the range of subjects or the application to those not heretofore included under this scheme. We have an old method, and one commonly used in the whole range of religious teaching. It is not proposed to subject any fresh truths to this crucible, but to dig out the old wells which our fathers have dug.

One is surprised at the number of catechisms which have been published by Congregational ministers; this shows that there has been and there is a radically felt need for some such instruction. In the New England Primer, printed in 1691, a section has this heading: "Spiritual Milk for American Babes, Drawn out of the Breasts of Both Testaments, for their Souls' Nourishment, by John Cotton," and then follows a catechism for little ones, in many respects admirable. Dr. Channing put out an excellent work, and Unitarian ministers of the most liberal school in later days are disseminating their credicles in the same fashion.

4. Catechising, as we contend for it, is crystallization, the crystallizing of the church's teaching in certain ranges of religious truth for children; this is what is advocated. The hard maple tree has many uses; it furnishes wood if cut down; it is admirable timber; but when it is alive, it has a stately shape and affords grateful shade. You can also tap a living tree at the proper time and get a sweetened sap. Furnishing catechetical instruction is simply "sugaring off" for children. You cull out of the Scripture and classic creeds your living truths and boil them down and sugar off.

Instead of allowing our young in their early years to roam over the plains and "Bad Lands" of truth, we bring them up and brand them; have them corn-fed. We set before them a few elementary truths in each department of Christian learning; we give them bundles instead of spears of grass.

We do not need to, and we do not propose to supersede any of the other manifold forms of Christian culture. We specialize and italicize certain fundamental teachings. Personal conversation with the young is not made less necessary, but conversation is apt to be delta-mouthed, and run in a great many broad channels. A pastor will, however, find the catechism an occasion for personal conference with his flock, and it will furnish him increased opportunities as well as suggestions, and methods of reaching them. If his mind is working on definite lines of instruction this will stimulate his search for opening up intercourse. Our regular Sunday-school lessons ought not to be displaced or even slighted, but along the picturesque tour through sacred literature, we would have our children stop for meals at regular hours and have a *table d' hote* dinner. The catechism is the Bible in slices; you do not let children bite into the whole loaf; that is not the best way to use bread, but you cut it and crumb it.

5. The material for a catechism is, first, the Bible. This can be used in a variety of forms; there are the great facts of religion, — God and His moral government, man's relation to God, his accountability to God, his duties to his fellow men, the Life of Christ, and the example of Christ. One can go through Scripture and cut out a spinal column with supplementary and supporting ribs along many lines. The biographies of such heroes as Joseph, Moses, Daniel, and David, are unsurpassed for the study of youth. Proportionately to the material in our possession, the life of Christ is unequalled for child study. We must remember, in comparing the relative interests of the Old and New Testaments, that we have but thirty-three years of the Son of Man, while we have hundreds of years of the patriarchs, with vastly more of picturesque details and homely incident.

The difficulty with many of the older catechisms is that they are skeletons, and suggest controversies which have terminated fatally to somebody.

A Church History catechism for the young is our next serious *desideratum;* it can come down to the Reformation as a single stock, and then branch out with special attention to our Congregational graft. The Pilgrims and Cromwell ought not to be left out of the mental library of any member of a Congregational household. The migrations of our noble kinsmen of the Presbyterian, Lutheran, and Reformed orders ought not to be unfamiliar to us, nor later Wesleyan and missionary movements.

In the Scripture catechism it is important that the answers to questions be in the words of the *Bible;* one reason for this is the adaptation of the Scriptures to express spiritual ideas. In some measure the apostles cast a new language for religion. Another value in the Scripture verses is that they furnish an alphabet of the gospel for the young. Many of our children are untrained at home and have few symbols for spiritual conceptions; there is also gain in learning the Scripture passages on the great themes of divine truth.

6. The moulds and the machinery for this proposed instruction we have on hand. I should urge this forward catechetical movement with far less interest and hope, in fact, with none whatever, if it involved a new outfit of machinery. The Sunday school is a magnificent plant for moulding and matching this product for the kingdom of Christ. It is a great pottery with all the processes for shaping the clay, baking, firing, and decorating, able to turn out choicer wares than Sevres or Dresden. Instead of interfering with this system and equipment, we should strengthen it by supplementary studies. Let an occasional planet fall into the already blazing sun and freshen the flame rather than try to plaster up another luminary out of the embers and ashes. This addition can be introduced by having the whole school learn and repeat a single answer in concert each week, and review portions already learned. In the course of a year, you have, without disturbing the regular organization work, secured fifty-two Scripture verses which enforce as many great truths. This is one of the ways of enriching a school without reorganizing

or liturgizing it. Most of our institutions need mulching more than they do raking up stones from the bottom to the top of our garden patch. We cannot delay till we get the ideal in Sunday school instruction any more than we can wait till we get a Bible edited to suit every one. While we are discussing or complaining of the various forms of teaching now prevalent, we might better be trying to work one well, or introducing supplementary studies. We need to broaden our gauge more than to change the grade of Sunday school lessons. The great railroads sometimes change their gauge from narrow to broad in a night and never stop the through trains. Instead of tying up traffic till we get the right sort of equipment, let us keep going with what we have, and gradually introduce newer features, while we carry souls from the hearths of earth to the golden gate of heaven.

Others might prefer to have a part of the time every Sunday or on special days, such as Review Sunday, set apart for this instruction. The teacher would find relief and the scholars refreshment, and the whole school a new interest. Run these extra or regular lessons through the various grades of the school, and when the pupils are fifteen they will not have been simply roamers in the Holy Land, but will have mastered a guide book of the church and the City of God, worthy pilgrims of these later days.

Some pastors might prefer to extend this plan to the Junior Endeavor Society, or make this the chief starting and studying place. The present structure of the Society need not be disturbed, but the teacher or pastor can add some series of simple Scripture outlines which can be committed to memory, and will be carried from the cradle to the grave by way of Calvary. For every school session must be a station of the cross, and every lesson, a sign along the *via crucis*. Better than to make the Junior Endeavor Society the catechism class exclusively is to carry the lessons through both this and the various departments of the Sunday school.

We must use all the labor-saving machinery we can in these days, in the church as well as in the factory and in housekeeping. The pastor of a large church in the city, with the increased administrative duties, who undertakes to do this catechetical work in pastor's classes for a series of years, is going to give it up or fail.

The argument in favor of having the catechism taught by others than pastors is manifold. If other agencies take up this work, they can prepare the way for the pastor; then he can take special classes for brief periods to fit candidates for church membership, but even this suggestion is of doubtful value. The pastor needs his time for talks on personal religion with his young people; this is something that has of late been far more neglected in these parts than even catechetical instruction, and is much more difficult to accomplish successfully than to round up a scientific pedagogic system. The devoted minister will find his hands full in making suitable lessons for others to teach. The trouble with many of the manuals already put out is that no one can work them but the ones who made them. Pupils had better be machine taught

than to have the catechisms machine made, and here is where the pastor's chance to do his part comes in, in adapting the truth to the needs of his own flock. The pastor on Sunday has his doctrinal opportunity with his people. The Sunday school prepares the soil for the seed, and the watering of the spiritual life. Any system which puts all this teaching on a pastor will fail; life is too strenuous. I think a good many ministers would take up this work if they felt they could rightly commit it to others and have it carried on steadily without new machinery or additional burdens upon themselves. They would like to have the catechism idea carried out if it could have a permanent place in the church; putting it into present organizations without disturbing but only enriching them. I think we have shown this to be possible and therefore advisable. This would leave time for those old-fashioned study meetings and personal interviews with the young, which one would rejoice to see again frequent in every parish in New England.

If the Sunday-school teachers are fit to instruct the young at all, they can instil catechism lessons as well as the International Series or any other, and better, because they will more frequently go over familiar ground. We should find that many good but not well equipped teachers could carry through the catechism who were often in perplexity about the lesson series we usually have. It would be a real relief to many a faithful guide of souls if there could be this regular and simple set of studies.

7. Some secondary values, bye-products of a catechism, deserve to be noted. In places where there are foreigners, one finds that they have been accustomed to this method of teaching, and we meet them on a familiar footing. It gives them also an opportunity to learn what we believe and what we are teaching their children in the Sunday school. The permanent form of catechism as against the quarterly counts here, in the increased respect of parents and children, and also for its comprehensive summary.

CLOSING QUESTIONS.

1. *What is the relation of catechism study to conversion?*

The catechism does not bring life and must not be expected to; we do not look for it to supersede conversion or revival work. Much as I contend for Christian nurture, I have no hope for the catechism save as a preparatory agency. The mistake of the past was in attempting to make the understanding of a catechism the condition of church membership. This may be, as it has been in the past, a hindrance rather than a help to the work of Christ. It may indeed start a spring, and often does, but it is not life, and may be wood, hay, stubble.

2. *Is the catechism especially designed to prepare catechumens for church membership?*

From what has been said it will be seen that the catechism is not to be used as a special qualification for church membership; this requires something else. It does furnish in religion what corresponds to a college

course; it provides a man a liberal education, and provides a sort of "speed-way" for him to find out what he knows, believes, and is capable of.

3. *What place has modern criticism in the proposed catechetical revivals?*

Modern criticism has no place in the catechetical system of our day. The same reason which keeps controversial statements of truth out of catechisms, should also keep critical studies as such. Our Sunday schools are not junior theological seminaries. We want an introduction to Christ for our children more than an introduction to the New Testament. Comparatively few men are yet competent to handle these critical questions, and even the pulpit is seldom the place for their treatment at the hands of an expert, much less the Sunday school.

4. *What do we learn from psychology in regard to this subject?*

Modern psychology confirms what has been said: that the pastor's service is most efficient later in the life of the young, say at the age of sixteen, rather than before that time. The majority of boys confess Christ at sixteen, girls at fourteen; but the basis of Christian life is laid earlier, in the home and Sunday school. The pastor is a pilot, and his business is to take the ships through the narrows; a good many people can put in the cargo, but cannot hold the helm and steer in the maelstrom of a troubled soul.

5. *Does the public-school system give any suggestions as to the value of catechetical instruction?*

Only as we know there is more and more need of the catechism, in view of the sterile character of the ordinary school training, and the impersonality of the teachers. So many secular lessons are now taught by the lecture system that the question and answer method would seem to be a relief and a profit to the scholars.

6. *If we consider catechetical instruction in the light of later science and evolution, what do we discover?*

We get only one answer; the need of formative forces early, and also personal guidance of a friend when the functions of life are creating a cloudy chaos in the child's mind.

7. *What can we learn from other churches in regard to catechetical instruction?*

It is a mistake to appeal to other churches with great respect in these matters. Catechisms have been millstones about churches. They ought not to be based on creed expositions, such as Luther's, or historical symbols; we do not want these for the young; child food must be fresh.

The Episcopal Church is simply stranded, so far as spiritual progress goes, by attempting to teach its catechumens the Thirty-nine Articles. In the Sunday school work they are simply running coastwise craft.

The Presbyterian, Lutheran, and Reformed churches all fail in trying to split up great confessions into gospel crumbs for children. You will

make a mistake, brethren, if you try to force a churchly catechism on your congregations; we want Christliness, not churchliness. The Catholics are appealed to as those who have used catechisms, but, friends, this is largely churchy, a stone and a serpent, not fish or bread which we are instructed to give to our children. Nor are they holding their people by this method; said one of the eminent men of this order, a neighbor of mine, "We are erecting great structures for our young men, but they do not come," and they do not. You want a catechism like David's sling, with a few small stones and flexible leather, and not a piece of chain armor and a broadsword, for our children.

This movement for catechetical instruction is not a new one, nor one which has been long in abeyance among our churches. We need not hail it as a fresh tidal wave of life; it is simply a Providential call and opportunity for the church at this stage in her history, to put more emphasis on preventive than on rescue work with our children; to seize the occasion of peace to cultivate the rich intervales of Christian faith and ethics, and after our conflicts for the truth, to instruct and to definitely and permanently lodge the results of these struggles and achievements of study in the hearts of the young, which, enkindled by the Holy Spirit, may make them wise unto salvation.

The catechism course is caching in the flush times of childhood stores of Scripture and condensed truth to which men will return after the disappointments of exploration in the arctic circles of life. Remember that memory is the common faculty of all children. However much may be acquired by other forms of instruction we ought to take advantage of this storage capacity of childhood.

As veins of precious ore are injected irregularly through the quartz of original chaos, so we strive to run the deposits of Scripture and spiritual truths through the molten mind of youth, to be dug out in future and form the coinage of the King's realm.

TRAINING OF ADULTS FOR CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.[1]

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The visible church should coincide in membership as nearly as possible with the kingdom of God on earth. There are many godly men and women outside the churches. This is a matter of encouragement and of discouragement. It is encouraging that the gospel leaven is leavening the whole community, that the spirit of Christ cannot be restrained by formal barriers. That the kingdom of God should prosper is the chief concern, whether that be inside the churches or outside of them. We are moving onward toward the time of the city without a church. But we have not yet reached that stage of development. Visible churches are

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necessary. The more efficient the churches the more rapid the progress toward the consummation when churches will no longer be needed. To be efficient, churches must have the material and moral support of the good people of the community. At present many good people stand aloof and the churches are in so far deprived of influence and power. Not only so, but godliness decreases in the course of a few generations. The parents were stanch church members; the children are above reproach and very good, but not members and only occasional attendants of the place of worship; their children drop out altogether and in many instances, live without God and without hope.

So the training of adults for church membership is a substantial way, not only of building up the churches, but of fostering the spiritual life. Former revival methods have fallen into desuetude. In the changed circumstances in which we find ourselves, other means must be used, consonant with the spirit and thought of the age. Many of the appeals, once powerful, now fall upon deaf ears. Many of the methods, once helpful, now disgust. In the change, there is not retrogression, but progress. To go back is destruction, to stand still is suicide, to go forward is life and victory. The world is rising to higher things. It is inevitable that, in communities for generations Christian, training should take the place of so-called evangelistic method. We must have a revival without "revivals." The calm, candid, constant scientific spirit must rule in Christian work. We must see to it that the preparation of persons for church membership does not go by default. I am afraid many churches have discarded old methods without providing new ones. Perhaps, if the training of children were attended to as it should be, there would soon be no occasion for the discussion of such a topic as mine. In present circumstances there is large place for the theme.

The training should be calculated to make living members, not formal members only. In the kingdom of God quality is more important than quantity. I want to speak of the substance of such training rather than of its methods. The training should be, (1) Spiritual, (2) Theological, (3) Ethical.

1. Spiritual. At this point two extremes are to be avoided. The one is the insistence upon such an experience as Paul had — a radical revolution at a definite time. There were reasons for Paul's apparently sudden and radical change. But why should Paul alone be the example of spiritual life? Surely, John was equally spiritual, and there is no intimation that he ever passed through such a crisis; nor is there evidence of such an experience in the case of any of the other disciples. They simply followed Jesus to the best of their understanding, and slowly; through many errors and failures, as well as successes, the spirit of Christ became regnant in them. It naturally comes to pass that very few who have been brought up in the Christian religion have an experience like Paul's. Society is an organism. Salvation is racial as well as personal. Racial salvation, to some extent, carries with it personal salvation. It would require a greater revolution for children sprung from a Christian ancestry

and nurtured in the gospel to become non-Christian than to become consciously Christian. Such need to be recognized as a part of the church and called into service.

The other extreme is to ignore spiritual experience altogether. Some try to get every respectable man and woman into the church. This is injurious to those so brought in and ruinous to the churches. Even thoughtful people outside see the inappropriateness of such a course. The idea is still abroad that the churches stand for a spiritual life; when that idea fades, the churches die and ought to die.

The fathers made no mistake in demanding a spiritual experience as a requisite for church membership. But to what experience shall we seek to lead adults? Evidently, no one form of experience is essential. We must distinguish between form and substance. That which is personal or sectarian is not essential. Only what is universal is necessary. The eternal Spirit manifests himself in as many forms in the human soul as in external nature. Many whom we seek to win have already the experience. Again and again the earnest and wise minister will have occasion to say, "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."

Is the soul awake? Is righteousness ascendant? Does love prevail? Does the finite live in the felt presence of the infinite? In "Old Town Folks" there is an account of a revival in which many came to the LORD in anxiety of spirit and with much agitation. A few young people of the more thoughtful kind did not respond to the appeal in the meeting, but quietly presented themselves for church membership, moved, they knew not how, by an unseen power. The spirit flows forth, now in grasses, flowers, and trees, now in planets and stars, now in the souls of men. Where he comes he makes alive. And life — spiritual life — is the requisite for church membership. Define that influence as you will, or refuse to define it, as most who feel it deepest will, it is the power that raises man from the dust and makes him spiritually a child of the Eternal — "a god, though in the germ."

2. Theological. The only doctrinal requirement for church membership should be assent to the principles of righteousness. When a man is willing to do the will of God as he understands it, he is fit to be received. I mean this in no superficial sense. In my mind it implies the spiritual experience to which I have already referred. What I mean is that no theological dogma whatsoever should be made a test of church membership. When a man really tries to do the will of God as he understands it, he is in that attitude of soul where, and where only, is found essential, genuine righteousness. "In this attitude," says Ex-President Fairchild, "the man is worthy of moral approbation, however imperfect his judgment, and however unsuccessful his effort. No more can properly be required of him by God or men. In character and in spirit he is a child of God, and wherever God gathers his children there he will be found." "As God sees the man who has taken this step, he is fit for the society of the faithful. All we can reasonably ask of any man to admit him to the church is evidence of his honesty of heart — a willingness to know and to do the truth."

Let no one say that this is lowering the standard of church membership. It is not lowering the standard; it is raising the standard. It is simply taking away what a rascal may profess to believe, and putting in its place a principle as deep as the soul and as lasting as eternity. The man that is willing to do the will of God may not have a theory of the new birth, but he has the new birth; he may not have a theory of the atonement, but he has received the atonement, and is ministering the atonement to the world.

If this is the correct idea as to dogma, it is evident that some one should have made an address on preparing the churches for membership; for we find ourselves in anomalous circumstances. While few churches confront candidates for membership with theological questions, most churches have outgrown creeds in their dusty archives, to which, in an indirect, shame-faced way, they ask assent. Those creeds, however some of them have been abridged and modified, are parts of a system that has done its work and has been superseded in the thoughts of men. They are broken arcs of an old circle. No other circle can ever be constructed with them. The change that has come is not a change in details, but a change in system. That change is as far-reaching in dogmatic theology, as the Copernican theory was in astronomy. Is, then, all lost? No, no! The star-garnished heavens stand and sing as in the morning of creation. They did not fall with the old theory. God, the soul, righteousness, and love remain. The very dissolution of man's imperfect definition of them is proof of the power of their everlasting fires.

To try to give a wholly new interpretation to the old phraseology is dishonest and weak; weak, because dishonest. The life has gone out of that body and is finding new incarnation. Why should the skeleton be kept in living churches? We ought not to break continuity with the past. The present is the child of the past. It is a weak child that calls the mother names. There is a place for history. There is a place for the skeletons, but that place is the historical society and the museum. Few persons relish the thought of a skeleton in the midst of the living; the fact that the skeleton is kept in the dark adds no cheer. Why should we cumber God's heritage with burdens neither we nor our fathers were able to bear? Our justification is that we have the same spirit as they had of old. Yes, but to do its work the spirit must manifest itself in the form of truth of the age. Phillips said, "Unless we do better than our fathers, we do not so well." Instead of apologizing for incongruous creeds, we ought to stand upon a foundation of truth so evident as to commend itself to every godly mind. In the absence of a system of theology, and preferably to any system of theology, we could unite in the simple covenant of our fathers: "They joined themselves by a covenant in the Lord," says Bradford, "into a church estate, in the fellowship of the gospel, to walk in all his ways, made known or to be made known unto them, according to their best endeavor, whatsoever it should cost them, the Lord assisting them." That comprehends everything desirable as a basis of church fellowship.

A larger body of theological truth, every thinking person must have. But that is a private matter. We should seek to train men in intellectual honesty — to keep the eye single, to accept nothing because it is old or because it is new, but because it is true. Then they will slowly form their own creeds or creeds will form in them. The self-formed creeds are the only creeds worth having. But such creeds are worth having. They are to the soul what the spinal column is to the body. The preparatory theological training is, then, first of all, a training to see. This is not all, but is so important, and so much needed, that I have given it exclusive emphasis. There is abundant truth in the Bible, in the heart, and in the life. The single eye will see that truth, the honest heart will love that truth, and the pure soul will glory in that truth.

3. Ethical. The church is for edification and for revival. The second commandment is like unto the first, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." The humanity of religion is as essential as its divinity. Its divinity finds expression in human relationships. Jesus loved others more than himself. Such is to be the love of the church member. The emphasis upon service is wholesome. The New Testament heresies were heresies of living rather than of doctrine. Immoralities have always excluded from church membership. But there are immoralities other than the things usually so named. To refuse to recognize the brotherhood of man in practical ways is immoral. Selfishness is the worse heresy. A man doubts the virgin birth and is excluded from the church. Another affirms the virgin birth and boasts that he swallows both Jonah and the whale (which simply means that he has no appreciation of truth), and is welcomed as a man of great faith, though he recognize his neighbor only as prey for his selfish heart. Occasional sops to colleges and seminaries make hazy business ethics shine.

The teaching of the New Testament is clear on this point. "Whoso hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" The principle of judgment is, "Inasmuch as ye did it to one of these, my brethren — the least of them — ye did it unto me"; "Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of these — the least of them — ye did it not to me." We ought to train adults for membership who will have "the mind that was in Christ Jesus." This is definite, tangible, and comprehensive. The selfish man, though he subscribe to all the creeds and is forward to burn every heretic, has no place in the church. He is the chief enemy of the spirit of all the creeds of christendom.

Adults should be trained to regard the church not so much as a nursery as a society for work. Their piety should not depend upon the sweetness of the minister's smile or the caresses of the members. They should persevere even though the minister, with hundreds of parishioners and thousands of cares upon his mind, sometimes passes them without recognition, and though the deacons not always greet them with faces like the morning.

The righteousness that depends upon flattering favors does not approach the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees — not to speak of exceeding it. The call of the church is a summons to service. The disciples are not above their Lord. They should ask for nothing better than a fair chance to work as Christ worked. Life is not for pleasure but for glory; and glory is the halo of sacrifice. Dr. Hitchcock said, in his last sermon, "It is one of the revelations of scripture that we are to judge the angels, sitting above them on the shining heights. It may well be so. Those angels are the imperial guard, doing easy duty at home. We are the tenth legion, marching in from the swamps and forests of the far-off frontier, scarred and battered but victorious over death and sin." That is the picture of discipleship. When we invite a man to become a church member, he should understand that we are calling him to heroism.

I have said nothing as to specific methods of training. The man who is full of the matter will find a method. He will not copy another, but he will adapt himself to the circumstances of his field. Let me say, however, that while I believe in the usefulness of special classes, etc., I believe that the preaching of the word in the regular services must be the chief means of preparing adults for membership, as well as of edifying members. Some would reduce the sermon to an exhortation or an essay; others, to an exhibition of eloquence. An aged deacon said of an address, that he liked it, but that he would have liked it much better if the eloquence had been left out. Preachers need to throw eloquence to the dogs, and set forth mighty truth plainly. The time of long sermons is past, but the people are more interested in truth than ever. Who rightly divides the word of truth needs no freaks to draw the people. Nothing draws like theology scintillating with religion. When ritual or anything else supersedes the teaching function of the pulpit, the Pilgrim and Puritan churches languish; for they have lived on great soul-stirring truths. The call is to speak the word of the Lord frankly, clearly, fearlessly, powerfully. The results are with God. To be effective, exhortation must spring from intelligence. It must well up from flaming volcanoes of eternal principles. Who speaks from God is king; nothing can uncrown him save his own unfaithfulness to his high calling. Church members so grounded and inspired show the living Christ to humanity, and God goes forth anew in his world.

DO LITURGIES INSTRUCT?[1]

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The subject of this paper forms a part of the general topic of the meeting, "The Teaching Function of the Church." It seems to me a happy thought of the Provisional Committee to give the question of liturgies this form, and so lift it out of the somewhat threadbare aspect of a device for beautifying public worship.

I suppose the subject was stated interrogatively because it was felt that we were still in the tentative stage of thought and practice upon the question of liturgies, that there was not yet a sufficient consensus of opinion upon them to warrant a positive affirmation.

I feel myself that this is so; that we are still a little afraid of the *term*, however hospitably we may have welcomed the beginning of the *thing itself*.

For this reason I am anxious, at the outset, to clear my subject of misunderstanding and prejudice in two directions: —

We have nothing to do with the historical question of the origin of liturgies. Whether their use in the Christian church can be traced back beyond the fifth or fourth centuries is immaterial. The form of worship in the church is so manifestly a thing that ought to be adapted to the faith, life, and spirit of the times, that our interest in the practice of the primitive church is chiefly historical; we feel no obligation to conform to it to-day.

Nor do we need to enter upon the question whether liturgies, as we find them in use around us, are expressions of sound doctrine or give a right emphasis to the most vital elements of our Christian faith. Whatever faults they may have of this sort it is still open to us to construct a liturgy that would give true and appropriate expression to faith and duty as taught in our churches. The freedom of Congregationalism permits us to adapt our forms of worship and teaching to what we conceive to be the fittest way of expressing our beliefs, hopes, and purposes, untrammelled by what has been the practice elsewhere, and we do not greatly care to shape our forms upon the model of the Greek, the Roman, or the English churches.

It will be seen that I am not using the term "liturgy" in its stricter sense as applying to the order of the celebration of the Roman mass, nor as limited to any historical forms, but rather in its broader, etymological meaning as a work by the people; that is, any form of religious service which provides for the active participation of the whole body of worship-

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pers. Necessarily such forms must be predetermined, and naturally they will be given a character at once dignified, attractive, and fitted to promote religious thought and emotion. Very properly also in the formation or adaptation of a liturgy for use in our own times, we should avail ourselves of the wealth of liturgical material that has grown up with the growth of the church, but it would not be an adoption bodily of any earlier form, but rather a selection of the best expressions of faith, love, aspiration, and praise.

Now there are certain phenomena in connection with the practice of our churches which we cannot well overlook, and that are very significant. There is a manifest and widespread reaching out after an enrichment of religious expression in worship and the adoption of forms fitted to promote a more active participation in the service of the sanctuary on the part of the congregation. I have no recent statistics at hand, but as long ago as 1886 an investigation made by a committee of this Association showed that nearly half our churches had introduced what may properly be termed liturgical features into their forms of public worship; such for example as the Lord's prayer in unison, the responsive reading of the psalms, the so-called apostles' creed, the Gloria Patri, chants, and in some cases even prayers and responses selected from the ancient liturgies; and I suppose a similar census taken to-day would show that there has been marked progress in this direction during the fourteen years that have intervened. Whether we all realize it or not the question is settling itself for us by a quiet but steady growth of opinion and sentiment.

These changes have been prompted partly by a desire to promote a more general and active participation in worship by the congregation; partly by a craving for forms better fitted to express the faith and devotion of the worshipper, and to give greater beauty, dignity, and impressiveness to the service. I believe it would be impossible to give up these liturgical elements and go back to the older way, when the minister alone spoke for all, and the congregation had no active part whatever except to join in the singing of two or three hymns, without a distinct and general sense of loss. The new liturgy has already begun to form itself in our churches and is visibly growing before our eyes, slowly indeed, as is wise, but none the less surely.

There are some practical reasons why we should give this movement our encouragement. I suppose we have all been impressed by the strong hold which the Episcopal church has upon those who have been bred under its influence. It seems to me unique and significant. I have thought so much about it that I have taken some pains to ascertain its cause, and I am satisfied that the secret of it lies not so much in an intelligent appreciation of the ecclesiastical claims of that church as in a deep and fervent love of its rich and elaborate liturgy. Its solemn, chaste, and beautiful prayers, responses, chants, and litany, so well fitted to express the great universal feelings of humanity, its penitence, sorrow, faith, hope, and aspiration, have become to them like music mellowed by time, sacred symphonies of praise that stir all the deeps of the soul with rever-

ence and devotion. We have nothing like this in our older forms of service. The nearest analogy that I can find is that afforded by a very few of our older hymns and tunes, *e. g.*, the deep emotion we have sometimes felt when singing in the great congregation such a hymn as "When I survey the wond'rous cross" to the stately measures of "Hamburg." I am no admirer of the Episcopal church as a whole, but I cannot help asking myself the question, whether it has not a lesson to teach us, whether we have not been overlooking a potent means of winning and holding to our church services many who are drifting away from us. We sometimes say, I should think they would tire of repeating over and over again the same prayers and responses. My brethren, one fact is worth a hundred theories; the simple fact is they do not so tire.

The same lesson has been taught me by another class of organizations, the various secret societies so numerous in our midst, and never increasing so rapidly as now.

For a long time it was a problem for which I could find no solution, how to explain the interest so many seemed to find in the meeting of the lodges and councils of these bodies. I noted that some of my friends who were members, *e. g.*, of a masonic lodge, among them some who were members of my church, were very reluctant to make any arrangement that would conflict with the meeting of the lodge, and others who were not church members, men who rarely came to church except upon some special occasion, were very regular in their attendance there. Naturally I at first supposed it was the social opportunity they found there until I learned that in the working of an active lodge comparatively little time was available for social intercourse.

When, some two years ago, I became a Mason myself and had an opportunity to study from the inside this question which had so much interested me, nothing surprised me so much as to find how large a place the elaborate ritual of the lodge held in its meetings, how carefully and faithfully it was carried out, and perhaps, most of all, the strong and enduring interest it had to a certain class of minds. While, of course, there are various motives to draw men together at these meetings, to my mind it is now clear that for many the supreme attraction is the work of the lodge. And this, it must be remembered, is a liturgy without the unique quality which the church can give to whatever forms it chooses to adopt.

I do not, of course, claim that all classes of minds are equally affected in this way. Naturally there are many who have no strong taste for these things and who lose their interest when the novelty has worn off. But there are enough whose interest seems real and permanent to suggest some very earnest questions to the thoughtful Christian minister who is pondering the problem, how the church may make its appeal to men who have little or no interest in its spiritual teachings and who must in some way be brought under its influence to be trained to sympathy with them.

But here the question may arise, Is there any positive benefit in this beyond mere spectacular entertainment? Do the teachings of the liturgies of the lodge make any practical impression upon the minds of its mem-

bers? Does it convey any real lesson and secure its acceptance? In other words, Do liturgies instruct?

I have only a very limited acquaintance with the secret orders and must in fact draw my conclusions from my study of only one of them. I have no hesitation in saying, I think there is an effect produced, that certain precepts and standards of conduct are successfully inculcated to this extent, that they become definitely recognized as an obligation of every one who would be true to his order.

We meet here, of course, the same difficulty that we do in all teaching that endeavors to incite men to better lives. The amount of instruction and admonition seems, as it does in the church, vastly out of proportion to the results achieved. But I think there can be no question that these various societies do succeed in informing the mind with certain ideals and standards of life, however imperfectly they may be realized in conduct.

That this must be the result will be obvious when we consider what a liturgy actually does. It secures the repeated utterance of certain truths or precepts in carefully chosen language fitted to fix them in the memory. The result is precisely the same as when we teach a child to commit to memory the Ten Commandments, the summary of the commandments found in the gospels, or Christ's golden rule of duty. We have fixed in the memory a standard of conduct. Whatever failure there may be in positive effect upon the life, the child knows henceforth what he ought to do.

But a properly constructed liturgy also tends to engage the emotions in sympathy with its teachings. In the best specimens of liturgical utterance we find a certain quality of rhythm or musical cadence that awakens the feelings and so facilitates this instruction. There are in all our congregations many whom we should find it very difficult to persuade to commit to memory a catechism, who would willingly join in a liturgical utterance of all its most vital truths; and with this gain, that they would not only be impressed upon the memory, but also to some degree engage the heart.

It may be added that a liturgy careful prepared and repeatedly used in the sanctuary, an utterance to which the church gives its sanction and in which the whole great congregation joins, gains a kind of authority for its teachings, that authority that always lies in a consensus of belief. We have a very striking illustration of this in some comparatively recent church history. We can hardly account, in any other way, for the persistence of certain religious ideas that seem to us anachronisms. We wonder sometimes that the Anglican High church view gains so strong an assent among intelligent cultivated minds; but the fundamental ideas of this movement have been impressed upon the mind and heart by constant utterance under solemn and stately forms that tend to give them a kind of authority, and the effect, visible before us, bears very convincing testimony to the power of liturgies to instruct.

We can surely conceive of a liturgy of the truth, into which shall be incorporated materials old and new, which shall express the most vital

elements of our religious faith, fix them in the memory, engage the heart, and better realize what is so perfectly in accord with the spirit of Congregationalism, the direct active participation by the whole congregation in the service of the sanctuary.

It should be especially congenial to Congregationalists to make our public worship congregational rather than priestly. The priest stands between the people and God, acting as a mediator between them. The Congregational ministry is not a priesthood in theory; it ought not to be so in practice. Every effort should be made to change these bodies of silent auditors into active worshippers.

We have long recognized the importance of this individual participation in the prayer meeting. We have been urgent in pressing upon every Christian the duty of taking some active part in the service, either of prayer or testimony. The Christian Endeavor societies have even required a distinct pledge to this end. The principle is unquestionably sound. But we have overlooked or ignored the plain truth, that not every one is fitted to publicly express his faith and devotion in his own language, that the effort to do this under the pressure of a sense of duty must, in many cases, lead to painful self-consciousness, anxiety as to what others may be thinking of his crude and imperfect expressions, utterances that are far from edifying or quickening to anybody, all of which may tend to produce a strained and unnatural development of the religious experience, and to make the weekly prayer meeting a place into which one will go with a lurking dread, and from which he will come away either with a feeling of unprofitable humiliation or with the painful sense of a duty unperformed, rather than a place where his religious feelings have been quickened, his mind instructed, his burdens lightened, and his sorrows comforted.

Why should we not fully recognize the truth that there may be diversities of gifts with the same spirit, and while we encourage all who are in any way fitted therefor, in informal testimony and prayer, provide also some simple forms in which all may voice their penitence, faith, and love?

Whatever we may do in this direction will naturally and wisely come by careful, thoughtful development rather than by a radical and sudden change. We shall adopt nothing simply because it is old, nothing however euphonious in expression, that is not in full accord with the truth we cherish. We shall gather things both new and old that utter our profoundest faiths, our most sacred ideals and hopes, our reverence and love.

URBAN LAWLESSNESS AND CORRUPTION.[1]

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My treatment of this subject will be from the standpoint of a pessimist, and I remark at the outset that from my point of view lawlessness and corruption are not peculiarly urban, but they permeate with about equal force the four general divisions into which civilized society may be roughly classed: urban, suburban, village, and rural. In my boyhood — that was many years ago — an itinerant preacher, a neighbor of my father's, preached a sermon from this text: "In the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink." Continuing, he said, "My subject naturally divides itself into three topics. In the furst place, we all thurst; in the second place, how to squench that thurst; in the third place, how to git at it." Following his divisions, whether natural or not, we shall all admit that there are lawlessness and corruption, not only urban, but in the whole body politic as well. We can readily find the means and the appliances — we have plenty of them at hand — of correcting the evils under which we suffer, but the how to get at it; in the language of the late Mr. Tweed, "What are we going to do about it?" is the far more difficult, the vital problem; it is one than which no more serious ever occupied the thought of thoughtful men.

If we go back to our first proposition, and inquire the origin or source, in other words, how came there to be urban lawlessness and corruption, we may be aided in the solution of our second and third problems — how to suppress or cure, and how to do it. I think all will agree that the body politic — civilized society — may be compared, with some degree of exactness, to the human body; and that if one member suffers, all the other members suffer with it. We may also say, "that if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out; it is better to enter into life with one eye rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell"; so with the hand or the foot or any other member.

The human body is diseased, or may become diseased, from one or both of two causes; hereditary — the sins of the fathers upon the children — and wrong living, such as bad air, bad food, drink and numerous other causes, sins of the body for which each person is to a great degree responsible and whose penalty he must bear without excuse.

A third ill to the human body comes from external causes, such as contagious disease or accident for which in most cases one is not personally responsible, but his ability to resist such an attack almost always depends upon his condition as due to hereditary, his own manner of life or both.

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For example; in an acute attack of "blood poisoning," the result of a very slight accident, the physician said to the patient: "Were your blood polluted with alcohol or tobacco, I would make you comfortable; as it is, I will make a fight for your life," result, the patient is here to-day and in fair health.

We are wont in our thought to think of urban evils as boils or ulcers — simply local. These in the human body are indications of an abnormal state of the blood — the springs of life; you apply your remedy locally — dry up the sore — you have not effected a cure. The disease still remains and can only be eradicated by purifying the whole body. Job may have been an exception if his disease was boils — more likely it was other disease than modern boils or ulcers; a contagious disease that attacked "a perfect and upright man, one that feared God and eschewed evil." Right living — a pure mind and a healthy body — enabled Job to keep his integrity; he resisted disease and has come down in history as a man of God. I have not time to inquire how far our urban evils are hereditary — the result of our political system — "the growth of our growth and the strength of our strength," and therefore a part of ourselves, very difficult of correction and cure; nor how far they are an acute attack due to transient causes which will disappear as those causes pass by. They are really due to both, it is to be hoped much more to the latter than the former and that the body politic has power to resist disease and then to become healthy — normal.

It is at this point that the pessimist and optimist part company. For our present condition the former sees no efficient remedy, while the latter sees little of evil and a remedy always at hand for that little. The pessimist talks of a purer and a better time when an adverse canvassing board counted a governor elected in this Commonwealth by a majority of one in the popular vote, and when men served in public life and returned to private life as poor in *purse* as when they left it. The optimist says: "This is a great country and that Liberty (spelled with capital letters) follows the flag." Possibly the truth is somewhere between these extremes. In my thought, I go back to my boyhood and early manhood: I remember that this was a slave-holding country and that the church with very inconsiderable exceptions acquiesced in that condition. My own college president, a Congregational minister, defended the institution as Biblical and as ordained of God. The church did not lift up her hands to aid the weak. Parker, Garrison, Phillips, and many others, now gone over to the silent majority, "Of whom the world was not worthy," disfellowshipped by the church, gave themselves to a work which she refused to do. The war came — four years of blood and iron — the slave was free. Yet, not free — he will not be free, until he is strong or the strong ceases to oppress the weak. Then came ten years of "carpet bagging." Before the war the men who reckoned their property by millions; as I remember, there was one in New York with twenty-five millions; one in Boston with six millions. Large fortunes were made during the war; other fortunes during the carpet-

bagging era. Large numbers of men acquired great properties for which they returned no equivalent to the body politic; then came other fortunes through the wrecking and reconstruction of railroads, and still others in the rise of values in city lots for which their possessors rendered no equivalent, values enchanced by other men who swept the seas or delved in mines. I do not refer at all to the benefits rendered to civilized society by new inventions or the opening up of mines and other natural resources, but to the mania of getting something for nothing which now permeates all classes of society; because we can do a thing, it is therefore *right*.

Is it any wonder that when, as is almost universally the case in this country, men of worth and ability refuse to sit in municipal boards, and their places are taken by men of lower order both in honesty and capacity; that when large sums of money are being spent in modern improvements, the lower order of men find ways of getting something for nothing; that men with a year or two each in the common council, in the board of aldermen, and in the mayor's chair, seem to live easy ever after? The general tone of society has made this possible.

We have another element of lawlessness and corruption which is conspicuous, — the liquor traffic; men with little ability and less conscience can here make money when they can do it in no other way. We regard the Commonwealth as a unit in most matters; but we have local option and restricted license as to this traffic. Careful observation shows that in our twenty years of local option there has been a gradual separation of the well-to-do and the poorer, as to where they live. Boston is a metropolitan center on a large scale; Lowell, Lawrence, and Fall River are such on a small scale; each of these, and most other cities similarly situated, vote license, while the cities and towns by which they are surrounded vote no license. The better elements move into the no-license towns and into the wards of the cities where few licenses are granted; the mechanic and low-wage owner are left; the church follows its opulent supporters or becomes a missionary station, or later, extinct. Large populations of Protestants become unchurched; the Catholic churches do better. How can you expect Boston to be well governed when so much of its best blood has migrated to Quincy, Dedham, Newton, Brookline, Cambridge, Somerville, and Chelsea? Unless the Commonwealth again becomes a unit in regulating the liquor traffic, we are to reach a still lower deep in urban lawlessness and corruption.

The makeshift of placing Boston under a metropolitan police is only temporary. The political power of Boston and a few other cities of like tendencies is already strong enough, when united, to throw off the guardianship of the Commonwealth. We are taking "blood poison" into the cities through immigration and otherwise, and we are leaving them to work their will with few restraints. The Protestant church is becoming the church of the few — the well-to-do — not the very wealthy or the very poor; it does not touch people in common life as it ought. A recent article in the *Congregationalist* says, "The church in Haverhill has never been in touch with the shoemakers," and yet the shoemakers are an intel-

ligent class; they are a powerful class — witness the last two municipal elections in that city — and they need the aid of the church. The church is discredited because the outsider — the wage earner — has too much cause to think that it has become a very respectable and sentimental club.

I come now to inquire how to correct our evils. That is easy in theory. We have law enough — enforce the law. How can a drunkard become a sober, human man? Why, by stopping drinking. All true, but how can he do it? How many drunkards have you ever known? Did you ever know of one who did not desire to reform or who did not know the means of reformation? How many cases of actual reform have you ever known? We know how to quench the thirst, but we do not do it — do not get at it; and yet if we cannot suppress urban lawlessness and corruption, the fate of this republic is sealed, and makes one more failure. Reform there must be, but where will it begin? Perhaps other Garrisons, Phillipses, Parkers, and Mrs. Stowes will arise and lead the reform, but their support must be from the better rather than the poorer strata of society.

There are those who remember when Queen Victoria came to the English throne. They also remember the low state of morals prevailing in the English court for the then century and a quarter of the house of Brunswick. Her one life has been a constant inspiration to better home living among her people. She has accomplished what she desired by *doing* it. Reforms have been projected in the cities of the United Kingdom by a class of men who in this country have no time; I should say, no dispositon to do such things. The acquisition of wealth is too common a factor in our social and civic life.

Washington Gladden makes a fight for, and gains a seat, in the common council of Columbus. Five thousand men of equal ability and purity of life should do the same thing; but as yet they do not, and when they do it, it will be only a reformation on the surface. It will make us appear better, but no reform will be permanent that does not proceed from basal principles: *Right, because it is right.* We have been going down hill for a quarter of a century; would that we could recover our lost ground in a like period of time. Who of us is ready in his own person to undertake the work? We shall not get on as easy as we do now; some of us will be poorer, our churches will become more of what they ought to be, and less like respectable clubs. The work of saving the world began at the very top when the human Son of God, the Divine Son of man, was born in a manger; in his mature manhood had not where to lay his head, even though the foxes had holes and the birds had nests. Few of his followers can claim that degree of poverty, and none his degree of sacrifice. There have always been rich men and there always will be. The church must educate those men that large properties are a trust. She must educate rich and poor alike, that they are only stewards — and that when the chief steward shall appear he will say to each: "Give me an account of thy stewardship, for thou mayest be no longer steward." She must not wink at the evasion of taxes and other questionable means of acquiring property and seek the wealth so gained for her own endowment. The church has outgrown

the inferiority of women as set forth by St. Paul, and that very much to the advantage of both the woman and the church. Her next step should be the outgrowing of the doctrine she has inferred from the teaching of the same apostle: "Hath not the potter power over the clay to make one vessel unto honor and another unto dishonor?" She must *believe* in and *teach* the equality and brotherhood of man. A marriage dowry of five millions in Fifth Avenue; a young girl starving in the Bowery; the Queen in her palace at Osborne with the cross of St. George flying from its towers, and a woman of her own age, pinched and careworn, selling matches at her gate (this last I saw) are not incidents commendable of the Christian civilization of nineteen centuries.

My standpoint is that of a pessimist in an age of ultra optimism; I say ultra, because the church has the power to raise up those who are bowed down, but she does not do it. Does she not rather join the ranks of the strong? Witness the two strong nations in Christendom to-day strengthening themselves in the conquest of the weak. The church looks on and acquiesces if not applauds. Were there no evils, social or civic, within their own borders that needed correction, that either of them must seek new fields of reform among weak peoples beyond the seas? Did not "the submerged tenth" of the great metropolis on the Thames need any attention? Has our guardianship of the two weak races within our borders been such a success as to entitle us to other trusts? When the great senator of this great Commonwealth, in a speech most masterly and most patriotic, appeals from the spirit of gain to the spirit of liberty, our own religious journal accords him scant courtesy, and thinks he has missed the spirit of his times. Possibly he has; possibly Jesus Christ did when he said, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." Will the religion of Jesus do its work in the world? Let the history of nineteen centuries answer; or, I answer, Never until we go back to the first principles: live right ourselves, and do unto others as we would that they should do unto us, for thus taught the Master.

RURAL LAWLESSNESS AND CORRUPTION.[1]

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The topic implies the conditions. The rural town has been the theme for essayists, and the magazines and papers have sought eagerly for their articles, and the people have as eagerly read them.

It is easy to assume a condition and find things that will warrant the assumption. One finds what he is looking for and will often be ignorant of other things as important and as true.

Are rural lawlessness and corruption really on the increase? or, do they

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appear so because more light has been cast on rural life? In either case there is need of action to stop the increase or to hasten the decrease.

The facts will warrant the assertion that extreme cases have been taken as types, especially in our own State. This is unfair. A large minority might safely be thus taken, but the conclusions will not apply in that number of cases.

I have written letters to reliable citizens of towns with and without the railroad, and of towns with and without villages, and have conferred with men of good judgment who are over eighty years old, also with police officers, and the universal answer is, that the conditions are better than a generation ago. There is less intemperance, licentiousness, gambling, rowdyism, and profanity.

No one will deny that there are places where the comparison would be unfavorable. One writer, says: "The localities which show an increase of lawlessness also reveal the reasons for the increase. With communities as with individuals there can be no standstill, and in some places the conditions are such that people lose courage and life becomes a mere existence in a hopeless fashion. In these places are the worst types of brutal lawlessness."

Another writes: "If there has been an increase, it has come from roughs who have their home in the villages. Sections of sparsely settled towns convenient of access from the village are favorite meeting places for keepers of the lowest sort of liquor shops and houses of ill-fame, and as the arrest and prosecution of such fellows involves a good deal of expense, much of which comes upon the towns, town officers and others are slow to prosecute." I mention the remedy under the head of police.

The cities and villages have grown at the expense of the rural districts. Often their very bone and sinew have come from the country. Their increased railroad facilities have multiplied their favors to the detriment of the isolated sections. Their increase of school facilities has made the condition of rural towns deplorable through very contrast.

This is not lamentable. The engine does not start all the cars at once, and improvement, beginning at the centers of life, reaches but slowly the circumference, and often, like the wave caused by the pebble, loses its force with diminishing population with a decrease as the square of the distance increases.

Permit me, then, in speaking of the means for improvement to name those also that in many places are effectual in their way.

The greatest need is to be found in the home. It is said that there is as much family government as ever but it is that of the child and not of the parent. The demand for the curfew law and its beneficent result show this. The child is not in the church. Why? The child is not in the Sunday school save as it is enticed there by fond teacher or superintendent. Why? The child is not in the home. Why? There is no fireside, no family gathering, no family unit. Why? The parent relegates his duty to the State, the church, the neighbor's children, and the street. It is time that the State and the church compelled the parent

to do his duty. If one generation could be educated on this line, the home problem would be solved and through it all others simplified.

After the family comes the community. In order to it there must be a social center. If a town consists in farms there must be something to bind their occupants together. The farmer cannot live alone. He must have his social helpmeet. If there is a central village there must be a social bond between farmer and villager. This is the basis of law.

Formerly the church was the center of social life. From it radiated to every home the influences which made for manhood in every department, and to it returned only the best from every man, woman, and child. It molded character, inspired to intellectual development and to reverence for all that was pure and good and true. Its vestry was the town hall. The town meetings were opened with prayer and conducted in the fear of God and for the welfare of the fellow man. The minister was the first citizen, the representative not only of the best, but the ideal for the young.

There is no doubt of the decay of the rural church, but it is not due to depopulation. The Jews supported one tribe out of the twelve as priests and prospered under it. Has there a rural town in Massachusetts reached that ratio? Cannot any community of God-fearing men and women have a church as a social center?

The decay of the church in rural towns is due to the strife of sects. Sectarianism, which was an instrument in God's hands to arouse zeal and enthusiasm in unchurched places, and which inspired a generous rivalry in mission work, became a tool of the powers of darkness On the whole, it has been a blessing, but in rural towns it has proved a curse. It has been the cause of decay even in towns where there was not enough strength to build an opposition meeting house. I have known seeds of contention, which would have lain dormant forever, forced to germination by non-resident representatives of another sect. The center of social life thus divided, factions arose whose interests were not the same, and whose members could not meet on social lines save where they tended to demoralization.

The various sects have a terrible account to render for their disobedience to the Master's command, "Forbid not, for he that is not against you is for you."

The church as no other factor can hasten the day of rural purity. Some towns, like government officials, have been aided so long from outside sources (and the more sects the more aid) that they will die if the aid is removed. But is it not better to let die than to propagate the evil? "If thy right hand offend thee cut it off." If the church were dead, then the Gospel messenger could go as to a clear field in which to conquer for the Lord.

The confederation of churches must not be restricted to the cities. Denominational pride must humble itself, and the rural fields wisely organized and equipped, not for denominational success, but for the success of the kingdom of God. This is the only way that the foreign element can be evangelized and the New England Sabbath be kept from profanation.

The foreigner comes from church domination into communities where the only strife is on church lines.

In some towns this evil has been tempered or the church aided by clubs formed among the farmers and villagers, without respect to religion or politics. They meet as neighbors and friends, with a common social need and a community of interests, either material or intellectual, or both. It is surprising what has already been accomplished by these in bringing the different elements of a community together. In them Christians find their differences lost sight of and their true religious life taking on its likeness to the Master. Many a church quarrel has been settled in them, and many a sect hatred turned to love. The question of religion may be forbidden; but, as everything is colored by the medium through which it passes, where men and women are together, and the family is recognized, every question takes on a moral coloring. I believe the church should foster these meetings, and through them find a common ground of unity.

In the rural places the saloon is not a competitor. Indeed, it is rarely a social question. Drinker and seller are under the ban. When we read the facts concerning the saloon, we know that, in comparison with the cities and villages where it is legalized, the prohibitive rural communities must be freer from crime and corrupting evils. The tendency cannot be so great. The outdoor life and early rising of the country youth lessen the desire for nightly entertainment. If there is gambling, it is not usually incited by drink. The fact, also, that every one is known and his name an honored one, is a restraint.

This does not hold in factory villages nor among the foreign population. Crimes like that which occurred in Shelburne Falls, a few years ago, are the result of the tolerance of a hoodlum element, either through fear, or because their lawlessness and corruption are perpetrated on their own class. The question of police meets this condition.

The decrease of population has been the greatest source of harm to the school. When the country school was full, although it lacked in teaching ability and rowdyism ruled in it, a certain quality of manhood was cultivated through very contact of numbers. To-day, there are less than a dozen pupils in many of these schools, and in them there is less of lawlessness and corruption than when I was a boy. I doubt if you can find the country school in this State where the bully, of whom even the teacher stands in awe, rules both the school and the play-ground. I doubt if you can find the obscene pictures and language on the walls of the buildings, or on notes, passed without thought of sex, or hear the vile and profane language which was once typical of the country school. The pugilistic encounters of former days are no more, and the teacher is respected and obeyed without the use of the ferrule and the birch rod. Samson has been shorn of his locks. The larger boys and girls are finding their way to the center school or to the neighboring academy, and the teacher feeds her few sheep on the hill-side unmolested.

But even this is being bettered through transportation to the center where the pupils are taught in graded work under the incentive of num-

bers. The day is not far distant when the district school and the little red school-house will be no more, for the children will be carried from the distant homes to the one town school. Then there will be the enthusiasm of numbers, the restraint of more than one teacher, the oversight of the town rather than of a neighbor, and the common carriage, under the care of a chosen driver, will be a place where vile talk will not be heard and the smallest child will have his rights respected. The school then will be an inculcator of respect for law and a guardian and cultivator of the highest moral character.

Allied with the school is the public library. The time was, and that not long ago, when the Bible and the county paper provided the reading for the rural communities. These were supplemented with the debating society and the gossip of the country store. Then men read little and talked a great deal. Then the youth formed their opinions from those of their elders.

The cheapening of paper, the increased power of the press, and better transportation made literature cheap and cheapened literature. The powers of evil took advantage of these and scattered vile seed. Instead of the good the bad found its way into rural homes, and the minds of the youth were filled with the desire to emulate not the best but the worst, around whose lives was thrown a halo of glory. It would be a shame to mention the demoralizing, debasing, corrupting trash which was in the hands of school children a generation ago — read in secret, but still read. Books were too dear and too sacred to be read by children. They were not kept to be worn out, nor to be devoured like sweet-meats, but to be looked at like pictures.

In some places custodians of public libraries, even yet, try to preserve books rather than to get them read. They estimate the value of the library not in the number of its legitimately worn-out volumes, but in the number it has unworn on the shelves. Prodigality of good books must become the popular fad.

Into few rural towns can one now go and not find the public library and well patronized. These libraries are well chosen, for local pride if nothing else demands the best.

The State has done well on many lines and from her the church may learn a lesson. The poorer towns have been eager to raise money in order to secure the State appropriation. Often the school superintendent has been first appointed to secure the State funds and, his value learned through experience, he has been retained to the benefit of the town. The public library has made its way through the same method. Nor have State roads been behind in their influence. They are breaking up the isolation by making the centers accessible and the fellowship of the world is carried to the remotest door.

But in order to success, lawlessness and corruption, as they are, must be restrained. In the rural places the police force is inefficient. A modified form of the Tammany system is found. Their police are the constables chosen at the town meeting, and often from the element which they are supposed to keep in wholesome respect of law.

If there is a police officer he is usually chosen from the body of citizens and is a representative of the element to be restrained or is imported to be sneered at and despised as a foreign hireling. He is the servant of the selectmen and must do their bidding. The result is, instead of being the inculcator of respect for law, he becomes a silent, though effectual, teacher of contempt for all laws toward which the mass of the people are indifferent.

A community votes a prohibitive liquor law, has a police officer on its streets day and night, and the former saloon merely changes its door of entrance and kitchen dives flourish and the Sunday laws are openly violated. The police officer is condemned and he refers you to the selectmen who obey the power that controls the balance of power at the town meeting. The so-called best element fear for their business if they take definite action and the farce goes on. The boys are trained to hold the officers in contempt and to have the opinion of law in general that the ancients did of theft — the evil not in breaking the law, but in being found out. This is the village condition, but, like yeast, it leavens all parts of the community.

State aid is also needed here through a State system of police. Every police officer should be the servant of the Commonwealth and the conservator of its laws. He should know no one, save the State, whom to obey, and he should respect the citizens in proportion only as they are obedient to the laws. He should enforce the law without fear or favor, knowing that his tenure of office and his promotion depended on his success as a restrainer of the vicious.

The hoodlum element would soon realize the need of absorption into the body politic, or else the assurance of their extirpation, while the youth would be trained to obedience, in consciousness that the State had a real existence and possessed a power which they were bound to respect, and those rural sections where crime lurks in the solitudes would soon appeal to the State to protect them from themselves by the excision of their destructive element.

When the rural towns are brought into touch with the centers of civic and religious life — like the cells of the body through the capillaries, veins, and arteries with the heart — so that when one member suffers all will suffer with it and the common interdependence be realized, then rural lawlessness and corruption will reach their minimum, and the country towns will be to the body politic what the mountains and hills are to the fertile plains. They will send of their life into the cities to renew and purify their life without impoverishing their own, for the stream will return to them again as the water to the fountains in the rivers of God which are full.

The rural towns must be considered in every project for the amelioration and evangelization of men. The Commonwealth and the church must work together to take the best to them, knowing well that it will return a hundred fold in the manhood and womanhood fresh from nature's bosom to make strong the strength everywhere.

DUTY OF THE CHURCH IN RELATION TO CIVIL AND POLITICAL MATTERS.[1]

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During the past twenty years I have taken quite an active part in politics, and what I shall say to-day is the result of experience and not of abstract theory. And as my time is quite limited I shall confine myself to a consideration of the duty of the church in relation to politics.

What is politics? It is a common tendency among men when they look upon anything and do not take any part in it, to note the evil rather than the good. When you speak of home, that sweetest place on earth and the very nucleus of the highest civilization known in this world, the old bachelor sings, —

> "Needles and pins, needles and pins,
> When a man marries, his trouble begins."

When you speak of the church, the outsider who was never within the place of worship, says, "It is a body of people who consider themselves a little better than anybody else, but who are really hypocrites." So it is with politics. To those who do nothing in it, the word suggests bosses, boodle, rings, wire-pulling, and trickery. And they feel like the minister who offered prayer at a political convention. After he had tried to think of something in connection with politics for which he might thank the Lord, he said, "But finally, O Lord! take us all to the place where there will be no more politics and no more politicians."

Politics, however, is really a science and an art. As a science it leads us to rise to the summit of mental vision, take a broad survey of human society, note the relation of man to man, the relation of each to those things we call property, and consider what laws should be enacted in order to protect the life, liberty, and varied rights of all. As an art it leads us to make use of the practical means of securing the desired ends. Therefore politics rightly understood demands the exercise of the highest principles and talents. What, then, is the duty of the church in relation to it? By church, we may mean the collective body or the individuals who compose it. For many years I have endeavored to think of some way in which the church as such might take an active part in politics, but I have come to the conclusion that it is not advisable for it to do so.

First, because not all of the members of the church are eligible to the right of suffrage. Secondly, because the members belong to different

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political parties. Thirdly and chiefly, because it would prevent the most efficient co-operation of church members with those who are not such, but who really desire the same political ends as do the members themselves.

What is the duty of the church members in relation to politics?

This raises a fundamental question. What is the true scope of Christian activity and responsibility? I once had a conversation with a young man after a revival meeting, and I asked him what he thought it was to be a Christian. He promptly replied, "Go to church and say your prayers." If it be true that a person who simply does those things has been born again, he must be in the teething period.

Is a Christian one who tries to do God's will on Sunday and his own selfish will on Monday? Is he one who seeks to win souls on Sunday and simply win bread for himself the rest of the week? Is he one who endeavors to help others on Sunday and to cheat them on week days? Is he one who *talks* about the duty of making the world purer and better while he is within the consecrated walls of a church, and then ignores that duty as soon as he has left the sanctuary, and calmly sings, —

> "Let the world jog on as it will,
> I 'll be gay and happy still"?

It is indeed a Christian's duty, and also privilege, to go to church and to pray; but when he satisfies his conscience by saying to himself with sanctimonious resignation, "Prayer is the arm that moves the world," and considers his duty done, I would say to him that man has two arms. Prayer is one arm that reaches out toward God and gains the power, enlightenment and inspiration which become a part of his very being, and work through the other arm which is extended manward and thus helps to move the world. The man who folds either arm will not move the world as he should do; neither will he do his duty to others who stretches out both arms toward God, imploring Him for joy, peace and final salvation from a punishment which he quite likely deserves. Christ is indeed *the* Light of the World; but every Christian should be *a* light. And light not only discovers corruption but strives to purify it. Therefore, a Christian should not look upon matters which concern human welfare and simply discover the evil, but he should do his part to remedy it. His duty in relation to politics, therefore, is clearly to do what he can in it consistently with his other duties and in proportion to their comparative importance.

Is it of much importance that Christians should take part in politics? Our officials expend hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of dollars. I speak particularly of cities, and in them reside about seventy per cent of the population of the Commonwealth.

According to the replies which I have recently received from the city treasurers of quite a number of our cities, only about one half of the members of the City Councils pay more than a poll tax. And as they have not been accustomed to handle large sums of money of their own,

they are naturally inclined to expend the people's money carelessly and extravagantly.

Furthermore, they are likely to be easily tempted by offers of money made by those who are interested in matters which are to be decided by the City Council. I have been told by a business man who has had large experience in making contracts with cities that it is very rare that money is not used to influence some of the members of the City Council — usually members of the special committee to whom the matter is referred.

"I don't care for arguments, I want votes," said the manager of a large corporation that has many matters before City Councils. This remark was made in my presence. Evidently he had been accustomed to use something other than arguments or facts to obtain votes. What was it? Is it not important to know the answer to this question and act accordingly?

Those who take part in politics determine who are to manage our schools, attend to our highways, enact all laws in relation to temperance, labor, gambling, observance of the Sabbath, and nearly all other matters concerning the rights, protection and welfare of the people. At this meeting of the State Association you have chosen a committee on temperance, one on labor, one on gambling, and one on Sabbath observance; but no committee on politics has been chosen. That is like a farmer who sits in his house and indifferently allows anybody who will to sow seeds of thistles or weeds in his soil, and when the harvest season has been nearly reached goes with some other good men to the field to endeavor to reap golden grain. How much wiser and more effective to give attention to the sowing of the seed.

Do not duty, wisdom and common sense unite in calling upon Christians to see that such men are elected to expend our money and make our laws as will do so wisely and honestly?

Many men will not do anything to remedy the evils of politics until they have been specially affected. For several years some of the citizens of Cambridge made a great effort to prevent the licensing of saloons, but they could not arouse the Harvard professors. Finally a license was granted to a man to keep a liquor saloon on a street where several of the professors resided; and then they all earnestly co-operated with the other citizens and carried the city for no-license. But Christians are not supposed to be guided by the principle of doing unto others as they may feel like doing, but to obey the voice which says, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

It seems too clear to need further consideration, that the issues of politics are of great importance.

What, then, can Christians do?

1. They can get registered.

Not long since a lady visited a country school and found that the American flag was not flying over the school-house as usual; and when she went inside she saw one boy standing in a corner with his face toward the wall, and noticed that all of the others were crying. The lady asked

what all this meant; and the reply was that the boy on the corner had told a lie, and that the teacher would n't let the flag be raised, because she said that the American flag must not float over a boy who had told a lie.

With equal truth, at least, it may be said that the American flag, the symbol of protection to person and property, should not float over a man who would not take the trouble to get registered.

2. They can attend the caucus.

I admit it is of but little use to attend a caucus which is simply run by the boss and his machine. But when men who do desire a better condition of things make a contest, every Christian man should make an effort to attend the caucus and do his part to secure the desired result. If the polls are kept open several hours and an Australian ballot is used, good results can be obtained. But in city elections where party politics should be set aside, I am a firm believer in the use of nomination papers instead of the caucus.

3. They can vote on election day.

Bosses and corrupt politicians count upon the indifference of church members. They rejoice in a rainy election day, because they have learned from experience that the call of spoils is greater than the call of duty.

Christians should not only vote but they should vote intelligently. They should make a reasonable effort to learn who are the best candidates for office. Some one has truly said that many Christians vote as they pray — with their eyes closed. This is not just to themselves nor to the candidates nor to the people whom the successful candidates are to serve. By a little effort every voter can learn from some one in whom he has confidence the qualifications of the several candidates, if he does not have time to make a more careful investigation.

4. They can organize with other good men who are not church members.

This is the most effective means of purifying politics which can be used. It has fallen to my lot to serve as president of two large political organizations that were composed of church members and others. No one thought of these organizations as having any relation to the church; but as a matter of fact in each of them the president, secretary, treasurer and a majority of the executive committee were members of some church, and these men determined the policy and course of action of the whole organization, so that the church members practically took part in politics, but the efficiency of their efforts was greatly increased by the combination with those who were not church members.

5. They can consent to serve their fellow-citizens, if elected to office.

When men earnestly endeavor to secure the nomination and election of upright and competent men, it is very discouraging to try in vain to induce good men to allow themselves to be candidates. If Christian men would be willing to have their names thus used, they would lend great aid to every effort to improve the condition of political matters.

But we should not expect to purify politics in one election. Christians are too spasmodic in their political efforts. Once in a few years they

become aroused to a sense of their duty by the doings of corrupt and incompetent officials, but they are so inexperienced in politics that they do not know what to do in order to succeed. They are like the Irishman who began to trim a tree from the bottom. When he finished his task he found himself "up a tree." But no permanent good can be accomplished by a single effort. God teaches us this in His own works. The sun rises and shines day after day and week after week and month after month before the seed sends forth its tender blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear. And when one good harvest has been reaped, He does not leave the seed to take care of itself, so to speak, the next year; but year after year, the same course is faithfully pursued.

What would be the condition of the church, if the minister should preach one fine sermon endeavoring to impress upon the people the way of righteousness, and then retire from the pulpit? Week after week the faithful minister seeks to promote pure and upright living among his congregation; and still there is not a Sunday when there are not in his audience some who have been lying during the past week, and will continue to lie during the coming week; some who have been unjust and will continue to be unjust; some who have been hypocritical and will continue to be so; others who have been unkind and will continue to be so, and many more who have been selfish and will be for a long time to come.

Where would the Sunday school be, if we adopted the course which we do in politics? What measure of success would you have in business, if you adopted that course?

Patient continuance in well-doing is the price of every lasting good in this world. It is, however, very encouraging to remember that when good men do co-operate and earnestly and persistently do their part in politics, they usually succeed. I am confident that this would be the testimony of Christian men who have had experience in politics. Not that they always accomplish all that they endeavor to do. Such is not their experience in any department of life. But the measure of success is as encouraging and fruitful as in other fields of duty. And if Christian men would do their reasonable duty in relation to political matters, the day would soon dawn when it could no longer be said with truth that the saloon exerts a greater influence than the church in politics.

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Daniel E. Burtner, Swampscott, *i.*, Nov. 16, 1899.
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Joseph N. Haskell, Sterling, *o. p.*, June 22, 1900.
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Chauncy J. Hawkins, Maple st. ch., Danvers, *i.*, April 4, 1900.
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Frank B. McAllister, Bedford, *o.*, Oct. 3, 1899.
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Edwin R. Hodgman, *w. c.*, Townsend, June 1, 1900.
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John Pike, *w. c.*, Rowley, Sept. 20, 1899.
Edward G. Porter, *w. c.*, Dorchester, Feb. 5, 1900.
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MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS.

Dates from the earliest times of the Colony. Annual business meeting in the court-room of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston, at 5 P. M., on the last Wednesday in May. Sermon at 11 A. M., on the following day. At this service a collection is taken, which, with the income of the Convention fund, is distributed to the widows and daughters of deceased Congregational ministers.

Every minister of a Congregational church in Massachusetts (whether Trinitarian or Unitarian) is *ex officio* a member of the Convention.

There is a reporting committee of twenty-five, selected by counties throughout the State, by which recommendations are made to a central committee of seven, which decides on all applications for aid.

PERMANENT OFFICERS. — Rev. Benjamin F. Hamilton, Boston (Roxbury), *scribe*, and Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *treasurer;* to either of whom applications for aid may be addressed.

MASSACHUSETTS CONGREGATIONAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

Incorporated in 1786. Organized to hold the funds of the Convention. Composed of fifteen clergymen and fifteen laymen, elected from both branches of the Congregational body. Aids the widows and orphans of deceased Congregational clergymen who have died while holding the pastoral office in Massachusetts.

Alexander S. Wheeler, Boston, *president;* Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *secretary;* Arthur Lincoln, Boston, *treasurer;* Rev. Edwin B. Webb, Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Rev. Alexander McKenzie, *committee on appropriations.*

Applications for aid should be made to Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, Mass.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP.

The special attention of the churches is called to the following RULE of the Association: —

V. MEMBERS. — Each Evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar and treasurer, shall compose the General Association.

This resolution was also adopted: —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that churches sending delegates to the Annual Meetings of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts shall be recommended to pay the expenses of the delegates whom they send.

A DELEGATE FROM EVERY CHURCH would give us a grand and inspiring meeting.

1900.

The Minutes are sent to the churches by direction of the General Association. It is requested that one copy annually be preserved with the records of each church, and that the remaining copies be distributed among the officers and members in the way most likely to promote an intelligent interest in the condition and prosperity of the churches.

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF THE

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS

1901

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OF THE

NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

ANDOVER, MAY 21-23

WITH THEIR STATISTICS

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THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL AID

This Board had its origin in action taken by the General Association of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts in 1868, and was incorporated by an act of the Legislature in 1869.

G. Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester, is now its president; Arthur G. Stanwood, Esq., 701 Sears Building, Boston, is treasurer, to whom all contributions should be sent.

Rev. Joshua W. Wellman, Rev. Charles B. Rice, and Rev. Edwin B. Palmer, are the executive committee.

Applications for aid should be sent to Rev. Edwin B. Palmer, at Room 609, Congregational House. A small contribution is greatly needed annually from each church. Donations are also solicited from individuals. Should any one desire to leave a legacy in aid of the benevolent work of this Board, the following form of bequest will be sufficient:—

I give and devise to the Board of Ministerial Aid, incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, for the charitable uses and purposes of said Corporation, ...

No officer of this Board receives any compensation for his services. No other board, society, or organization in this Commonwealth contributes anything for the support of needy Congregational ministers. Our country gives large pensions to her needy soldiers. Why should not our churches give something for "the aid, support and comfort of their aged, disabled, superannuated, or needy ministers," and of "the widows and children of such ministers"?

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TREASURER	Henry P. Emerson, Lynn.

MEETING OF 1902.

The one hundredth annual meeting of the Association will be held with the Church of the Pilgrimage, Plymouth, May 20–22.

APPORTIONMENT OF EXPENSES

The churches are requested to contribute through the treasurers of their Conferences for the expenses of the General Association a sum equivalent to four cents for each member, and for the Board of Pastoral Supply a sum equivalent to two cents for each member, based upon the *total* membership of January 1, 1901 (as found in the Statistics of the Churches, on pages 130–159); and the treasurers of the Conference are requested to forward the amounts, if possible, before December 1, 1901, to the treasurer of the Association.

HENRY P. EMERSON,

33 Kingston Street, Boston, Mass.

BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY

Rev. CHARLES B. RICE, Secretary; Room 610, Congregational House.

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Term expires in 1903.

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Term expires in 1904.

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Provisional committee for 1902. — Rev. D. Melancthon James, of Plymouth; Rev. Frederick B. Noyes, of Plymouth; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; John W. Herrick, of Plymouth, Henry Stigmaire, of Plymouth.

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Auditing committee. — Daniel W. Wilcox, of Medford; Frank P. Shumway, of Melrose.

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On statistics. — The secretary, the registrar, and Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn.

On Ministerial standing. — Rev. Albert E. Dunning, of Brookline; Rev. Merle A. Breed, of Weymouth; Rev. John A. MacColl, of New Bedford; Rev. William A. Bartlett, of Lowell; Rev. William C. Gordon, of Westfield.

On the nomination of candidates for corporate membership in the A. B. C. F. M. — Rev. Willard Scott, of Worcester; Rev. John H. Lockwood, of Westfield; Rev. Bartlett H. Weston, of Centreville; George N. Webber, of Northampton; Daniel W. Wilcox, of Medford.

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On gambling. — Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale; S. H. Woodbridge, of Boston; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Centre; Rev. Isaac Pierson, of West Medford; Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River.

On the work of the churches. — Rev. Frank L. Bristol, of Uxbridge; Rev. Austin B. Bassett, of Ware; George H. Shaw, of Middleboro.

On temperance. — Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, of Melrose Highlands; P. B. Southwick, of Peabody; Rev. Albert P. Davis, of Wakefield; Francis M. Bundy, M. D., of Boston.

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On revision of the Rules of the Association. — Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; W. T. Forbes, of Worcester; A. G. Cumnock, of Lowell; Rev. William L. Tenney, of North Adams.

On church extension. — Rev. James F. Brodie, of Salem; Rev. William L. Tenney, of North Adams; Amos Armsby, of Millbury.

On relation of the M. H. M. S. to the Association. — Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. Ross C. Houghton, of Chelsea; Eleazar Boynton, of Medford.

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[This committee organized with Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord, *chairman;* and Rev. George P. Eastman, of Millbury, *secretary.*]

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MINUTES

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS met for its ninety-ninth annual session with the Seminary Church, Andover, Tuesday, May 21, 1901.

ROLL OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION

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" Central, **Jam. Plain,**	Rev. Chas. L. Morgan	
" Immanuel, **Roxb'y,**	Rev. Charles H. Beale	
" Highland, **Roxbury,**	Rev. Frank H. Allen	Edward Enslin
" Walnut Ave., **Rox'y,**	Rev. Albert H. Plumb	Dea. Wm. L. Greene
" Harvard, **Dorch'r,**	Rev. William T. Beale	
" Central, **Dorch'r**	Rev. George H. Flint	

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	LAY DELEGATES.
Boston, **Roslindale**	Rev. J.Spen'r Voorhees	Dea. Wm. H. Warner
" St. Mark's	Rev. Samuel A. Brown	
Boxford	Rev. Emery L. Bradford	W. Herbert Howe
" **West**	Rev. Chas. L. Hubbard	Alonzo J. Henley
Bridgewater	Rev. Elbert S Porter	
Brockton, South, **Campello,**	Rev. Albert F. Pierce	James E. McLeod
" Porter		Daniel G. Hill
Brookline, Harvard	Rev. Reuen Thomas	Rev. Erastus Blakeslee
Cambridge, First		George E. Mackintire
" Prospect Street,		Dea. R. L. Snow
" North Avenue,	Rev. Daniel Evans	John Le Bosquet
" Wood Memorial,	Rev. Chas. H. Williams	
Carlisle	Rev. A. Herbert Armes	Willie A. Prescott
Chelmsford, **North**	Rev. Robert W. Dunbar	
Chelsea, First	Rev. Ross C. Houghton	
" Central	Rev. Rob't A. MacFadden	Dea. Leonard A. Treat
Cohasset		Dea. Ziba C. Small
Concord	Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury	Dea. Thomas Todd
Danvers, **Centre**	Rev. Harry C. Adams	Dea. George Tapley
" Maple Street	Rev. C. J. Hawkins	
Dunstable	Rev. Harry L. Hartwell	
Easthampton, Payson		Rev. Joseph H. Sawyer
Essex	Rev. Edw'd A. Lathrop	
Everett, First	Rev. William I. Sweet	Chas. W. Greenwood
Fall River, Central	Rev. William Knight	
" Fowler	Rev. Payson W. Lyman	
Falmouth, **North**	Rev. Ezra N. Smith	
Fitchburg, Calvinist	Rev. A. Frederic Dunnels	
Georgetown, First	Rev. Frank P. Estabrook	
" Memorial	Rev. C. Julian Tuthill	
Gloucester, Trinity	Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard	
" **Lanesville**	Rev. Frank H. Reed	
Granby	Rev. Robert C. Bell	
Greenfield, Second		Dea. Emil Weissbrod
Groton		Dea. Nelson N. Torrey
Groveland	Rev. Charles F. Clarke	
Hanover, **West**	Rev. Edw'd D. Disbrow	
Hardwick, **Gilbertville**	Rev. Samuel A. Barrett	Charles Phillips
Hatfield	George A. Billings	
Haverhill, **Bradford**		Dea. Isaac N. Carleton
" **West**	Rev. John W. Lowell	Dea. Eben Webster
" Centre	Rev. Calvin M. Clark	Dea. Hazen M. Chase
" North	Rev. Jas. S. Williamson	
" Union	Rev. Albert F. Newton	
" **Ward Hill**	Rev. Charles Clark	
Hingham	Rev. Arthur Truslow	
Holyoke, Second		Dea. George A. Clark
Hyde Park	Rev. Henry N. Hoyt	Gen. H. B. Carrington
Ipswich, First	Rev. Edward Constant	
" South	Rev. T. Frank Waters	
Lawrence, South	Rev. David P. Hatch	Frank Emerson
" Riverside	Rev. Chas. P. Marshall	
" Trinity	Rev. Frederick H. Page	Miss Clara F. Prescott
" United	Rev. Herbert G. Mank	Dea. Geo. S. J. Hyde
Lee	Rev. Lyman S. Rowland	Mrs. E. M. Rowland
Leicester	Rev. David C. Reid	Charles A. Denny
Leominster	Rev. Lawrence Phelps	Rev. G. R. W. Scott

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	LAY DELEGATES.
Lexington	Rev. Charles F. Carter	
Littleton	Rev. Charles E. Havens	
Longmeadow		William F. Emerson
Lowell, Pawtucket	Rev. William G. Poor	
" First	Rev. Franke A. Warfield	Mrs. Charles O. Hall
" First Trinitarian	Rev. Geo. F. Kenngott	Dea. O. A. Brigham
" Eliot	Rev. E. Victor Bigelow	Asa C. Russell
" John Street	Rev. Geo. H. Johnson	Dea. John A. Osgood
" Kirk Street		Dea. A. G. Cumnock
" High Street	Rev. C. W. Huntington	Dea. Joshua Clark
" *French*	Rev. T. G. A. Coté	A. Sarre
" Highland	Rev. Theod'e J. Holmes	Dea. D. R. Wallace
Lunenburg	Rev. David Wallace	
Lynn, First	Rev. William C. Merrill	
" Central	Rev. Charles F. Weeden	Rev. Charles C. Watson
" North	Rev. Arthur J. Covell	Fred A. Phillips
Lynnfield, Centre		Dea. G. E. Herrick
Malden, First	Rev. Henry H. French	James Donovan
" Maplewood	Rev. C. S. Macfarland	
Manchester	Rev. Walter H. Ashley	Dea. Joseph A. Torrey
Marblehead		Nathan P. Sanborn
Marlboro		Dea. Elmer D. Howe
Maynard	Rev. C. H. Washburn	Mrs. C. H. Washburn
Medford, Mystic	Rev. Elijah Horr	Dea. D. W. Wilcox
" **West**	Rev. Judson V. Clancy	Mrs. J. V. Clancy
" Union	Rev. Isaac Pierson	
Medway, **West**	Rev. George E. Sweet	
" Village	Rev. R. W. Drawbridge	Mrs. R. W. Drawbridge
Melrose	Rev. Thomas Sims	Moses S. Page
" **Highlands**	Rev. Burke F. Leavitt	Dea. Chester Shepard
Methuen	Rev. Chas. H. Oliphant	Miss Bessie C. Sargent
Middleboro, Central	Rev. R. G. Woodbridge	George H. Shaw
Milford		Dea. Asa A. Westcott
Millbury, Second	Rev. George P. Eastman	Amos Armsby
Milton	Rev. H. S. Huntington	John A. Tuckee
New Bedford, North	Rev. Charles F. Hersey	
Newbury	Rev. Charles S. Holton	
Newburyport, North	Rev. E. E. Shoemaker	Rev. Charles P. Mills
" Whitefield	Rev. Frank G. Alger	
Newton, First, **Centre**	Rev. Edward M. Noyes	Rev. Geo. M. Boynton
" Eliot		Joseph Byers
" North	Rev. Henry E. Oxnard	
" **Newtonville**		Mrs. G. W. Auryansen
Northampton, Edwards	Rev. Peter McMillan	
North Andover	Rev. Henry E. Barnes	
North Attleboro, Trinity	Rev. Henry C. McComas	Mrs. H. C. McComas
Northbridge, **Whitinsville**	Rev. John R. Thurston	
North Brookfield, First	Rev. John L. Sewall	
" " Union	Rev. Laird Wingate Snell	
North Reading	Rev. J. H. Hoffman	J. E. Turner
Palmer, Second	Rev. Fosdick B. Harrison	
Peabody, South	Rev. George A. Hall	Peter J. Frye
" Second, **South**	Rev. Lewis J. Thomas	
" **West**	Rev. Owen E. Hardy	Dea. F. K. McIntire
Pepperell		Rev. John E. B. Jewett
Plymouth, **Manomet**	Rev. Haig Adadourian	
" Pilgrimage	Rev. D. Melancthon James	

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	LAY DELEGATES.
Quincy, Bethany	Rev. Edwin N. Hardy	Dea. Cyrus T. Sherman
Randolph	Rev. Charles A. Hilton	M. Wales Baker
Reading	Rev. Fr'k S. Hunnewell	
Rockport, First	Rev. Israel Ainsworth	
Rowley	Rev. David Fraser	William S. Foster
Salem, Tabernacle	Rev. DeWitt S. Clark	Joseph H. Towne
" South	Rev. James F. Brodie	Dea. John P. Tilton
" Crombie Street	Rev. John W. Buckham	
Sharon	Rev. Almon J. Dyer	
Somerville, First		Dea. Chas. F. Sewall
" Broadway		Rev. W. P. Landers
" **West**	Rev. Eddy T. Pitts	
" Prospect Hill	Rev. Edward S. Tead	Mrs. Sarah E. Fielding
" Winter Hill	Rev. Charles L. Noyes	Dr. Henry H. Piper
Springfield, First		James L. Johnson
" South	Rev. Philip S. Moxom	Dea. G. D. Chamberlain
" North	Rev. Newton M. Hall	Clinton W. Stebbins
" Emmanuel	Rev. David L. Kebbe	
" Park		W. S. Hawkes
Stoneham	Rev. B. Alfred Dumm	Mrs. B. Alfred Dumm
Sunderland	Rev. Edward P. Butler	
Swampscott		Rev. George A. Jackson
Taunton, Winslow	Rev. T. Clayton Welles	
Tewksbury	Rev. J. Herbert Yeoman	Dea. George Pillsbury
Topsfield	Rev. Herbert J. Wyckoff	
Townsend	Rev. Benj. A. Willmott	
Upton	Rev. Alexander Wiswall	
Uxbridge	Rev. Frank L. Bristol	George M. Rice
Wakefield	Rev. Albert P. Davis	
Walpole	Rev. John L. Keedy	Mrs. M. M. Allen
" **East**	Rev. Benj. F. Perkins	A. F. A. Perkins
Waltham		Amos Andrews
Ware, **East**	Rev. Austin B. Bassett	
Wellesley		Dea. Geo. Gould
Wellesley **Hills**	Rev. Parris T. Farwell	Charles A. Aiken
West Brookfield	Rev. J. Howard Gaylord	
Westfield, Second		William W. Curtis
West Springfield, Park St.,		Ethan Brooks
Weymouth & Braintree, **E.B.**		Rev. H. S. Snyder
Weymouth, Union, **South**	Rev. Frank E. Butler	
" **East**	Rev. Francis A. Poole	I. N. Colby
Wilbraham, **North**	Rev. Vernon H. Deming	
Wilmington	Rev. Walter H. Rollins	
Winchendon, First	Rev. Gustavus W. Jones	
Winchester		Rev. S. W. Adriance
Woburn, First	Rev. Doremus Scudder	John Jameson
Worcester, First	Rev. Arcturus Z. Conrad	Charles F. Reed
" Central	Rev. Eldridge Mix Rev. A. W. Hitchcock	
" Plymouth		Rev. Rufus M. Taft
" Pilgrim		Arthur E. Gray
" Park	Rev. Inman L. Willcox	
" Hope	Rev. E. W. Phillips	
" Adams Square	Rev. J. Addison Seibert	
Worthington	Rev. Melvin J. Allen	
Yarmouth		Edric Eldridge

DELEGATES FROM THE ASSOCIATIONS.

Berkshire North	Rev. James H. Laird	Hinsdale
Berkshire South	Rev. Lyman S. Rowland	Lee
Cape Cod	Rev. Edgar B. French	West Barnstable
Essex North	Rev. Frank G. Alger	Newburyport
Franklin	Rev. Charles E. Beals	Greenfield
Hampden	Rev. Samuel H. Lee	Springfield
Hampshire	Prin. Joseph H. Sawyer	Easthampton
Hampshire East	Rev. John W. Lane	North Hadley
Mendon	Rev. Leroy M. Pierce	Medfield
Middlesex South	Rev. Merle A. Breed	Weymouth
Middlesex Union	Rev. W. W. Campbell	Concord
Plymouth	Rev. Frederick B. Noyes	Plymouth
Suffolk North	Rev. Chas. H. Williams	Cambridge
Suffolk South	Rev. Perley B. Davis	West Roxbury
Woburn	Rev. D. A. Newton	Winchester
Worcester North	Rev. Albert B. House	New Salem
Worcester South	Rev. Frank L. Bristol	Uxbridge

DELEGATES FROM THE CONFERENCES.

Andover	Dea. Jacob Emerson	Methuen
Barnstable	Rev. Edgar B. French	West Barnstable
Brookfield	Dea. F. M. Prouty.	
Essex South	Rev. Charles B. Rice	Danvers
Franklin	Rev. Charles E. Beals	Greenfield
Hampden	Ethan Brooks	West Springfield
Middlesex South	Dea. Elmer D. Howe	Marlboro
Old Colony	Rev. Geo. W. Stearns	Middleboro
Suffolk South	Rev. Cyrus P. Osborne	Jamaica Plain
Worcester North	Mrs. Helen P. Kambour	

DELEGATES FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Charles E. Swett	Winchester
Rev. Joshua Coit	Winchester

MEMBERS, EX-OFFICIIS.

Henry M. Moore	Somerville	Moderator
Rev. Eugene C. Webster	Jamaica Plain	Acting Secretary
Rev. Elbridge C. Whiting	Belmont	Asst. Sec'y, *pro tem*
Rev. Francis J. Marsh	Boston	Registrar
Rev. Almon J. Dyer	Sharon	Assistant Registrar

ORGANIZATION.

At 2 P.M. the Association was called to order by the moderator, Henry M. Moore, of Somerville. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Perley B. Davis, of West Roxbury.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator: —

On credentials. — Rev. Henry E. Barnes, of North Andover; Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed, of Springfield; Joseph H. Sawyer, of Easthampton; C. F. Sewall, of Somerville.

On nominations. — Rev. Elijah Horr, of Malden; Rev. Austin B. Bassett, of Ware; Rev. William O. Conrad, of Fitchburg; G. H. Shaw, of Middleboro; C. A. Denny, of Leicester.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Rev. Elbridge C. Whiting, of Belmont, was elected assistant secretary, *pro tem.*

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

An address of welcome was delivered by Professor George F. Moore, of Andover, followed by a response, given in an address by the moderator.

PROGRAM ADOPTED.

Voted, That the printed program presented by the provisional committee be adopted, except as otherwise ordered.

TELLERS APPOINTED.

The moderator appointed the following persons as tellers: —

Rev. Henry E. Oxnard, of Newton; Rev. Herbert G. Mank, of Lawrence; Rev. Haig Adadourian, of Manomet; Rev. Robert W. Dunbar, of North Chelmsford.

ACTING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The acting secretary, Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain, presented his report,[1] which was referred to the business committee.

TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORTS.

The report of the treasurer,[2] Henry P. Emerson, of Lynn, was presented by Eleazar Boynton, of Medford, chairman of the auditing committee. The auditor's report[3] was also given through their chairman, and both reports were referred to the business committee.

Later it was

Voted, To take the auditor's report from the business committee, and to accept and adopt it with its recommendations.

[1] See page 28. [2] See page 31. [3] See page 32.

It was also

Voted, To reconsider the reference of the treasurer's report to the business committee, and to accept it, and refer it to the publishing committee.

THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES.

The general report of the committee on the Work of the Churches [1] was presented by Rev. Frank L. Bristol, of Uxbridge.

Voted, That the special recommendation of the committee, with reference to the meeting of the Home Missionary Society be referred to the committee on Revision of Rules.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

The following committee of arrangements (business committee) was then elected: —

Prof. George F. Moore, of Andover; Rev. William E. Wolcott, of Lawrence; Rev. William Knight, of Fall River; Charles E. Swett, of Winchester; James L. Johnson, of Springfield.

REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES REFERRED.

Voted, To refer the general report of the committee on the Work of the Churches with reference to church extension to a special committee of three.[2]

REPORT ON THE Y. P. S. C. E.

A special report of the committee on the Work of the Churches on the Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor,[3] was given by Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville, and was accepted, and referred to the publishing committee.

REPORT ON FEDERATION OF CHURCHES.

Voted, That the report of the committee on Federation of Churches,[4] be accepted and referred to the publishing committee.

REPORT ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

Voted, That the report of the committee on Labor Organizations,[5] except the last clause, be accepted and referred to the publishing committee.

Voted, To discontinue the committee on Labor Organizations.

OTHER REPORTS ACCEPTED.

Voted, That the reports on Sunday Observance,[6] on Gambling,[7] and on Temperance,[8] be accepted and referred to the publishing committee.

Voted, That the recommendation[9] of the committee on Gambling be adopted.

Voted, That the report of the committee on Ministerial Standing[10] be accepted, and referred to the business committee.

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[1] See page 32. [2] See page 15. [3] See page 33. [4] See page 44. [5] See page 46.
[6] See page 48. [7] See page 52. [8] See page 52. [9] See page 52. [10] See page 56.

REQUEST OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Rev. Austin B. Bassett, of Ware, asked that the committee on Ministerial Education be excused from making a formal report, and this request was granted.

REPORT ON MISSIONARY WORK.

The report of the committee on Missionary Work [1] was then given by Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord, and it was

Voted, To refer the report to the business committee.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS ORDERED.

A motion was made by Rev. William Knight, of Fall River, that the nominating committee be instructed to nominate a committee on Labor Organizations, to take the place of the one discontinued, but without the instruction concerning legislation to secure one day's rest in seven.

This motion was laid on the table.

COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT ELECTED.

The following committee on the treasurer's report was elected:—

Leonard A. Treat, of Chelsea; Rev. L. S. Rowland, of Lee; D. R. Wallace, of Lowell.

COMMITTEE ON RELATION OF M. H. M. S. TO THE ASSOCIATION APPOINTED.

The following committee on the recommendation of the committee on the Work of the Churches in regard to the relation of the Home Missionary Society to the Association was named and elected: —

Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. Ross C. Houghton, of Chelsea; Eleazar Boynton, of Medford.

DEACONS APPOINTED.

The following deacons were appointed to serve at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the evening service: —

W. F. Draper, of Andover; D. W. Wilcox, of Medford; I. C. Howland, of Abington; B. T. Thompson, of South Framingham.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL STANDING ORDERED.

Voted, That the nominating committee name a committee on Ministerial Standing.[2]

NOMINATING COMMITTEE COMPLETED.

The moderator appointed Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem, to serve on the nominating committee in place of Rev. William O. Conrad who was not present.

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[1] See page 58.

[2] See pages 15 and 27.

AUSTRALIAN BALLOT.

The following resolution was presented and referred to the business committee: —

Resolved, That in all elections requiring a ballot the Australian system shall be used as follows: The nominating committee shall place upon said ballot the name of any candidate proposed in writing by any five members of this body; and said ballot shall be presented to the Association at the session preceding the one in which the election takes place.

RESOLUTION ON TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION.

A resolution, presented by Rev. P. S. Moxom, of Springfield, in regard to temperance legislation, and referred to the business committee,[1] was as follows: —

In view of the fact that the present "License" system of the Commonwealth allows the sale of intoxicating liquors to be stimulated by the motive of individual gain, which is clearly contrary to public policy; and the inaction under such conditions is discreditable: —

Resolved, That this Association appoint at some time, during the present meeting, a committee of five to devise some plan which may serve as a proposal for legislation hereafter to be sought, by which the stimulus of private interest may be withdrawn from the sale of alcoholic beverages; by vote of the citizenship in municipalities which have voted to license the sale of intoxicating liquors for the last five consecutive years.

Be it further resolved, That in view of the pauperism and crime inseparable from the sale of alcoholic beverages, even under the best terms, that moneys accruing from such sale, above expenses, a low rate of interest upon capital employed, and the present license fees, shall be employed in the relief of pauperism, and for the prevention and correction of crime.

Resolved, That the draft of this measure after it has been prepared by the committee, shall be printed, and forwarded to the churches two weeks before the next annual meeting of this Association, and shall be discussed at that meeting with a view to its acceptance and endorsement by the Association.

Prayer was offered by William Shaw, of Ballardvale, and at 5.35 o'clock the Association took a recess until 7.30 P.M.

TUESDAY EVENING.

The evening session of the Association opened at 7.30 o'clock.

DEVOTIONAL SERVICE.

A devotional service was led by Rev. James S. Williamson, of Haverhill.

ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON.

Rev. Reuen Thomas, of Brookline, preached the sermon from the text, Matt. v. 17.

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[1] See page 21 and 27.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL AID.

Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, spoke on behalf of the Massachusetts Board of Ministerial Aid, after which an offering of $83.91 was made for that Board.

THE LORD'S SUPPER.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered, Rev. F. E. Emrich, of South Framingham, and Rev. William Knight, of Fall River, officiating, after which the Association took a recess until 8.30 o'clock, Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY

MORNING SESSION.

At 8.30 o'clock devotional services were led by Rev. George A. Hall, of Peabody, and at nine o'clock the Association was called to order by the moderator.

MINUTES APPROVED.

The minutes of the previous day's sessions were read and accepted as corrected.

REPORT OF BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

The report of the Board of Pastoral Supply[1] was presented by its secretary, Rev. Charles B. Rice, of Danvers, and was accepted.

METHOD OF BALLOTING ADOPTED.

The business committee presented a substitute form of resolution on balloting for the one previously presented[2] by Dr. Moxom. This was accepted as follows: —

Resolved, That in all elections in which a ballot is required the nominating committee shall cause to be placed, in alphabetical order, on a printed ballot, the names of all candidates for any office, who shall have been proposed in writing by not less than five members of this Association; and that the names of these candidates shall be announced to the Association at the session preceding that at which the balloting takes place.

ORDER OF BUSINESS ADOPTED.

The business committee also recommended that at 10.15 o'clock the Association proceed to the printed order of the day; that action upon the report of the committee on Ministerial Standing be taken at once, and that discussion on the report of the Board of Pastoral Supply be put over as unfinished business.

It was so ordered.

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[1] See page 65.

[2] See page 13.

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION ELECTED.

The following committee on Church Extension[1] was elected:—

Rev. James F. Brodie, of Salem ; Rev. William L. Tenney, of North Adams ; Amos Armsby, of Millbury.

MEMORIAL ON MINISTERIAL STANDING.

Rev. John L. Sewall, of North Brookfield, presented the following "Memorial" from the Brookfield Conference, which was received and referred to the business committee: —

To the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts :

Dear Brethren,— In accordance with the recommendation of your body in the session of 1888, the Brookfield Association of Ministers has transferred to this body, the Brookfield Conference of Churches, the duty of certifying to the ministerial standing of Congregational ministers within our bounds. We have accepted this task, and have adopted rules which are in successful operation. For two successive years our scribe has accordingly made returns of our ministerial members for publication in the State Minutes and in the Year Book. We believe that the action of the State Association in 1888 was based upon principles of our polity which are vital, and upon arguments which have not been, and cannot be invalidated. We recognize that our practice, while differing from all the other local bodies of this State, accords with the specific vote of your body, and with the usage of nearly our entire denomination outside of New England. We therefore memorialize your body to take action which shall lead to similar procedure throughout our State; and we suggest that in accordance with the method recently and successfully tried in New Hampshire, the date of Jan. 1, 1903, be fixed as the time for such uniformity to begin.

"MINISTERIAL STANDING" REFERRED TO COMMITTEE.

After a general discussion it was

Voted, That the subject of Ministerial Standing be referred back to the committee on Ministerial Standing, with instructions to report next year, and that time be given then for discussion.

INVITATION FOR 1902.

An invitation was received through Rev. D. M. James, pastor of the Church of the Pilgrimage, Plymouth, for the Association to meet next year at Plymouth.

This invitation was accepted.

ADDRESSES.

Professor J. W. Platner, of Cambridge, then delivered an address on "An Historical Retrospect."[2]

This was followed by an address by Professor H. P. Smith, of Amherst, on "The Opening of the Bible."[3]

Following this was an address by Professor J. F. Genung, of Amherst, on "A Century with Versions and Editions."[4]

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[1] See page 11. [2] See page 75. [3] See page 82. [4] See page 90.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

On recommendation of the business committee it was

Voted, First. That the first recommendation of the committee on Missionary Work be adopted, and that, accordingly, the nominating committee be instructed to name a committee on Missionary Work,[1] consisting of one member from each conference.

Second. That the second recommendation of the committee on Missionary Work be adopted,[2] viz., That the tabulation of benevolences in the "Year-Book" be so modified as to show the exact sum of money which has gone into the treasuries of the six societies, and that the other States be memorialized to make like revision of their system of tabulating the benevolences of the churches.

This vote was later reconsidered, and it was

Voted, To lay the recommendation on the table subject to the order of the business committee.

It was also

Voted, To reconsider the vote whereby the recommendation of the committee on Ministerial Standing was recommitted; and then it was

Voted, To lay the matter upon the table subject to the order of the business committee.

GREETINGS TO BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Voted, To telegraph greetings to the National Baptist Convention in session in Springfield.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS.

The nominating committee reported the following nominees as candidates for officers of the Association:

Moderator, Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. William V. W. Davis, of Pittsfield. *Alternate*, Rev. Arcturus Z. Conrad, of Worcester. *Secretary*, Rev. Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; Rev. John L. Sewall, of North Brookfield; Rev. T. Frank Waters, of Ipswich; Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain. *Assistant Secretary*, Rev. Frank L. Bristol, of Uxbridge. *Auditors*, Daniel W. Wilcox, of Medford, and Frank P. Shumway, of Melrose. *Board of Pastoral Supply, for three years*, Rev. William L. Tenney, of North Adams; Rev. Frederick E. Emrich, of South Framingham; J. L. Brewster, of Andover, and Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn.

AUDITORS AND BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY ELECTED.

The auditors and members of the Board of Pastoral Supply were elected as nominated.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY WORK.

The following were elected the committee on Missionary Work:—

Rev. Frank R. Shipman, of Andover; Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of North Falmouth; Rev. Raymond Calkins, of Pittsfield; Bennett T. Gale, of Lee; Rev. John L. Sewall, of North Brookfield; Rev. Calvin M. Clark, of Haverhill; Rev. Arthur J. Covell, of Lynn; Rev. Edward A. Robin-

[1] See below. [2] See page 24.

son, of Buckland; Rev. Herbert P. Woodin, of Chicopee; Rev. Arthur B. Patten, of South Hadley; Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath, of Franklin; Rev. Frederic E. Sturgis, of Natick; Rev. Robert M. Woods, of Hatfield; Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Milton; Rev. Richard G. Woodbridge, of Middleboro; Rev. D. Melancthon James, of Plymouth; Rev. Robert A. MacFadden, of Chelsea; Rev. Samuel Lane Loomis, of Boston; Amos Andrews, of Waltham; Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton; Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn; Rev. David C. Reid, of Leicester; Rev. Burton S. Gilman, of Gardner; Rev. George P. Eastman, of Millbury.

Committee on the Work of the Churches. — Rev. Frank L. Bristol, of Uxbridge; Rev. A. B. Bassett, of Ware; George H. Shaw, of Middleboro.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS.

Voted, That the nominating committee name a committee of three[1] to prepare suitable memorial resolutions relative to deceased brethren: Rev. Edwin B. Webb, of Wellesley; Rev. Ezra H. Byington, of Newton, and Rev. Henry A. Hazen, of Auburndale.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, of Melrose Highlands, after which the Association took a recess until 4 o'clock P.M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

At 4 P.M. the Association was called to order by the moderator, after a temporary adjournment of the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE M. H. M. S.

The following persons were nominated for membership upon the executive committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society: —

For one year: Hamilton S. Conant, of Boston; for two years: Timothy Smith, of Roxbury; for three years: Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn; for four years: F. H. Kidder, of Medford; for five years: Rev. William Knight, of Fall River.

RECESS.

Recess was then ordered to allow the Home Missionary Society to elect its officers and committees.

ASSOCIATION REASSEMBLED; ELECTION OF OFFICERS ORDERED.

The Association reassembled at 4.10 o'clock, and it was

Voted, To proceed to the election of officers of the Association, and of nominees for corporate membership in the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

Voted, That for officers of the Association a majority be required to elect.

Voted, That for nominees for the American Board the four persons receiving the highest number of votes be declared elected.

[1] See pages 18 and 25.

ADDITIONAL TELLERS APPOINTED.

The moderator added George H. Shaw, of Middleboro, and Charles A. Denny, of Leicester, to the number of tellers, also Rev. George P. Eastman, of Millbury; Rev. Albert P. Davis, of Wakefield; and James G. Buttrick, of Lowell.

RESULT OF ELECTION DECLARED.

The following was the result of the ballot for officers: —

Moderator, Rev. William V. W. Davis, of Pittsfield.
Alternate, Rev. Arcturus Z. Conrad, of Worcester.
Secretary, Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain.
Assistant Secretary, Rev. Frank L. Bristol, of Uxbridge.

And they were declared elected.

NOMINEES FOR A. B. C. F. M.

For nominees for corporate membership of the A. B. C. F. M: —

George W. Cable, of Northampton; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Centre; Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield; Frank Wood, of Boston.

IN BEHALF OF CHURCH AT JACKSONVILLE.

It was

Voted, To give Rev. Angus M. McDonald, of Jacksonville, Fla., five minutes after the devotional services of the evening.

COMMITTEES ELECTED.

The following committees were elected: —

Publishing Committee. — The secretary, the registrar, the treasurer, Rev. Warren P. Landers, of Somerville; and Leonard A. Treat, of Chelsea.

Provisional Committee of 1902. — Rev. D. Melancthon James, of Plymouth; Rev. Frederick B. Noyes, of Plymouth; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; John W. Herrick, of Plymouth; Henry Stigmaire, of Plymouth.

On Memorial Resolutions.[1] — Rev. Albert H. Plumb, of Roxbury; Rev. Charles L. Morgan, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Reuben A. Beard, of Cambridge.

DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL AT PORTLAND.

Primaries. — Rev. Albert E. Dunning, of Brookline; Professor George F. Moore, of Andover; Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale; Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. Edward A. Reed, of Holyoke; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; Henry M. Moore, of Somerville; William Shaw, of Ballardvale; William T. Forbes, of Worcester; W. Murray Crane, of Dalton; Charles A. Denny, of Leicester.

Alternates. — Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. Calvin M. Clark, of Haverhill; Rev. Willis A. Hadley, of Southbridge; Rev. Alexander Lewis, of Worcester; Rev. John H. Lockwood, of Westfield; Augustus R. Smith, of Lee; Preston B. Keith, of Brockton; Daniel O. Marshall, of Gloucester; Frederick A. Fosdick, of Fitchburg; A. G. Cumnock, of Lowell; Thomas J. Borden, of Fall River.

At 6.15 o'clock a recess was taken till 7.30 P.M.

[1] See pages 17 and 25.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The Association reassembled at 7.30, with the moderator in the chair, and prayer was offered by Rev. Albert P. Davis, of Wakefield.

APPEAL FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Rev. Angus McDonald, pastor of the Congregational church of Jacksonville, Fla., was introduced, who spoke upon the loss sustained in the recent fire in that city and appealed for help.

RESOLUTION OF ENDORSEMENT.

The following resolution was adopted: —

Resolved, That the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts sympathizes with the Congregational church of Jacksonville, Fla., in the loss of its house of worship and parsonage, by fire, in the recent disaster which left the families of the church homeless, and that we endorse its pastor, Rev. Angus M. McDonald, in his appeal to the Congregationalists of Massachusetts, with the understanding that the money contributed in Massachusetts shall go through our Congregational Church Building Society, and be secured by its mortgage.

It was

Voted, To take an offering for the church at Jacksonville at once.

The offering amounted to $142.15.

ADDRESS.

An address on "Present Conditions and Prospects in China" was given by missionary Rev. W. S. Ament.

DR. AMENT HEARTILY ENDORSED.

The following resolution, presented by Professor Edwin A. Grosvenor, of Amherst, was adopted: —

The Congregational churches of Massachusetts, assembled in the ninety-ninth annual meeting of the General Association, pay their reverent tribute to the consecrated devotion, manifested by the American missionaries and native converts in China, during the year 1900. They acknowledge the common and equal Christian heroism, both of those who died the death of martyrs, and of those whom Death passed by, and who still survive to continue the work well begun. To the speaker of this evening, the Reverend W. S. Ament, the Congregational churches of Massachusetts extend a hearty and fraternal greeting, as to the honored representative of all those distant brethren. They recognize his life of faithful, fruitful service. They furthermore rejoice that, in the darkest hour which Protestant missions in the Chinese empire have ever known, Dr. Ament was able, by sagacious and energetic action, to mitigate the sufferings of many native converts, newly born into the family of Christ.

ADDRESSES.

An address on "The Preaching for the Times,"[1] was given by Rev. Lawrence Phelps, of Leominster. This was followed by an address by Rev. William T. McElveen, of Boston, on "The Enlistment of Men."[2]

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[1] See page 98. [2] See page 103.

REVISION OF THE RULES.

The Association then took up the consideration of the report of the Committee on Revision of the Rules.

Voted, That, after the Association has finished its consideration of the report, it be recommitted to the committee, to be by them reported to the Churches, Conferences and Associations, according to the present rules, printing the present rules in parallel columns with it for the purposes of comparison.

Article I. was approved without change.

Article II. was approved, after inserting the following between clauses (*b*) and (*c*), viz.: The presentation and discussion of matters vital to our faith and the interests of our denomination.

Article IV. of the present rules was approved to be inserted as Article III. of the report.

Article III. was made Article IV., and approved after the insertion, before the last clause of Section 1, of the following: "And two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society."

Article IV. was made Article V., and approved with the addition in Section 4 (*a*), before the last clause, of the words "Notify officers and committees of their election or appointment"; and in (*b*) the words "Seven hundred and fifty dollars."

It was also voted that the secretary's salary be $750.00 annually, and shall begin at the close of this session.

Article V. was made Article VI., and approved, with the addition of a second section, viz.: "In the practical administration of its home missionary work, the instrument of the Association shall be the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, a place for which shall be made in the program of the annual meeting."

Article VI was made Article VII., and approved.

Article VII. was made Article VIII., and, after substituting for the committee on Home Missions, a committee on Missionary Work, to consist of one member from each conference, dropping the committee on Pastoral Supply, to have it appear in a different form in another place, dropping committee (*f*), adding a committee to audit the treasurer's report, and making other minor changes, was approved.

Article IX. Board of Pastoral Supply.

1. The Association may create a Board of Pastoral Supply to consist of twelve members, four of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three years.

2. This Board may choose its own secretary, and through it shall make an annual report to the Association.

A copy of this report shall be furnished to the secretary of the Association in time to be printed before the annual meeting.

Article VIII. was made Article X., and approved after striking out the last sentence of Section 3.

Article IX. was made Article XI., and approved.

Article X. was made Article XII., and with the substitution of the words "three months" for the words "one month," in Section 2, and other minor changes, was approved.

Voted, To approve the report as a whole with the changes approved.

Voted, That the committee be given authority to make such verbal changes as may be found necessary, and that, when the new rules are adopted, the old rules shall become null and void.

After prayer by Rev. G. P. Eastman, of Millbury, at 11.15 o'clock, the Association took a recess until 8.30 A.M., Thursday.

THURSDAY

MORNING SESSION.

At 8.30 o'clock the devotional services were led by Rev. Charles F. Weeden, of Lynn.

At 9 o'clock the Association was called to order by the moderator.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED.

The minutes of Wednesday's session were read and approved, as corrected.

LETTER FROM REV. S. H. EMERY.

The business committee presented the following letter from Rev. Samuel Hopkins Emery, of Taunton:—

TAUNTON, MASS., May 20th, 1901.

Dear Brethren of the General Association of Massachusetts convened at Andover:—

The Taunton Association, of which I was first a member in 1837, very kindly appointed me its delegate to your meeting in Andover, and it was my purpose to attend, but a sudden death in the circle, where I am much needed, keeps me at home. I regret this the more, as the Association meets with the Seminary church, of which, in 1831, with an elder brother, afterward in the ministry, I became a member. This was in the time when Professors Porter, Woods, Stuart and Emerson, of blessed memory, were in their prime. Deacons John Adams and Samuel Farrar most worthily represented the lay element in the church. May the dear Seminary of our early love live and grow and prosper, as never before, and have a warm place in all our hearts, and may your present meeting, on that sacred hill, consecrated by the prayers and tears and devout lives of thousands of the elect of the earth, who have finished their work, fulfilled their mission, and been crowned as faithful servants of the Master, contribute largely toward this happy end.

Very sincerely yours, in Christian love,

SAMUEL HOPKINS EMERY.

Voted, That a committee of two be appointed to respond to this communication.

Rev. T. Clayton Welles, of Taunton, and Rev. G. R. W. Scott, of Newton, were appointed.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE ORDERED.

On report of the business committee, with reference to a

resolution on temperance legislation previously presented[1] by Rev. P. S. Moxom, of Springfield, it was

Voted, That a special committee be appointed to consider the resolution, with Judge W. T. Forbes, of Worcester, as chairman.[2]

REPORT OF PUBLISHING COMMITTEE.

The report of the Publishing Committee[3] was presented by its chairman, Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston, and it was

Voted, That the report be accepted, and its recommendations adopted.

NUMBER OF DELEGATES PRESENT.

The report of the committee on credentials was then presented, as follows: —

205 Churches, represented by	163 Pastors, 118 Others	281
17 Associations " "	17 Clergymen	17
8 Conferences " "	4 Clergymen, 4 Others	8
5 Officers " "	4 Clergymen, 1 Other	5
Mass. Home Missionary Soc'y, represented by	1 Clergyman, 1 Other	2
Total representations		313
Names occurring more than once		8
Total membership of Association		305
Of whom there are:	Clergymen	195
	Lay Delegates	110

DEFECTIVE CREDENTIALS.

It was

Voted, That delegates to the next annual meeting of the Association, who bring defective credentials, be permitted to sit as voting members of that meeting only by vote of the Association, upon recommendation of the committee on credentials.

REPORT ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

The report of the special committee on the treasurer's report was presented by Rev. Lyman S. Rowland, of Lee, and its recommendation adopted as follows: —

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the treasurer, beg leave to report: —

They have been unable, at this session of the Association, to find the cause for the non-payment of the apportionments by the several conferences named.

They would recommend that a committee be appointed who shall investigate the whole matter of apportionments, and non-payments thereof, and report at the next annual meeting.

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[1] See page 13. [2] See page 27. [3] See page 74.

COMMITTEES ORDERED.

Voted, That a committee be elected for the ensuing year to report nominees for corporate membership of the A. B. C. F. M.

Voted, That a committee on Sunday Observance be chosen.

Voted, That a committee on Temperance be chosen.

ADDRESSES.

Rev. Ozora S. Davis, of Newtonville, delivered an address on "The Organization of the Church." [1]

"The Care of the Church for its Young People" was discussed in an address by Rev. Newton M. Hall, of Springfield.[2]

An address on "The Modern Church Prayer-Meeting," was given by Rev. George F. Kenngott, of Lowell.[3]

COMMITTEE ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS ORDERED.

On motion of Rev. William Knight, of Fall River, it was

Voted, That the subject of appointing a committee on Labor Organizations be taken from the table.

Voted, To appoint such a committee.

The following committees were then elected: —

On labor organizations. — Rev. Daniel A. Evans, of Cambridge; Rev. William H. Allbright, of Roxbury; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; Rev. Frank W. Merrick, of West Roxbury; J. G. Buttrick, of Lowell; Charles A. Williamson, of Brockton.

On nominees for corporate membership of the A. B. C. F. M. — Rev. Willard Scott, of Worcester; Rev. John H. Lockwood, of Westfield; Rev. Bartlett H. Weston, of Centreville; George N. Webber, of Northampton; Daniel W. Willcox, of Medford.

On temperance. — Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, of Melrose Highlands; P. B. Southwick, of Peabody; Rev. Albert P. Davis, of Wakefield; Francis M. Bundy, M.D., of Boston.

On gambling. — Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale; S. H. Woodbridge, of Boston; Rev. Edward M. Noyes, of Newton Centre; Rev. Isaac Pierson, of West Medford; Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River.

On Sunday observance. — George D. Chamberlain, of Springfield; John J. Pew, of Gloucester; Rev. Addison P. Foster, of Auburndale; Rev. Charles L. Noyes, of Somerville; Rev. Ellsworth W. Phillips, of Worcester.

Special committee to propose temperance legislation, according to resolution presented by Rev. P. S. Moxom,[4] of Springfield: W. T. Forbes, of Worcester; Samuel B. Capen, of Boston; Rev. Philip S. Moxom, of Springfield; Rev. W. R. Campbell, of Roxbury; M. F. Dickinson, of Brookline.

MINISTERIAL STANDING.

The subject of ministerial standing being brought up by the business committee, it was

Voted, To amend the recommendation of the Committee on Minis-

[1] See page 107. [2] See page 112. [3] See page 119. [4] See page 13.

terial Standing, by striking out certain words, and adding others, so that the paragraph will read as follows:—

"Your committee recommends, therefore, that, before the first of September, 1901, this Association, through its secretary, address the several Ministerial Associations of Massachusetts through their scribes, the following letter: 'The General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts to the ——— Ministerial Association, Greeting: In accordance with the advice of the National Council, it is recommended by the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts at Andover assembled, that the ——— Ministerial Association, at its next meeting, consider the subject of ministerial standing, in view of asking the ——— Conference of Churches that it hereafter assume this responsibility. It is further desired by the General Association that the action which may result from this consideration be reported to the secretary of this body by all the Associations and Conferences through the State, before the meeting of the General Association to be held in May, 1903.'"

Voted, That the recommendation as amended be adopted.

FORM OF STATISTICAL BLANK.

The business committee reported the following form of Statistical Blank in response to recommendation of the committee on Missionary Work, and it was referred to a special committee, consisting of the secretary, the registrar and Rev. Doremus Scudder, of Woburn, with power to act: —

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: How many dollars, OMITTING FRACTIONS, were given since your last report by your congregation, and by all its auxiliary organizations, including such donations of individuals as have come to your notice, to each of the following societies, through their treasuries, in no case including legacies or home expenses: —

(1) The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and its Woman's Auxiliaries?

(2) The Congregational Home Missionary Society, including the State Society and Woman's Auxiliary?

(3) The American Missionary Association and Woman's Auxiliary?

(4) The Congregational Church Building Society, and Woman's Auxiliary?

(5) The Congregational Education Society and Woman's Auxiliary?

(6) The Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society and Woman's Auxiliary?

Also for

(7) Relief of aged or disabled ministers and their families?

(8) ALL OTHER charities, including money expended in furnishing missionary goods and boxes, and all gifts to objects not Congregational, but in no case church expenses?

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

A memorial from the American Bible Society, asking that a page in the annual "Minutes" of the General Association of Massachusetts be granted to it for its receipts, was received and referred to the special committee on statistics.

APPORTIONMENT FOR BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

The recommendation of the Board of Pastoral Supply that an apportionment of two cents a member be made upon the churches on its account was adopted.

APPORTIONMENT FOR 1901–2.

Voted, That the apportionment to the churches for the expenses of the Association be the same as last year.

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION CONTINUED.

Voted, That the special committee on Church Extension be continued.

MEMORIALS.

The report of the committee on Memorials to our deceased brethren was presented, and adopted by a standing vote as follows : —

Memorial to Rev. Henry A. Hazen.

In the death of the Rev. Henry A. Hazen, the secretary of the Massachusetts General Association of Congregational Churches, that body desires to express its profound sense of loss, and to record its loving tribute of esteem. For many years Dr. Hazen served both this body and the National Council in the office of secretary, with rare fidelity and devotion. In his pastorates of earlier years, and in every relation to our churches, his tactful judgment, genial nature and spiritual fervor, were conspicuous. To his patient zeal and unwearying fidelity our Year Book chiefly owes its value, and not a few of our National Councils their effective work. Faithful in the preaching of the Word, ardent in every good work, loyal to every interest of our churches, keenly jealous of Congregational integrity, a useful citizen, and a humble disciple of the Master, the memory of our lamented brother will long be honored by the churches of our Commonwealth and nation, as well as by many of our faith and order beyond the seas.

Voted, That a copy of this memorial be sent to Mrs. Hazen.

Memorial to Rev. Ezra Hoyt Byington.

The sudden death of Rev. Ezra Hoyt Byington, D. D., on the 16th instant, impels the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts to place on record its high appreciation of his useful services in the important pastorates he has held, and also by his various labors in the field of authorship, and in the general work of the Christian ministry. Always ready to serve, and unsparing in careful and painstaking endeavors for the promotion of righteousness, he was widely recognized as a generous and efficient friend of every good cause. His writings upon the history of the fathers have formed a permanent contribution to our literature, and for this, as well as for his consistent and devoted life as a Christian minister, he merits the grateful remembrance of the large numbers who have enjoyed his friendship, and been profited by his influential career.

Voted, To send a copy of this memorial to Mrs. Byington.

Memorial to Rev. Edwin B. Webb.

The General Association of the Congregational Churches in Massachusetts, at its annual meeting at Andover, May 22, 1901, desires to express its gratitude to God for the life and labors for many years among us of the late Rev. Edwin B. Webb. It bears, in tender memory,

its delightful association with him in all the varied and important public services he rendered to the great advantage of the kingdom of Christ. He was a man sent of God to preach the Word, and his speech and his preaching were in demonstration of the Spirit and in power. His ministries were owned of God to the salvation of many souls, and to the edifying of the body of Christ, not only in the important pastorates he held, but also in later years in many of the leading cities of the land. His commanding presence, his melodious and powerful voice, and the overwhelming force of his utterance of the truth, gave him rank among the most acceptable and effective preachers of our denomination. His genial bearing, his sincere and cordial friendliness, and his irenic spirit, gave him great influence in the wise administration of our denominational affairs. Often called to act on a conspicuous arena, he invariably acquitted himself in a way to reflect honor on the Christian ministry, and powerfully to advance the interests he served. He will long be remembered as a loyal and conspicuously useful Congregationalist, an able preacher, a successful pastor, an excellent example of the true minister of the gospel, a faithful steward of the mysteries of God.

Voted, To send a copy of this memorial to the daughter.

RECOMMENDATIONS IN SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The recommendations in the report of the acting secretary were considered, and it was

Voted, That the secretaries of the local Conferences be urged to complete their reports to the secretary, and forward them in January, and that February 15th be the "time limit," after which no church report be received for use.

Voted, That, whereas, last year there was a wide variation between the figures obtained for the official report and those obtained by a special committee with reference to the membership in our Sunday schools; and as this difference often appears, our Association recommend to the Sunday-school superintendents and clerks that when they have once decided upon the proper enrollment of their school on January 1st of each year, and estimated the average attendance for the twelve months previous, that they record those results, so that the same identical figures may be given to other inquiring statisticians, and thus avoid all apparent discrepancies.

The recommendation of the secretary

"That hereafter, the "Year-Book" and State "Minutes" report the statistics as they stand on January 1st, as far as Massachusetts is concerned,"

was referred to the special committee on statistics.

The recommendation with reference to the enumeration of Young People's Societies which are connected with missions and chapels, was also referred to the special committee on statistics.

REPLY FROM THE BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The following reply from the National Convention of Baptist Churches, assembled at Springfield, was received: —

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., May 23, 1901.

Massachusetts General Association, Andover:

Baptists assembled at Springfield cordially reciprocate greetings. See II. Thessalonians ii. 16, 17. [Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself,

and God our Father which loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and stablish them in every good work and word.]

(Signed) A. J. ROWLAND, *Secretary.*

Voted, That the Committee on Ministerial Standing[1] be continued.

LETTER TO REV. S. H. EMERY.

The following reply to letter from Rev. S. H. Emery, of Taunton, was presented by the special committee, and ordered sent: —

To Rev. S. Hopkins Emery, Taunton, Mass.:

Our Dear Brother, — Your letter of greeting was presented to our body, and listened to with responsive interest and affection.

We learn with regret of your great sorrow in the loss of the wife of your youth, and extend to you our heartiest sympathy, with the prayer that you may be abundantly sustained and comforted by the Spirit of God in the peace which passeth all understanding.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION NOT LIMITED.

Voted, To lay on the table a motion to instruct the special committee on temperance legislation.[2]

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

On motion the following resolutions of thanks were passed: —

Resolved, That the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts, at the close of its ninety-ninth annual meeting, express its hearty thanks to the churches of Andover for the warm welcome and abundant hospitality extended. We appreciate the favor granted by the railroads in providing round-trip tickets to the attending delegates.

We desire to make particular mention of our great pleasure in meeting in the auditorium of the Andover Seminary Church, and of having had the opportunity of coming to this mount of beauty and privilege, and of receiving at this memorable meeting of the Association so many Christian impulses impelling us to greater activity in our fields of labor.

Resolved, That we express to our moderator our hearty appreciation of the kind and courteous manner in which he has performed the duties of his office.

CONCLUDING EXERCISES AND ADJOURNMENT.

A word of response was spoken by the moderator, a final word of Godspeed by the chairman of the Business Committee, Professor George F. Moore, and, after prayer by Rev. Isaac Pierson, of Medford, the Association adjourned.

HENRY M. MOORE, *Moderator.*

REV. FRANCIS J. MARSH, *Registrar.*

REV. ALMON J. DYER, *Assistant Registrar.*

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[1] See pages 12 and 15.

[2] See page 28.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACTING SECRETARY [1]

REV. EUGENE C. WEBSTER.

Early in the month of August last came the announcement of the sudden death of Rev. Henry A. Hazen, who had been Secretary of this Association since 1888. The "Minutes" of last year had been printed and mostly distributed, when he went to visit his old home in Vermont. The day he went away he was, apparently, in the best of health, but on the following afternoon, without a moment's warning, he was summoned to his eternal home. Patient and easy, never distressed by delays chargeable to State or Conference secretaries, or to others, amiable and serene, he was a most delightful man with whom to be associated. Upon his death, I assumed the duties of the office as assistant secretary until appointed by the officers of the Association to be your acting secretary.

For several years, — ever since Dr. Quint's day, in fact, — the Secretary, although he has done most of the work at his home, has had the free use of a desk in the counting-room of the printing-house where the publications of the Association have been printed. Sometime last winter your Secretary established regular office hours at that place; but about a month ago, owing to the fact that the Publication Committee awarded the printing of the "Minutes" to another firm, as will be shown by its report, the Secretary made temporary arrangements for holding his office hours at the Congregational Library. This experiment has evidently been appreciated and proved itself of value, for hardly has a day gone by but that someone has called on Association business.

The Conference reports came in more promptly this year in view of the "time limit" that was set last year; nevertheless there is yet room for improvement. Of the first five Conferences to report this year, four of them were later than last year. Mendon was first as usual, and gained one day; Hampshire East came next, but was eight days later than before; then came Worcester South, Barnstable and Brookfield, although the last two were respectively thirteen and twenty-two days later than the year before. Suffolk South and Suffolk West arrived on the last day for receiving the reports, viz., February 15. On that day only eighteen of the twenty-five Conferences had reported. If the rule of the Association had been adhered to, Franklin, Berkshire North, Woburn, Norfolk, Essex North, Suffolk North and Middlesex Union, with their 186 churches, would have been omitted; but in the interests of a complete and accurate report, we waited even until February 21 for the last

[1] See page 10.

Conference report. Thirteen Conferences gained 116 days, and nine lost 77 days, a total gain of 39 days. But as the Massachusetts tables could not be made until the last Conference reported, the real gain this year was 17 days, for Middlesex Union reported this year on February 21, whereas the latest to come in last year arrived on March 3. Even then five churches had failed to report, but by our persistent efforts, you will receive *some* report, more or less complete, from every church in the Association.

The Swedish church at Campello has withdrawn from our sisterhood of churches, and the church at Heath, organized in 1892, and the recently formed church at Cotuit, in Barnstable, have been added, thus making a total of 601 Congregational churches in Massachusetts. The total membership of these churches is 113,235, a gain of 269. Absent members number 19,108, or about 17 per cent., an increase of 846; 3,385 joined the churches on confession (682 more than in 1899); 3,022 (303 more than in 1899) joined by letter; 1,969 were removed by death, 2,511 were dismissed by letter, 1,535 were dropped by discipline or revision of roll. One church, the Park Street, Boston, dropped 497 names, more than half its membership. Twenty-eight of the churches each report more than 100 absent members, one church still reporting 214.

The largest church in the State is Springfield, First, with 1,103 members. Worcester, First, comes next, with 1,037, and following closely are Holyoke, Second, with 966; Berkeley Temple, Boston, 931; Worcester, Union, 775, and Piedmont, 770; Cambridge, First, 772; Old South, Boston, 752; Chelsea, Central, 745; Worcester, Plymouth, 744; and Brookline, Harvard, 719.

There were 1,530 adults baptized (an increase of 314), and 1,810 infants (an increase of 36). For the two years previous to 1900 the Sunday schools reported a combined loss of 9,036. For 1899, 589 schools reported 115,211 members, and for last year 600 schools report 120,286 members, a gain of 5,075. The average attendance in 1900 was 69,121, or 57 per cent. of the membership; in 1899, 67,615, or 58 per cent.; 561 churches reported last year, 89,150 families, whereas 583 churches report this year 92,022 families, an increase of 2,872. A year ago there were reported 522 young people's societies, but this year a gain of 10 societies is shown.

The Association will receive a report this year on Benevolent Contributions from every church except one. Only 16 churches reported no benevolence; 153 contributed to the seven objects specified in the Year-Book; 129 others gave to all the objects except ministerial aid.

Six hundred churches report (as against 579 the year before) a total benevolence of $673,945, an increase of $13,906. The offerings for foreign missions, church building and Sunday schools, show the gain, while the other offerings fell off; 590 churches (15 more than reported in 1899) reported total home expenditures, $1,711,020, an increase of $56,054.

Two hundred and sixty-five of the churches have pastors installed by

council; 249 are with pastors otherwise inducted; 6 with supplies, and 81 (including 21 that are supplied by licentiates or ministers of other denominations) are vacant, Massachusetts reports 891 ministers, not all of whom, however, are settled within our borders, and only 520 of whom are actively engaged in pastoral work in this State. We also report 27 licentiates, and 12 ministers of other denominations, who are supplying our churches, making a total of 930.

In the circular letter which I sent out to the churches, I expressed the hope that every church would be represented here today by *at least* one person. Since issuing that letter, I have examined the rolls of the last nine meetings of the Association and find that only about one-third of the churches are represented at any given meeting, and that only about fifty churches have failed to be represented at any of these meetings. This is a better showing than I expected to be able to give.

I have recently made a card catalogue of the ministers reported by our Association, and I would recommend that thus a complete alphabetical record should be kept of all ordinations, installations, dismissions, beginning and closing of pastorates, marriages and deaths, which record should give at any moment a correct roll of our ministers and should be at the disposal of any person making inquiries. In order to keep this record up-to-date, each church and minister, the scribe of each Association and Conference, and the scribes of the various Councils must promptly notify the Secretary of all such items as are to be recorded.

I would likewise urge the adoption of a similar resolution as was passed last year, setting the "time limit" for receiving Conference statistical reports at February 15. We are not yet ready to shorten the time.

It has been customary for several years, and the same plan prevailed this year, to make later changes in the columns of the tables between the time the reports come in and the day they go to press. The headline on the "Blank Schedule" reads, — "*Report of*..... *church, at*....., *at this date, viz., January 1, 1901.*" I would recommend that hereafter, the "Year-Book" and State "Minutes" report the facts as they stand on January 1st, as far as Massachusetts is concerned.

Last year there was a wide variation between the figures obtained for the official report and those obtained by a special committee with reference to the membership in our Sunday schools. This difference often appears. May I suggest that our Association recommend to the Sunday-school superintendents and clerks that when they have once decided upon the proper enrollment of their school on January 1st of each year, and estimated the average attendance for the twelve months previous, that they record those results, so that the same identical figures may be given to other inquiring statisticians, and thus avoid all apparent discrepancies.

Our Sunday-school statistics include the membership of Home De-

partments and Mission Schools, but no provision is made in the blanks for young People's Societies which are connected with missions and chapels. These should be included.

One more suggestion has come to me. These are, to be sure, minor matters; but some of the more important problems connected with the gathering of our denominational statistics should be considered at the National Council. The terms and abbreviations used in our "Minutes," defining the "employment" of ministers, ought to be more explicit. This year we have followed the old system of nomenclature; another year they could be greatly improved.

The Association has on hand 1995 "Minutes" distributed through the years from 1885 to the present time. A few of each year's issue should be kept in the archives of the Association; but most of them should find resting places on the shelves of church and Sunday-school libraries.

In conclusion, let me add that a large part of the next "Minutes" is already in type, and this fact promises an early publication and distribution. I desire to thank the scribes of the Associations and Conferences and all who have so kindly responded to my numerous inquiries, or in any way assisted me in securing the very complete returns that are reported.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treasurer, in account with the* GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY, 1901.

1900-1901. DR.	
To cash on hand last report	$ 204 73
Receipts from Conferences	6,206 97
3 Copies of Minutes	75
Interest	2 19
Total	$6,414 64

1900-1901. CR.	
By Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Secretary, salary	$ 250 00
" " " " stationery and postage	94 18
Carpenter & Morehouse, printing ballots	1 50
1 Check Book	2 00
S. Homer Woodbridge, Committee on Gambling, printing and postage	134 38
Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Acting Secretary, salary	375 00
" " " " " stationery and postage	29 63
Frank L. Bristol, stationery, etc., for Committee on work of churches	8 21
Alfred Mudge & Son, printing and mailing Minutes, etc.	941 01
Herbert N. Ackerman, Treasurer, Board of Pastoral Supply	333 33
C. E. Swett, Treasurer, Board of Pastoral Supply	1,805 96
Samuel B. Forbes, Treasurer, National Congregational Council	2,259 32
James G. Buttrick, printing and postage, Committee on Labor Organizations	17 35
Rev. Francis J. Marsh, Registrar, expenses, printing and postage	15 20
Rev. A. J. Dyer, Assistant Registrar, expenses Annual Meeting	7 10
Postage, etc.	7 24
Cash on hand	153 23
Total	$6,414 64

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treas.*

The Auditing Committee of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Mr. H. P. Emerson, and find them correct with proper vouchers; showing a balance of $133.23 in his hands and deposited in the Beacon Trust Company.

ELEAZAR BOYNTON. } *Auditing Committee.*
GEORGE H. FLINT. }

BOSTON, May 8th, 1901.

Amount of the apportionments not received from the Conferences.

Berkshire North, 1900			$ 8 24		
Essex North, 1898	$ 10 00				
1899	6 42				
1900	24 68				
		41 10			
Hampden, 1899	$ 63 57				
1900	149 66				
		213 23			
Hampshire, 1899		6 16			
Mendon, 1899	$ 32 16				
1900	45 69				
		77 85			
Norfolk, 1898	$ 18 69				
1899	162 92				
1900	195 90				
		377 51			
Old Colony, 1895	$ 5 88				
1896	17 22				
1897	18 10				
1898	32 08				
Old Colony, 1899	$40 14				
1900	41 29				
				$154 71	
Suffolk North, 1898	$162 38				
1899	196 74				
1900	254 66				
				613 78	
Suffolk South, 1900				15 66	
Taunton, 1899	$ 3 54				
1900	22 58				
				26 12	
Worcester Central, 1899,	$ 83 34				
1900,	29 34				
				112 68	
Worcester North, 1900				11 70	
Worcester South, 1899,	$ 34 48				
1900,	8 71				
				43 19	
Total				$1,701 93	

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treas.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK OF THE CHURCHES[1]

The committee on Work of the Churches would submit the following report: —

At the meeting held in Amherst, in 1900, it was voted that

"We recommend that the question of the relation between the General Association and the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society be referred to the committee on Work of the Churches for consideration, and report on the same at the next meeting."

Your committee having considered the matter would report: —

That it is the conviction of this committee that Wednesday afternoon is none too much time to give at the meeting of the General Association to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the churches having no more important work before them than that done by our home missionaries.

We therefore recommend that Article XIII., Section 2, of the Rules of the General Association be amended so that the closing sentence will read,—"The Wednesday afternoon session of the Association shall be given to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society."

At the same meeting in Amherst the Association adopted a recommendation embodied in a "Memorial" from Norfolk Association,[2] that

[1] See page 11.

[2] See "Minutes" of 1900, page 20.

the subject of church extension, as it applies to our churches individually and collectively, and also to various co-operating missionary societies, be assigned to the committee on Work of the Churches for investigation, the same to be reported upon at the next annual meeting.

Your committee has carefully considered the Memorial of Norfolk Association, relating to the formation of new churches and suggesting the inquiry whether new methods are needful. Correspondence with Associations and Conferences in every section of the State reveals these facts, viz.: —

(1) There are very few places in the Commonwealth, where there is an opportunity for new churches.

(2) There are a few places where mission work ought to be done, but in these places the work can best be done through the neighboring churches.

(3) There is an almost unanimous belief in which your committee fully concurs that no new agency is called for in order to secure a larger number of churches, or the enlargement of our work.

Your committee recommends, therefore, that the local churches watch for every opportunity for enlarging and strengthening the work of God which is committed to our care.

We also recommend that the societies which are naturally interested in this work, viz., the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the Sunday School and Publishing Society and the Church Building Society, be urged to increased interest in this matter, and that these societies have careful watch over all parts of the State and that they suggest to local churches opportunities, if such shall exist, for new work.

In behalf of the committee on Work of the Churches.

FRANK L. BRISTOL,
Scribe.

REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE Y. P. S. C. E.[1]

This Association at its last meeting at Amherst, passed the following resolution: —

"We recommend that the committee on the work of the churches be instructed to continue their study of church work for the young, by considering and reporting upon the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, as a practical working force in our churches."

This vote, it was said, does not imply criticism, but it does imply a feeling that we are not getting the best results from our use of this organization, and it has been said "the number of perplexed pastors increases."

[1] **See page 11.**

The sub-committee, to whom the preparation of this report was committed, knowing the weariness of the pastors of long lists of questions, sent them a "*Tentative Report*," giving their own conclusions from their experience and observation, as to the Young People's Society movement. They requested that the brethren "send such modifications of the report, as their experience and observation suggest." They hoped thus to get from the pastors a free expression of their judgment of the movement, with the reasons therefor, but only seventy to eighty replies have been received. From the replies received, it is evident that the great majority have found the organization a real help in their work. They see imperfections and are seeking improvement, with good hope for its future. A few, while in hearty sympathy with its object, are greatly troubled with some defects in its methods and results, which must be mended to justify its continuance. A very few are opposed to its principles and methods. It is manifest that most of the pastors have given sympathetic and earnest effort to its use and have found help and success in it.

The committee feel that the dissent from its principles and methods is wider than is indicated by the small number expressing such dissent in the replies received. One remarks, — "Among clergymen I hear expressed more disaffection than commendation touching the Endeavor Society." Another, speaking of a recent discussion of the movement, in one of our largest Associations, adds that he "was the heartiest, not to say the only, supporter of the Endeavor movement." And it is believed this disapproval and dissatisfaction has increased of late rather than diminished. Here it should be remembered, that we have been, for several years, in a depressed religious condition, and none of our agencies have had their usual effectiveness, and we may have reason for growing dissatisfaction with our success in the use of other agencies as well as this. As one pastor writes, "The committee cannot too much emphasize the probability that defects in our church life are due not to the Christian Endeavor movement, but to the fact that *something is the matter with us anyway*."

There is evident need of examination of the principles and methods of the movement, and of an earnest effort to relieve the present disquiet or to find some new agency to secure the results for our young people, which we feel we must have.

In this examination we will confine ourselves to the senior society, as we understand the Association had this especially in mind, and as the principles and methods of the younger off-shoots are so different from those in the case of the senior, that they should have separate treatment.

There are some facts which should be kept in mind in such examination.

(1) This society is only a *means* to an end. The end is the supreme thing, the conversion of our youth and their training in Christian ser-

vice. This end we are bound to seek; we are equally bound to seek and use some means suited to secure this end. They may not always be the same in all conditions or times. The only question is not, are they old or new, but are they the best we can find? If not, we must seek new ones. The church has sought new means in the past. In the last century we revived the social meeting of apostolical days, in which the members of the church were the participants; also, we devised the Sabbath school, replacing the catechetical methods of earlier days. In the last half of the century, the Young Men's Christian Association was created for help of our young men in the cities and larger towns. In the last quarter of the century this Christian Endeavor movement has come into being in behalf of the youth in our congregations. Now, if we find we can use it with good results, we should do so. If, with our best efforts we fail in its use, then we should seek something else, as some have done. One pastor reports much better success in his new methods. Seeing it is only a means, it has no inherent power to secure its own success. It is not a patent engine, which we can start and its work will be done automatically, any more than is the Sabbath school or the social meeting. It calls for our best wisdom, and much grace, more perhaps than any other of our church agencies, for it is a work with beginners and it calls for more skill and tact to guide successfully a company of beginners than a company of experienced workmen. We sometimes speak of *its* failure. Is it not rather our failure in its use. The cause of such failure may be in its principle or methods, or in our lack of wisdom.

Again, it is not a substitute for other means, such as the pastor has been in the habit of using, as classes for instruction in doctrine, or for reading the Word, or for preparation for church membership. There is a work he may thus do, which he cannot depute to others. But he may find great help in this society in his work for the young, as supplying a new influence he cannot secure in any other feasible way.

(2) This society is a growth, not a manufactured product put upon the churches by any organization.

Those of us who were in the pastorate before this movement began, remember how we were seeking some means, now this, now that, by which we could train our young Christians for better service, and for bringing the unconverted under more direct religious influences. The "young people's" meetings following revivals were transient, we wanted something to use all the time. Various methods were devised by different pastors, and some were successful. One pastor in brooding over the problem, conceived that embodied in the Christian Endeavor Society. He devised its methods to meet the needs of his own young people, especially those recently converted, and those who were interested, though not yet Christians, and with no more thought of its becoming world-wide in its use, than many another pastor who had his own scheme. This organization in its principles and methods did com-

mend itself to others, as promising to meet a need we all felt, and it was adopted by the pastors, one by one. There was no ecclesiastical authority to impose it on anyone. It spread by its own merit and success. When these were seen, Conferences and Associations commended it. But each pastor with his young people acted independently as to adopting it or not.

Some of us can remember how we tried some modification of it, not liking all its features, especially its pledge, which was thought to be too rigid, even "cast iron." We remember how we did not succeed, and at last adopted it in all its essential features. There was, it may be also, a public sentiment among our young people which exerted some pressure to adopt it. We came to it with some misgivings, but the great majority still feel that it was the "survival of the fittest," and that it has been largely successful.

Some, after trial, have come to a different conclusion, and this judgment should guide them in seeking what to their minds are better methods, and their right so to do should be respected in the court of public opinion, as sacredly as if they belonged with their new methods to "the international and copyrighted movement," as one pastor calls it. The wonder is that it has been so generally successful, not that it is not universally so.

In like manner "The United Society" is a growth. It was not devised in the beginning. Those prominent in the movement had little or no conception of what it would lead to, when they began to supply what they and others felt was a manifest need. Their help by suggestion and direction was sought by many, and they gave it. They were led on to the establishment of local and state "Unions" of the societies with their meetings, and to the holding of conventions in the interest of the movement, and to the establishment of a paper devoted to the cause, all which have contributed to its success. But this "United Society" has no authority save what the fathers used to admit of the Congregational Council, "simply the weight of the reasons given for its advice," and if the United Society should seek to use authority, we are not bound to heed, but rather to resist. But most of the pastors and societies feel no constraint from it, nor interference. They appreciate the wisdom and devotion which have characterized the action of its officers and the powerful influence they have exerted for good.

Remembering these facts, we ask how the society seeks to attain its great objects, namely, the training of young Christians in service, and the reaching of those not yet converted.

Its distinctive principle is to set these young Christians to Christian service among the young, in and by themselves and largely under their own direction. They are to choose their own officers from their own number. They are to conduct their own work in maintaining their meetings, and in committee work. The form of the organization is recommended in constitution and by-laws, suggestions are made as to

committee work. These they accept and adopt, just as far as they, in consultation with the pastor, see fit. It is not gymnasium practice to prepare for work by and by, but it is the actual doing for the Master, for the church and for themselves, what belongs to them as Christians to do, and they are to seek to win their unconverted friends to share in this work in an associate membership, so far as participation in it may be had without profession of faith in Christ, and they are to seek to win them to this and to full participation in all their work. By this service they are to be trained for a life of Christian usefulness.

In doing this work a "pledge" is made of specific religious acts. Now as to this "pledge" we find a decided difference of opinion among the pastors as indicated by their replies and in the committee. The majority approve the principle and use of the pledge, while some have strong objection to it in principle and practice. One pastor writes,—"It is the occasion of weekly perjury in every church in Massachusetts."

Those who approve of the use of the pledge, believe that the principle of promising specific acts is involved in our Lord's command for specific religious acts in the sacraments, in daily prayer, and the study of the Word, and in Paul's charge, "Forsake not," etc., and it is recognized in most of our church covenants, where we so usually find the promise "to give attendance to His word and ordinances, to family and secret prayer," and they believe that there is special need that we use it now for two reasons.

(1) Because of the strong tendency, while the obligation of a general pledge of Christian life and service is admitted, to forget that the obligation of this inclusive pledge we make every time we renew our covenant at the Lord's table, belongs also to the *parts* of which the whole consists, and if the parts are not remembered and kept the inclusive promise fails. For this reason there is need that we specify and emphasize the parts, and

(2) Because of the strong tendency of the present day to minimize the *religious* action we shall hold to belong to a Christian life, until the vanishing point is almost reached. It is felt that for a strong and fruitful life we should rather ask what action is essential to such a life, and then we should promise to do these things and hold ourselves to such action, we should pledge ourselves to strive for the highest attainable, and not be content with the lowest which shall not forfeit the Christian name.

The acts promised in the pledge, are, the first two (those of use of the Word and prayer) essential to the maintenance of the personal Christian life, the next of attendance on services of the church, is essential to the maintenance and efficiency of the public means of grace, and with the clause, "unless hindered by some reason, which I can conscientiously give to my Lord and Master," is of obligation for every Christian, and the keeping of it by the body of church members would add exceedingly to the fruitfulness of our church agencies. The promise of participation in every meeting, made with the same qualification as to the Mas-

ter's approval, is a useful element in *a training school*, which the society is, developing a sense and habit of responsibility for the service, leading to a preparation for the meeting which is of value, and as it requires no "talking" or "experience," has no necessary tendency to "superficiality and formalism," as is sometimes objected.

They believe that the use of the pledge helps to a more careful and earnest Christian life.

The influence of failure to keep it is not forgotten. This it shares with the failure to keep the covenant we renew each time we come to the communion. But because of this, we do not feel it is right to lower the standard, or to refuse to strive to attain it.

But while this appears to be the view of a large majority some dissent from it decidedly. Their objection cannot be stated better than in the words of a member of the committee, who writes, — "My objection is not to a general pledge, all associations and societies have some general assent to further the interest of the same. To such a pledge or avowal I should feel no objection. I do object to Y. P. S. C. E. pledge, for it *takes the place* of the one public profession every Christian ought to make when he joins the church. It leads some active members to think there is no need (for this very reason, that they have openly professed Christ) of uniting with the church.

"I object also to its detail, for the reason that specifying some duties — you make others of less account — any such list should be complete. One thing more, this pledge throws discredit on the church pledge. It implies either that it (the church pledge) is not kept, and so a new one is needed, or that being kept, it does not secure the things that are necessary to a Christian life, so a brand new one and a much better one is needed."

It is manifest that others sympathize with these objections, and some may have some beside these. What should be done by such? By all means modify the pledge, or possibly not use it at all, and let all respect the right of judgment of all others. The one essential is that we commit ourselves more and more earnestly to persistent effort, to train our young Christians to Christian work for the church, for themselves, and for their young companions, and hold up before them a high standard of a devoted religious life, and seek to help them to strenuous effort to secure it, in such organization or by such means as seem best.

Again there is objection on the part of some, to the relations of the United Society to the local societies. It is said "the United Society is too much in evidence." "It seeks to lead too much in matters of the Christian life, even suggesting a rule of proportion in giving. It is a power from without, doing what the church itself should do. It makes too much of conventions. It is uncongregational." When we remember that there is no authority in the United Society, and that its work is that of suggestion, not direction, it would seem as if each society could

protect itself from any harmful interference. The real difficulty comes from the charm of being a part of a great movement of our young people, helped possibly by the feeling that there is some lack of sympathy with them on the part of the church, which may give the United Society an undue influence. Against this we must guard.

The opinion of the committee is that the aims and efforts of the United Society have been wise, and on the whole very helpful, and its officers have shown an adaptation of means, a readiness to change in methods, which gives promise of abating all just reasons for this objection. Their decisions as to "the pledge" and "conventions," in their recent gathering in Portland, shows a desire to give due weight to the judgment of the pastors. They do put Christ and the church first, and not the Christian Endeavor movement. They wish to help the church and have done and are doing a work for which many feel greatly thankful.

It should be remembered that these objections we have considered, are made only by a small portion of those who have made reply to the request of the committee. It is believed that the most do not feel them.

But there are many more, though by no means a majority of those replying, who mention difficulties they experience in their work in the society. Some of them are such as we are all having, in this period of religious depression, in our use of other agencies in our religious work, such as "inconstancy," lack of spiritual power, deficiency in the spirit to seek the salvation of souls, and the like. These need no special consideration. Our only help is in a revival of religion, wide and deep, through the agency of the Holy Spirit.

Other difficulties are found in working of this special agency.

One says, — "Better without the pledge." One would lesson its promises. Another says, — "Do not lessen it, but make it more emphatic." Another, — "Separate it into its parts." "We do not hold the young men, but even repel them." One says, — "Keep it to young people alone, and insist on graduation." Another, — That "there should be some older ones in the society." One, — That "there is not educational work enough in it. Better study the Sabbath-school lesson." One, — "That it should do more work in other departments than that of the meetings and usual committee work." Some of these difficulties, we must believe, come from local causes, and some miss the object of the society and seek from it what belongs to other church agencies.

Several speak of a tendency to be satisfied with membership in the society as a substitute for membership in the church. Cannot the pastor and the church members in the society correct this by creating a public sentiment that such course is utterly at variance with the very ideal of the society. We know there is this sentiment in some societies, and almost an insistence that an active member must unite with the church, if he has not already done so. The pledge cannot be honestly taken by one who continues out of the church, and after a proper delay

he should not be looked upon as rightly a member of the society. But some say, there is a kind of "aloofness" from the church, and a failure to be active in other parts of religious work. May not this "aloofness" be partly due to the lack of sympathy with the young on the part of older members of the church. As to failure to do their part in other departments of work, we may say they thus fail to keep their promise made when they came into the church, as well as the promise made when they came into the society. But may it not be due in still larger degree to a general trend in all our religious life to do less and less in religious activity, because of "the lust of other things"? Can we expect a relief until there is a *more general* acceptance of the true first place of the religious life and its work? While these difficulties may not all be overcome, it is believed they may, with loving faithfulness and tact, be greatly relieved. Nor should it be forgotten that we find difficulties in the use of every agency of our work in the church, and when we consider the peculiar and varied objects of this organization, we should expect to find some peculiar difficulties in its use.

Now we ask what is the testimony as to the organization? We have been using it for more than twenty years, long enough to test its value as an agency in the work of the church. What is the testimony as indicated by the replies received?

The following results are witnessed to: —

(1) We have seen the *proportion* of young people coming into the church increased.

The majority (three-fifths) report this, a few are in doubt, a few say "no." Yet we need a caution here not to attribute too large an efficiency to this one agency in this result. When it is said "so many have united with the church from the Christian Endeavor Society" in any year, we should remember that the same usually come from the Sabbath school, from the hearers of the preaching, from the Christian home, and give to each agency the credit due to it. This organization has helped in the work to which all have contributed, and we may believe has *added* to the numbers some who without it would not have been brought in.

(2) It has trained our young Christians in the conduct and maintaining of social services. They are doing their part in the mid-week services fully as well as the older members in attendance and participation, and in some cases there are signs that an undue portion is being left to them.

(3) It has brought a large number of unconverted young people every week into a religious and evangelistic meeting, of its associate members and others, who are, perhaps, one-third of those in attendance. They put themselves in the way of direct personal appeal by the pastor and active members. Without this society we should rarely see these in any religious service, except the preaching and the Sabbath school, except in times of general interest. This brings the material on which

Christians should work close at hand, and prompts them to such work. From these persons we are receiving a good part of our additions to our churches.

(4) It has in many cases, and might have in all, awakened and developed an interest and participation in missionary work. Many a pastor who has mourned the loss of the old "missionary concert," has seen a new monthly missionary meeting conducted by the young people, with some participation and help by him. Regular contributions are made, perhaps supporting a native pastor, and the members are trained in "systematic giving." When the "missionary prayer cycle" is used, there comes into every meeting, prayer for missions, and the habit of concentrating all prayers on themselves gives place to that of praying for the Kingdom of God in the whole world, as the Master bids.

(5) It brings the pastor into more intimate contact with his young people, in a religious way. Many a pastor can testify to a great change in this since this society was formed. It is a new and blessed experience and opportunity for him. He becomes younger with them and he gets a hold on them, which may be most helpful to them and to him. They love him more because they know him better, and he loves them more effectually because of this near contact. It does cost him time and thought. It is a "drain" on his strength, but no part of what he does has larger compensation, or returns more help to him. He can do his whole work the better for it.

It has proved of special value in uniting Christians of different denominations in maintaining religious services in small communities, where the members of the different churches were each too few to maintain such services, but in which all united can support preaching, Sabbath school and social meetings. We see instances of this in the older States, but especially in the small, new communities of the West, where a denominational or union *church* could not prosper, or even live. Of like kind is its influence in bringing together in a common work the members of churches of different localities and names, helping them to realize their real unity in the Lord, and thus helping to bring the day when His prayer that we all may be one, as he and the Father are one, shall be answered.

But are there no failures to secure such results? Yes, just as there are in our use of other church agencies. How many churches, and even Sabbath schools, languish, and some even die!

There may be some falling off in the attendance on the mid-week services or the Sabbath evening meeting. Here, however, it should be remembered that in many smaller churches the society includes all the church, old as well as young, and the advantage from the society is in the developing of a sense of the personal responsibility of all for maintaining the meetings and for the varied forms of church work. In such cases there is no competition between different meetings, but rather an infusion of new elements and life into all the meetings.

But most of the societies are really "young people's" societies, into which few older members of the church come. Here there is danger of the neglect of the regular church services. But investigation seems to show that the members of the society are fully as faithful to these other services as are the older members of the church, and in many instances much more so. But even if there is some loss in attendance on these other services, it should be remembered that there is a much larger attendance of *different* persons at the two meetings every week than there used to be at the one meeting before the society came into being, and especially should it be remembered that this gain is in the attendance of the unconverted, for whom there is given by such attendance hopeful opportunity for effort. How frequently do these become "associate" members, then "active," and soon members of the church. This fact much more than offsets any lessening of attendance at these other services. Besides, by loving insistence on the first part of the pledge, the difficulty may be largely if not entirely removed.

But with all that may be said of the good accomplished through this organization, we are not satisfied with present results. The ideal, as in every form of our church agency, is far in advance of our attainment, and the question comes to us all,—How may we make it more effective for good?

Four suggestions only are made:—

(1) Our great need in this and in all our forms of church work is not more or better machinery, but the power of God from on high in us who use it—"the spirit of the Living One in the wheels." Without this all our modifications of organization will be in vain; with this, wonders may be wrought with very imperfect organization.

(2) Let the pastor continue to put his mind and heart into its work. If he feels it needs modification, let him seek this, but at any rate work in it with his whole soul. It may not be well for him to be a voting member, but he certainly should be an "active" one, present if possible in every meeting, and taking part, preferably at the close, gathering up the lessons of the topic, supplying any gaps in its treatment, and making the strongest appeal to all present. It is a precious opportunity for him which he cannot miss without great loss. He will often be consulted as to various measures, and he should be wise not to make too many suggestions, especially not to be critical, and not try to have everything perfect according to his own ideas. It is better that the young people make some mistakes rather than be guided too much. What is needed is grace, common sense, and much prayer, ever remembering and keeping before all the true relations of the society to the church. The pastor doing this will have all the influence in it he cares to be responsible for.

(3) The older members of the church should give it a cordial, sympathetic help. It is the belief of the committee that many who had doubts in the beginning are seeing that these doubts were not warranted,

and are coming to feel that wisely used it may be an efficient helper in church work. There should also be given a warm-hearted encouragement and co-operation. Occasional attendance at the meeting, not a silent one, which may be construed as critical, but with words of cheer and approval of its design and endeavors, would be very helpful.

(4) The members of the society themselves must do their part that it may attain its highest usefulness. They may sometimes feel that they do not have the sympathy and co-operation of the older members of the church, and may be tempted themselves to stand aloof. They should remember that the relation and its obligation are mutual, and that if they keep in mind the object of the organization "For Christ and His church," and that they themselves are part of the church, and their first promises in the pledge are for the church, and then keep these promises, they will soon convince all the older members that the society is contributing a most important help to the common work, and will secure their sympathy and support. Let them also, in the mid-week meeting, be sure and do their part in the support of the meeting for which the society seeks to train them. When they cease to be active members, let them be sure to feel and act towards the society as they felt the members of the church should do when they were active members.

Let the pledge be studied often, and renewed honestly and kept faithfully in trust in Christ.

The preparation for taking one's part in every meeting is very valuable for every member, even if he is not able to be present, or even when present not able to take the part for which he has prepared.

Can we not have a *practical*, not a formal, incorporation of the society in the church-life and activity, such as we mean to have for the Sabbath school and this without desire or effort to control it, so as to make it cease to be a young people's society.

May we not look for a time, when we shall see all heartily helping this agency, as all others, and when a large portion of the church-membership, having been trained to Christian work in it, retaining an honorary membership in it, shall give it a helpful sympathy, and all shall give much loving prayer to its work, as they do to that of the Sabbath school, the social meeting, and the preaching, and when we shall see a new power and efficiency in our use of all the means at our command, now made complete by the new element in this organization, and the church receiving into its communion many—why not *all*—of the children and youth within its reach, and working with new power for the evangelizing of this world of ours? We have only begun to see the possibilities of achievement; may the near future have wonderful revelations of triumphant success for the gospel. It will, if we, the church, *will* it in faith in God.

JOHN R. THURSTON.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FEDERATION OF THE CHURCHES[1]

Two members of the Committee on the Federation of the Churches having declined to serve, the chairman submits a unanimous report.

While the word used in the statement of the subject is churches, the meaning is understood to be denominations. The movement contemplated is a federation of churches of different denominations. Protestantism has been often criticised as the mother of numerous and warring sects. In point of fact, the sects have originated from a conjunction of three conditions. First, the vastness and many-sidedness of reality or of truth, especially of the great facts involved in religion — God, man and his destiny. Secondly, the diversity of mankind in mental aptitudes, modes of thought, constitutional and temperamental points of view and degrees of culture affecting comprehensiveness of view. Thirdly, the individual and social liberty, primarily responsible only to God, which Protestanism has always affirmed. When liberty was secured, the diversity of minds which began to consider the manifold aspects of fact and truth, brought results of many and diverse religious organizations. They were a temporary necessity of spiritual life, when life, delivered from bondage, began to manifest itself in personal activities of thought and will.

The more important organizations represented the influence of some great leader, some commonly shared type of mind, or stage of development, or some predominant modes of conception resulting from experience and culture. At first the differing bodies were more or less antagonistic. Each properly regarded truth as sacred. Each was inclined to consider the forms of truth seen by itself as of superior importance. with a tendency to think that the sum of religious truth was well-nigh included in those forms, and that whatever was in any considerable degree different must therefore be a form of error or of sin.

The centuries of investigation, discussion and Christian experience, have brought many modifications of opinion and of spirit. Especially during the last half of the nineteenth century the trend of Christian life was toward comprehensiveness of thought and unity in brotherhood. A mutual leavening, one of another, was characteristic of most of the leading denominations of Protestantism. Endeavoring better to apprehend the many-sidedness of sacred reality, men were continually approaching harmony in Christian convictions. Seeking to grasp central realities in their simplest form, they came to distinguish between essential and subordinate, between substance and form, between per-

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manent and mutable. The result has been increasing agreement respecting essential truths, with steady movement towards unity of spirit amid conceded diversity of form in minor matters of opinion, and in organization.

Under such conditions why should denominational separations continue? It is not surprising that comprehensive union in a common organization has been proposed. Evidently the time has not yet come for that, if indeed it will ever come. Unity of organization is contra-indicated so long as inharmonious diversities of conviction or of spirit continue. The interests of humanity and of Christ's kingdom may be best served by organizations that are not so large as to be clumsy, not so comprehensive as to be indeterminate in quality. It has been plainly manifest that much of the alleged desire for organic unity is nothing other than a desire to secure enlargement of one's own denomination while retaining its distinctive peculiarities.

Federation is nearer and more practicable than organic union. But it is apparent that the word has different ranges of meaning for different minds. Some think of a federal union of bodies which, for subordinate purposes, retain their existing organizations and activities, somewhat after the manner of the union of States under the general government. In the opinion of the present writer the time has by no means come for such an organization, if indeed it ever come. The comprehensive body would be another organization, when confessedly we have too many already. In our day such a body would be an incoherent conglomerate, necessarily concentrating effort upon holding itself together. It would probably generate a multitude of frictions — between the larger body and the included ones, and between the smaller bodies in their relations to one another, because brought into a close relationship for which they are not yet prepared. One of the seriously harmful tendencies of our time is to multiply organizations, to increase the number of machines until life is overwhelmed by them. We do not need a new, big mechanism, requiring no little expense to maintain it, and the toil of many laborers merely to keep all its wheels in motion; calling also for general conventions at set times, and local conventions innumerable.

What then? Again in the opinion of the present writer, as regards the relation of different denominations to one another, only two needs are as yet urgent. First, a fuller coöperation in the general work of the Kingdom of God in each community, combining the financial ability and the practical activity of the whole brotherhood of disciples in carrying on the larger operations of Christian philanthropy, and of Christian transformation in social, civil and political life. A good beginning has been made in this style of federation, but its operations may be greatly extended. Secondly, a thorough-going comity in the evangelization of regions yet unevangelized, whether in the larger cities, in the extension of home missions or in foreign missionary work. It is idle to think of any kind of federal union if we cannot first have genuine comity. If

one denomination has prior occupation of a given field, and is fairly accomplishing the work which, at the time, needs to be done in it, let other denominations keep hands off, and especially let them vigorously exclude their own sectarian zealots. Here also a beginning has been made. Perhaps two or three denominations are in good degree governed by the spirit of brotherhood as children of one Heavenly Father and disciples of one Master; governed also by a due regard to financial economies and to the largest efficiency in the world of the Church universal. But certainly the spirit of the Master is calling for a more genuine regard for his cause, for the working unity of his Church and for a renunciation of the spirit of self-seeking sectarianism.

Beyond these two forms of practical federation there have been various informal modes of association in social fellowships, in union services of various types, in more abundant ecclesiastical recognitions of brotherhood, and in other modes of breaking down division walls. All these are well whenever the union can be genuine, hearty and unforced. The great thing needful is true unity in Christ and in the Spirit. That cannot be forced, cannot even be hastened by external forms which are in the least degree artificial or premature. That is a matter of life, not of organization. It is a result of spiritual growth, of a better understanding of Christ and his salvation, a fuller participation in his spirit, a greater devotion to his kingdom. Without unity there can be no union which is worth while, but with the coming of unity union will be spontaneous. It will need no pressure of argument, no urgency of hysterical entreaty, no constraint of organization. Conventions, general or local, will seldom greatly promote it. Its coming is not with observation, but with the true increase of Divine life in the soul.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM W. ADAMS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS[1]

The Committee on Labor Organizations the past year has consisted of James G. Buttrick (chairman), Rev. F. W. Merrick (secretary), Revs. William H. Allbright, Parris T. Farwell, David Evans and Doremus Scudder, and Mr. William Shaw. Acting under instructions given by the General Association at its annual meeting at Amherst last year, the committee has made another effort to secure by legislation one rest day in seven to the employees of our transportation companies. This effort has been unsuccessful.

The first move made by the committee was to put itself in touch with

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the American Federation of Labor, a body that for several years past has put itself on record at its annual meetings, as demanding a weekly rest day for all wage-earners, and instructing its various State organizations to coöperate with all religious bodies that were seeking to secure this God-given boon to the laboring classes. A letter was accordingly addressed by our committee to the Massachusetts Branch, offering its services in an effort to secure the necessary legislation. The Federation of Labor accepted the committee's offer in the same spirit in which it was tendered, empowering its legislative committee (Frank K. Foster, chairman), to prosecute the work. The Federation leading off, and the Boston Weekly Rest Day Union and our committee on labor organizations coöperating, we went promptly to work to attain this object.

The first step taken was to prepare for circulation a copy of the desired bill, and also a form of petition for signatures, to be presented to the Legislature. It was arranged to have an interview with Governor Crane, and request him to call attention in his inaugural address to the evils of continuous toil, — evils that are rapidly increasing among the employees of our transportation companies in consequence of the recent rapid growth of the electric roads. He was asked to recommend the subject to the favorable consideration of the Legislature. Accordingly, Messrs. Foster and George E. McNeill, on behalf of the American Federation of Labor, Rev. C. A. Crane, D. D., representing the Boston Weekly Rest Day Union and Mr. Buttrick of this committee, met his excellency by appointment. The Governor received us cordially, and patiently listened to our story, each member of our delegation presenting the subject from a different standpoint. As we were leaving, he requested us to put into writing the views we had presented, that he might have them to consider at his leisure, and this we agreed to do. Later, he notified us that, although the subject was of large importance and he fully sympathized with us in the object we were endeavoring to attain, he had decided (to our regret) not to mention it in his message to the Legislature, thereby depriving us of his aid in developing that public sentiment which he thought we should labor to create in favor of our reform.

In due time the bill was introduced into the House, and (as House Bill 195) was referred to the committee on probate and chancery, A. N. Frost, of Lawrence, chairman. Later, the committee gave the petitioners a hearing, when the enactment of the bill was advocated by Revs. Allbright, Farwell, Scudder, Evans and Mr. Buttrick of our committee, and Rev. A. A. Berle, Messrs. Geo. E. McNeill and Foster of the Federation of Labor ; Messrs. Sweeney and Mulvey of the Building and Trades Council, and others. Those familiar with legislative hearings claimed that a very strong presentation of the case was made. A formidable number (forty to fifty) of employees of the Boston & Maine system, was present to antagonize the bill. The reasons urged by these men in opposition to it were substantially all based upon selfish considerations, and largely personal. And it was this opposition that de-

feated the measure. The committee reported to the House "leave to withdraw," and when we inquired of its chairman for the reason of this action, we received the following reply: "In the opinion of the committee (legislative) the passage of the one day in seven bill would be inexpedient, especially in view of the fact that it was evidently undesired by those who were most interested."

In view of the statements which have been made to different members of our committee since the "hearing," by railroad men in interviews sought by themselves, there is reason for believing that the men who appeared at the State House in opposition to our bill, were voicing the wishes of the railroad management, rather than the sentiments of the great majority of their brother workmen. The fact is, the men who want a weekly rest day do not dare appear and declare their wishes at a public hearing.

The committee mailed blank petitions to all of the 600 Congregational churches in the State, or one to each of its pastors, accompanied with the request that after signatures were obtained to the same, it should be forwarded to his representative.

Forty-three of this number of petitions have been thus forwarded, containing 1299 signatures. We trust that the interest in this great work is deeper and more extensive than these figures would indicate.

In closing this report will you please allow the committee to suggest that the Association consider the expediency of its continuance.

By vote of the committee respectfully submitted,

JAMES G. BUTTRICK, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY OBSERVANCE[1]

The committee have not found it convenient to meet together, and their correspondence in regard to the duties imposed upon them has been limited. Interested, however, in the tendencies of the hour concerning Sunday observance and to some extent watchful of them, continually laboring also to produce in their own hearts, as in all the followers of Christ, and throughout the community generally, a more vivid appreciation of the high spiritual significance of the Lord's Day, they unite in presenting the following report: —

The messengers of the churches each year come up to this holy convocation fresh from the joyful celebrations of Easter, and naturally with clear apprehension and grateful emotion concerning the wonderful providence of God in leading his Church through the ages to com-

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memorate on the first day of every week the great event which is the foundation of all our hopes, the resurrection of our Lord.

As redemption is higher than creation, so the day when Christ arose, that first day of the week when from the riven tomb he came forth to ascend up on high to lead captivity captive and to give gifts unto men, is entitled to stand forevermore as the first day of all days, for

> "God in the gospel of his Son
> Hath all his mightiest deeds outdone."

It was the first day of the week that the risen Lord again and again unveiled himself in the presence of his assembled disciples, and said: "Peace be unto you." That epiphany, that benediction, have been repeated on innumerable first days ever since, and shall be till the end of time. That vision of the risen Christ, and the peace his recognized presence imparts to believers, powerfully promote the spiritual life. "For," Jesus said, "this is the will of my Father, that everyone that beholdeth the Son, and believeth on him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." It was written concerning the first Lord's Day, "Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord," and it is the eager anticipation of the renewed refreshment such blessed experiences afford that leads the devoted Christian to say:

> "I hail thy kind return, thou day of sacred rest."

And it is the satisfaction which such exalted experiences furnish that prompts his plea,

> "Sweet day, thine hours too soon will cease,
> But while they gently roll,
> Breathe, heavenly Spirit, source of peace,
> A Sabbath to my soul."

There are several hopeful indications which encourage Christians to renew their efforts to save the Lord's Day from the hostile influences which abound in modern life.

The interest manifested in the efforts of the New England Sabbath Protective League has been cheering.

Devout souls in all ages, by all their higher experiences, have been led to "call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable." Having found it full of spiritual blessing, and realizing that it is absolutely indispensable to the welfare of society and the progress of mankind, they desire that everybody should come to appreciate its richly beneficent power. Hence there is a constant call for the aid of the indefatigable Secretary of the League, and his energetic addresses and wise counsels have met with a cordial response wherever he has gone. He has everywhere found multitudes of earnest Christians who have manifested the most loving regard for the Sabbath as a precious boon from God, whose lives furnish an inspiring example of glad and reverent observance of the Lord's Day, and who are eager to join in renewed efforts in its behalf, by the circulation of Sabbath literature, and by exerting their

influence through public meetings and in other ways, in favor of retaining and enforcing our Sunday laws.

The number of prominent laymen who come forward with their public testimony to the value of the Lord's Day, is an indication that its friends are in danger of yielding too readily to a popular clamor which falsely claims to represent the advanced thought of the day, but which is really allied to all the baser elements of society. The vicious classes have no Sabbath, nor do those who enrich themselves by promoting vice and crime. The more Sabbath observance can be broken down, the better their nefarious schemes will thrive. And it is playing into the hands of such enemies of the public good when persons in the Legislature or before legislative committees cry out against our Sunday laws as being out of place in the twentieth century, a relic of the dark ages, declare their purpose to sweep them from our statute books, and heap personal abuse on the clergymen and laymen who seek to retain those laws, calling them selfish and venal, enemies of progress.

On the contrary, it is in entire harmony with the claims of reason that the religious forces of the State, in common with those of other enlightened Christian commonwealths, have decreed that in so far as the claims of necessity and mercy allow, every man ought to be protected by law in his right to have one day in seven as a day of rest with a chance to worship. Such a rest day is a mark of advanced civilization. As men emerge from savagery, become intelligent and rise above the selfishness of sharks and shirks, they will keep the Sabbath, for the Sabbath was made for man by his Maker, as a necessity for wise living. More and more the benevolent Father of all men will see that his precious gifts are not trampled under foot. Just so far as men come to learn what wise living is, and desire to live wisely, they will enjoy the Sabbath.

Hence all friends of the Lord's Day ought to take a confident and aggressive tone, for, from the constitution of man, from God's revealed will, from the example of Christ, from the seal of divine approval on Sabbath observance, in the history of the Church, and in the elevation of social life, we learn that the keeping of one day in seven for rest and worship is the will of God. The Sabbath is a divinely ordained and permanent institution; not to observe it is to rebel against God, and that enfeebles and degrades one's character, making him a less helpful force in society, and in many ways working injury to his fellowmen. "Those long guns of the ten commandments" have never been dismounted, have never been spiked, so that whoever gets in their range — and they are long-range guns — will find the divine judgments thundering along his path.

Nearly a score of bills have been presented to the Legislature this season, all tending to break down the wholesome restrictions which have been deemed needful to guard the Lord's Day. It is a matter of sincere congratulation that nearly all of them have failed of enactment.

This result has been largely due to the numerous protests which Representatives have received from their constituents.

The Sabbath-keeping sentiment throughout the State has thus proved its strength, and shown that if it will arouse itself in each community, and bring its arguments to bear directly on its representatives in the General Court, it may defeat future endeavors to legalize Sabbath desecration. In this way in a neighboring State lately, a bill to authorize Sunday base-ball games was defeated.

Much good has been done by the watchful friends of good order who are on the alert to call attention to violations of the Sunday laws. By distributing copies of these statutes in leaflet form, and arousing public sentiment in favor of their enforcement, they have secured effective action by the proper authorities.

Further effort in this direction is encouraged by the remarkable success in some of the other New England States the past year, in closing up haunts of demoralizing Sunday dissipations, which for years have been a menace to the public peace.

The relation of the Lord's Day to the growth of religion and the promotion of national prosperity is manifest. This was set forth with great power in the recent oration of Senator George F. Hoar upon Robert Burns: "The whole secret of Scottish history, the whole secret of New England history," exclaimed the eloquent statesman, "is told in the 'Cotter's Saturday Night.'" And holding up that inimitably tender and pathetic picture of the humble worship of God, he said:

> "'From scenes like these old Scotia's grandeur springs.'

From scenes like these New England's grandeur springs. No race or nation will ever be great, or long maintain greatness, unless it holds fast to the faith in a living God, in a beneficent Providence, and in a personal immortality. Where this faith lives, are found courage, manhood, power. When this faith dies, courage, manhood and power die with it."

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GAMBLING[1]

Your committee regret to be unable to report any gain during the last year in the enforcement of the statute against pool-selling. Nevertheless, the inability to sell pools in the greater part of the Commonwealth is felt to be such an inconvenience to some of those interested, that a bill was introduced into the Legislature of this year to legalize pool-selling at races.

Along with others your Committee opposed it, at a hearing before the Committee on Agriculture, and this opposition prevailed both with the Committee and the House.

Your Committee has also endeavored to secure a better enforcement of the law on the part of constituted authorities, and these efforts made toward the close of last season, although ineffective then, contain promise and hope of more results this year.

In view of the fact that the present degree of restraint upon the sale of pools has evoked attempts to change the law for three successive seasons, we respectfully recommend the appointment by the Association of a committee to work for the maintenance and enforcement of the statutes against gambling.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE[2]

Your committee begs leave to present the following report :

At the meeting of the Association, held in Amherst last May, a vote was passed referring to this committee a petition to Congress in behalf of the so-called anti-canteen bill, with instructions to report at the next annual meeting of the Association. As is well known to the members of the Association, the prompt and emphatic action of Congress last December, by which the desired law was passed by a large majority, makes any further action on our part unnecessary. It is a matter of interest to note that nearly all the Massachusetts congressmen voted in favor of the bill.

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The duty of your committee this year seems to be largely that of outlook.

While there have been no striking changes in the temperance situation, the past year has been by no means uneventful.

In our own State several facts should be noticed. In our Legislature, few bills of either widespread interest or great importance have been presented this winter. The "semi-colon" bill, permitting the sale of liquor to guests of hotels at all hours of day or night, excited much attention, but was defeated in the Senate.

A bill was presented to the committee on liquor laws ordering the payment of the money received for liquor licenses to the State and county on the grounds that the money thus received would then be used where it would meet most effectively the expenses caused by the drink habit, and would also remove the financial inducement which seems to lead many to vote for license. Such a law has commended itself to many as a move in the right direction. The liquor-law committee, however, reported leave to withdraw.

Favorable reports are being received from all parts of the State as to the way in which the teachers of our public schools are complying with the law requiring the teaching of hygiene and temperance. There seems to be an honest effort to conform to the law.

A fact which should be thoughtfully considered is the apparent increase of the no-license sentiment throughout the State. It is especially noticeable in the large cities. In the thirty-three cities there was a net gain of 11,448, and in the three hundred and eleven towns heard from at the time of writing this report, there was a net gain of 2059 for no-license. The causes that have brought about this gain are complex. Perhaps not all of them are philanthropic. But it can fairly be attributed in large measure to an increased determination to vigorously enforce the law.

Especially encouraging is the work being accomplished by our courts and penal institutions, under the probation laws. Your committee of last year referred to it. But your present committee wishes to again call the attention of the Association to this work, because it seems worthy the careful attention and endorsement of all who are interested in temperance reform.

This probation system has three general objects: — 1. To stay the hand of the law whenever there is a well-founded reason to believe that the offender will reform if given another chance, and thus to save him at the beginning of the downward course instead of attempting his salvation amid the baneful influences of prison life, or perhaps, even later. — 2. To give the released offender a friendly monitor and adviser in the person of a representative of the law, who shall supervise his conduct during the period of probation. — 3. To secure a thorough investigation of the cases of all persons arrested, so that they may be dealt with, not on the basis of the offence merely, but on the basis of the character of the offender.

There are 67 probation officers in the State. During the year ending September 30, 1900, 6201 cases were taken on probation. Of these, 4357 were cases of drunkenness. Had these offenders been committed to prison, they would have served on the average at least three months each, which would have made their total sentence 1089 years. It is estimated that each year of such prison life would have cost the State at least $50 additional, which means that the probationary treatment of drunkenness alone not only saved the State last year $54,500, beside the cost of commitment, but nearly paid the expense of the whole probation service in the State. This is only the financial side. A much more important saving was in the self-respect of the offenders, the very great majority of whom were kept by this system from the degradation of prison service and from the habitual repetition of the offence.

By a law passed last year it is provided that the fines inflicted for drunkenness need not hereafter be paid at once, but may be earned during a period of several months, while the supervision of the probation officer continues. As soon as the fine is paid the officer dismisses the case. This provision will of itself keep many out of prison who hitherto could not have paid a fine at the time of sentence, and would therefore have had no alternative but to go to prison.

The extension of the probation system and the careful selection of the right persons for officers, will prove one of the most effective methods yet found of dealing with the vice of intemperance. Not only will it keep many out of prison; the watchful care of a kindly officer will be a constant deterrent influence, which is bound to show large results in the future.

Passing to matters of national and international interest, we should mention first the situation in the newly acquired territories of the United States. Certain newspaper reports concerning the situation in the Philippines have undoubtedly been gross exaggerations, yet the problem is evidently a serious one. The Taft commission deserves much credit for its wise administration, but it is earnestly hoped that Congress will soon enact stringent restrictive legislation.

While we cannot commend the recent movement in Kansas to suppress the saloon by violent methods, we may notice that this action has attracted the attention of the whole country to the difficulties in the way of enforcing the liquor laws, especially in States where the general sale of intoxicating liquor is prohibited. If this renewed agitation results in a more vigorous enforcement of the present laws, or in their modification along lines that will tend to greater success, it will not be altogether without good.

In other countries than our own, earnest workers are wrestling manfully with this great problem. An interesting movement in Russia is just attracting general attention. A commission consisting of very eminent men is carefully investigating the causes, effects and possible remedies for alcoholism. This committee has already submitted a plan for checking the ravages of drink in the Russian army. It includes the

suppression of all authorized selling of liquor in the army, and the providing of such harmless substitutes for the saloon as tea-houses, lecture-rooms and rational amusements. The government seems to have taken up this report heartily and vigorously. The committee proposes to extend its investigations still further. As it has the cordial support of the government it ought to accomplish much. It may be that from this eastern empire we shall learn some things of value in the practical working out of this world-wide problem.

It is a matter of congratulation to all interested in temperance that in the message of President McKinley at the opening of Congress last December, and in the recent speech of King Edward to Parliament reform temperance measures were urged. King Edward's words referred to the restriction of the evil in his own empire. President McKinley's had more immediate reference to the ratification of an international treaty placing a prohibitive tax on liquor sent to the unprotected belt of Africa. The latter recommendation was accepted by the Senate. It seems probable that similar action will soon be taken affecting all the uncivilized peoples.

One very encouraging feature of the temperance reform is the thoroughness with which the whole problem is being studied. The careful investigation being made by the committee of fifty in this country, by a similar body in England, and by the Russian commission already mentioned, indicates that the time is not far distant when we shall have a more scientific as well as a broader conception of the many elements, physiological, social, political and religious, that enter into the problem. The questions involved are far-reaching and perplexing. It is not strange that no practical method of meeting the evil has yet proven a complete success. One becomes almost appalled as he studies the many different attempts made in this country and others to secure the desired result by legislation. Prohibition, local option, company ownership, State monopoly, all fail in part, at least, in practical application.

We need not wonder that many excellent men and women differ widely as to the right methods with which to cope with the evil. In our own body of Congregational churches in Massachusetts we must expect decided differences of opinion. But we ought to frankly recognize this possibility of difference and work in harmony of spirit. Faithful agitation and judicious instruction of old and young alike are needed more than further legislation.

One factor makes the problem in States like Massachusetts peculiarly difficult, namely, the presence of a large population, many of them of foreign birth, who look with indifference or disfavor upon any efforts to materially check the sale of intoxicating liquor.

Work among such classes must be largely educational. A portion of this population the Congregational churches can reach directly. A large portion, however, is beyond our direct reach, except as we unite with those interested in temperance reform of other religious affilia-

tions. These classes are by no means neglected. Besides the direct teachings of their Church there are active and successful total abstinence societies throughout the State, which are steadily growing in numbers and are becoming a powerful factor in the temperance work.

Just now our churches need more than almost anything else to encourage, and, as far as possible, coöperate with all other temperance organizations which are working for the same end. We should stand for breadth of sympathy as well as earnestness of purpose in this as in all other lines of Christian activity.

GEORGE P. EASTMAN.
FRANCIS M. BUNDY, M. D.
EDWARD H. CHANDLER.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL STANDING[1]

Your Committee on Ministerial Standing has found abundant materials for an interesting study of this problem, but can make merely a brief report here, and close with recommendations, which in its judgment are necessary if we are to be true to the underlying principles of our denomination.

At the Chicago meeting of the National Council, 1886, the following was passed: "*Resolved*, that Congregational ministerial standing should be lodged in our associations or conferences of churches, and that our local conferences and State organizations should make such modifications of constitution as may be requisite to the assumption of so grave a responsibility." (*Minutes*, page 319.)

In accordance with this advice the Rev. H. A. Hazen presented the following motion at the Pittsfield meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, in 1894: "*Whereas*, The National Council of 1886 advised the transfer of the record and report of ministerial standing from the Associations to the Conferences, therefore, *Resolved*, that a committee of five be appointed by this Association to take the matter under consideration, correspond with the Associations of the State, and report to the next meeting of this Association." (*Minutes*, page 15.)

No record of the appointment or report of such a committee is found in the *Minutes* for 1894, or the years following.

At the Greenfield meeting, 1898 (*Minutes*, page 15), a committee was appointed to consider various memorials respecting ministerial qualifications, and reported the year following at Brockton (*Minutes*, 1899, page 109), as upon ministerial standing, but did not touch the matter in consideration, as recommended by the National Council in question.

[1] See page 11.

No action has as yet been taken by this body upon that recommendation. Meantime the necessity for action has not passed away, but has become more imperative in view of the action of other bodies, and the very principles of Congregationalism.

The report of this committee is therefore limited to a consideration of the question, "What body or bodies should properly be responsible for the standing of a Congregational minister?"

The full answer to this question can be found only in the histories of the Congregational Church and its polity; in impartial presentations of the origin of the Christian Church and its ministry; in the proceedings of certain important councils; and in special papers on the principles of Congregationalism. A good brief account is found in the *Minutes* of the National Council for 1886, Chicago, pages 312–321. The question is brief but its answer is a chapter in Church history, as interpreted by the progress of the Congregational Church, a chapter which involves the entire polity and principles of Congregationalism.

In Congregational churches outside the United States, and in Congregational churches in the United States outside New England, ministerial standing is in the Conferences (or Associations, as the term sometimes is,) of Churches. In New England a peculiar condition of things exists, — in general ministerial standing is in the Associations of Ministers, which grant license, and hold that authority which is elsewhere assigned to the Conferences of Churches. In New Hampshire, however, and in the North Brookfield Association in our own State, this has seemed so discordant with conditions outside New England and so antagonistic to the Congregational conception of the Church and its ministry, that ministerial standing has been changed, as recommended by the National Council, from the Association of Ministers to the Conferences of Churches. There should be uniformity in this regard throughout the denomination. Not only in the interest of harmony with the large body of churches elsewhere, but in conformity with the historical polity and development of Congregationalism, your committee is agreed that this Association should make such changes and recommendations as will serve to bring the usage in this State into line with that prevailing outside New England.

Your committee recommends, therefore, that, before the first of September, 1901, this Association, through its Secretary, address the several Ministerial Associations of Massachusetts through their scribes, the following letter: — "The General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts to the ——— Ministerial Association, Greeting: In accordance with the advice of the National Council it is recommended by the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts at Andover assembled, that ministerial standing be transferred from the Associations of Ministers to the Conferences of Churches. To this end we advise that the ——— Ministerial Association at its next meeting consider the subject of ministerial

standing and recommend to the ——— Conference of Churches that it hereafter assume this responsibility. It is further desired by the General Association that this change be made and reported to the Secretary of this body by all the Associations and Conferences through the State before the meeting of the General Association to be held in May, 1903. Wishing you grace, mercy and peace.

Signed, ———, Secretary of the General Association."

On receipt of these reports, we recommend that the General Association pass such motion as may be deemed advisable.

All of which we respectfully submit.

Signed by the Committee,

M. A. BREED.
A. E. DUNNING.
J. A. MacCOLL.
W. A. BARTLETT.
W. C. GORDON.

REPORT ON MISSIONARY WORK[1]

I. Basis.

At the meeting of The National Council in 1898, a committee on missionary work of fifteen members was appointed, whose duty should be "to use all possible efforts to secure the appointment of similar committees in the States and Conferences throughout our country, to devise plans for promptly paying the debt of every society and for such increased gifts as shall make it possible to enlarge our work at home and abroad."

The report of this committee, known as "The Report of the Committee of Fifteen," with the general title, "The Missionary Work of Congregational Churches," was published in the Congregationalist in May, 1899, and reprinted from that paper for general circulation. In it the committee say that the one thing to be held in view as the standard of effort is "to secure annually for each of our six societies an offering from every church, and a gift from every member." It urged the importance of a "forward movement," to the extent of a total increase in the gifts for these societies of $400,000 above the former total of $1,200,000; and recommended that committees on missionary work be chosen: —

"*First*, by each State Association, a committee composed of one from each Conference.

"*Second*, by each local Conference, a committee of such number that each member shall be responsible for not more than five churches.

[1] See page 12.

"*Third*, by each church, a committee to make some plan, best suited to itself, for systematic giving."

At the meeting of this Association held at Brockton two years ago, due action was taken in approval of the report and in furtherance of its aims; and it was recommended that a sub-committee of one be appointed by each of the local Conferences to co-operate with the Committee of Fifteen in securing the proposed increase of gifts. The Congregationalist of the following week spoke editorially of the recommendation as follows: —

"The work of 'the Committee of Fifteen' is likely to be vigorously undertaken if the Conferences choose carefully the persons to lead in it. . . . No more important matter than this is now before our churches. Our benevolences may be systematized, enlarged and quickened for a generation if the right steps *are taken now.*"

By this action, as well as by the recommendation of the report itself, the subject was referred to the local Conferences; and for the accomplishment of the ends proposed it was left — where it still is — in their hands.

II. What Has Been Done.

What has been the record of these two years on the part of the Conferences in respect to the matter thus referred to them? What has been done in the way of practical compliance with the recommendations of the Committee of Fifteen, as indorsed by this body? This is the critical question.

The answer to it would seem to be on the whole fairly indicated by a campaign document somewhat largely circulated in Scotland during a certain election contest. The document was entitled, "Political Achievements of the Earl of Dalkeith." It was neatly gotten up, but when opened was found to contain thirty blank pages.

Either from failure in bringing the subject in definite form before the Conferences, or for some other reason, the achievements relative to the proposed plan seem to be conspicuous in a large degree by their absence. It does not appear that anything other than casual and exceptional has as yet been done. A meeting of the State Committee, made up, according to the design, of one from each Conference, was held in Boston, April 8; and up to that time there was no evidence that more than a small minority of the Conferences had taken any action whatever. But one or two of them were formally represented; and six or seven others by gentlemen bearing no official appointment. In fact, so far as then known, but three or four Conferences had initiated systematic effort toward the desired increase of support for the six societies; and this action had been introduced, without request or memorial, in a purely voluntary way, by individuals in those Conferences.

At a meeting of the State Committee held this afternoon, an improved state of thing was evidenced in the fact that since the meeting of April 8, a few Conferences had taken formal action.

III. The Things to be Done.

The Committee of Fifteen suggested that in order to raise the $1,600,000 needed from the whole country for the six societies, Massachusetts increase her gifts ten per cent. Your committee find that in endeavoring to ascertain the proportion of this ten per cent. increase desired from each Conference and each church, the figures of the "Year-Book" are so misleading that no just calculation can possibly be made. We therefore submit the second recommendation appended to our report. Meantime, shall we not proceed to ORGANIZE EVERY CONFERENCE and every church in such a way as to secure an annual gift from every church member to each of the six societies?

We suggest therefore: —

(1) The appointment by each Conference of a committee of such number that each member shall be responsible for not more than five churches. The work of this committee would naturally be to awaken the churches to a sense of relative or proportional responsibility in the matter of giving, and to aid them in such ways as may be open toward the end in view.

Why may not such a committee, for such a service, be appointed by each Conference, in the spirit of the suggestion of this body two years ago, if this has not yet been done? Why may there not easily be found in each Conference the right man to lead in this matter?

(2) Let there be the appointment by each church of a committee to make some plan best suited to itself, for systematic giving; whereby to secure an annual offering, including a gift from every member, for each of the six societies.

IV. Conclusion.

We have thus endeavored simply to suggest in some measure our general relations to the report of the Committee of Fifteen. Can we at present do better than to follow in the path marked out by this committee? We emphasize this as a matter of proper and important *esprit de corps*. Even if it shall be to give less to miscellaneous causes which ask our help, let us make it a determined aim as Conferences and churches, to meet the needs of the six societies. In the name and spirit of a self-commending and commanding loyalty, why should we not respond heartily to the voice of opinion and recommendation uttered through its committee by the National Council?

We present the following recommendations: —

(1) That the nominating committee at this meeting be instructed to present the name of one member from each conference, to constitute a committee on missionary giving, to co-operate with the National Council Committee of Fifteen.

(2) That the State Association adopt the proposed change in the blank schedule for gathering statistics from the churches, and memorialize the National Council to take similar action.

Respectfully submitted, for the Committee,

GEORGE A. TEWKSBURY, *Chairman*.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF THE RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION[1]

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This body shall be called the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT.

1. Its object is to promote (a) intercourse and fellowship between Congregational ministers and churches of the Commonwealth; (b) the co-operation of the churches with one another for their mutual comfort and development, and for the religious care of the home field; (c) the co-operation of this body with other ecclesiastical bodies for the general increase of Christian union and spiritual efficiency, and the advancement of Christ's kingdom in the earth.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERS.

1. Each evangelical Congregational Church, Conference, and Association in this Commonwealth may choose one delegate, and these delegates, together with the pastors of the churches (who shall be members *ex-officio*), and the officers of this body, shall constitute the General Association.

2. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach before the Association, and chairmen of committees who attend to present reports, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit, shall be honorary members, with the privilege of speaking, but without vote.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

1. The officers shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, a Secretary, a Registrar, an Assistant Registrar, and a Treasurer. All members of Congregational churches in this Commonwealth shall be eligible to any of these offices. The officers shall be elected by ballot, the moderator and vice-moderator each to serve one year, the other officers each to serve three years, and until the election of their successors. The term of all officers, save when chosen to fill vacancies, shall begin at the close of the meeting at which they are elected.

2. The officers, together with three delegates annually chosen by ballot for this purpose, shall constitute an Executive Committee.

3. The moderator, or in his absence, the vice-moderator, shall preside over all the meetings of the Association and shall be chairman of the Executive Committee.

4. (a) The Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Asso-

[1] See page 20.

ciation, collect and publish in connection with the Annual Minutes the statistics of ministers and churches, distribute the publications of the Association, copies of which he shall preserve for permanent use, give suitable notice to the churches of the time and place of each annual meeting, and fulfil such other functions as the Association may from time to time direct.

(b) The Secretary shall receive a salary of $, and by the authority and under the direction of the Executive Committee, he may, when necessary, employ an assistant, at a compensation to be fixed by the Executive Committee.

5. The Registrar shall keep a full record of each meeting, which he shall preserve as the permanent property of the Association, and he shall also keep the minutes of the Executive Committee.

6. The Assistant Registrar shall aid the Registrar in making the records ; shall take his place during his absence ; and, in the event of a vacancy in the Registrar's office, shall act as Registrar until the office shall be filled by the Executive Committee or by a regular election.

7. The Treasurer shall receive all money raised for the use of the Association, disburse the same as directed by the Executive Committee, and shall make an annual report, to be audited as the Association may direct.

8. The Executive Committee shall have charge of all the interests and business of the Association between the annual meetings, shall fill all vacancies occurring during the interim, and shall make an annual report to the Association through the Secretary.

9. The travelling expenses of the Secretary, Registrar, Assistant Registrar and Treasurer, in attending the annual meetings, shall be paid by the Association.

ARTICLE V.—ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting shall be held at the appointed place on the third Tuesday of May at two o'clock P. M., or at such other hour as the Executive Committee may find expedient.

ARTICLE VI.—ORGANIZATION.

The Moderator, or in his absence, the Vice-Moderator, shall call the Association to order. In the absence of both, any member of the Executive Committee may call the Association to order, and a Moderator *pro tem.* shall be chosen to serve during the absence of the proper officer.

ARTICLE VII.—COMMITTEES.

1. Immediately after the opening of the annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint.

(a) A Committee on Credentials, to which all credentials shall be referred.

(b) A Committee on Nominations, which shall nominate all the officers of the Association, all standing committees, as hereinafter provided, and all other committees raised by the Association.

(c) A Committee on Business, of which two shall be chosen from the Provisional Committee. The duty of the Business Committee shall be to prepare and present the schedule of business for each session, and no business shall be introduced except through the hands or with the approval of this Committee; provided, however, that if the Business Committee shall decline to present any matter proposed by a member of this Association he shall have the right of appeal to the Association.

(d) A Budget Committee of three, which shall report before the close of the meeting on the state of the treasury, the amount of money needed for the ensuing year, and ways and means for meeting the need.

2. The following Standing Committees shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations: (a) a Provisional Committee, of which the Secretary or Registrar shall be a member. This committee shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting, selecting the preacher of the annual sermon, and the various speakers for each session.

(b) A Publication Committee, of which the Secretary and Registrar shall be members, which shall make provision for the printing of such documents and papers as may be necessary in the work of the Association, or shall be ordered printed by the Association. Under the direction of this committee the Secretary shall have charge of all the printing of the Association.

(c) A Committee on the Work of the Churches. This committee shall report on the work of the churches and the state of religion in the Commonwealth. The scribes of the local conferences shall be corresponding members of this committee.

(d) A Committee on Home Missions.

(e) A Committee on Pastoral Supply.

(f) A Committee on Ministerial Standing.

(g) A committee to nominate candidates for corporate membership of the American Board.

3. Each of these committees, save as otherwise provided above, shall consist of five members, and shall be elected annually by *viva voce* vote, all, save those named by the moderator, to serve the ensuing year.

4. All reports of standing committees, except committees (a), (b), (f) and (g), shall be furnished to the Secretary on or before April 1st, of each year, and shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the annual meeting.

These reports shall not be read to the Association save by special order; but the Provisional Committee may arrange for the adequate discussion of any or all of the topics presented in the reports.

ARTICLE VIII. — Special Orders.

1. Each session of the annual meeting shall be opened and closed with divine worship.

2. On each morning of the annual meeting, after the first day, the

minutes of the preceding day shall be read; the minutes of the last day shall be read immediately before the final adjournment.

3. On Tuesday evening of each annual meeting, the annual sermon shall be preached, followed by the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The Church with which the Association meets, is requested to make provision for the latter service.

4. The place of the next annual meeting shall be recommended each year by the Business Committee and designated by vote of the Association.

ARTICLE IX. — RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order shall be those of common parliamentary usage, subject to the following specifications : —

1. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Association.

2. When a question is before the Association, the moderator shall entertain motions only as follows: to adjourn, to table, for the previous question, to postpone to a fixed time, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely; these several motions shall have precedence in the foregoing order.

ARTICLE X. — AMENDMENTS.

1. Any of the above rules, except the first three, may be amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote, provided that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted to the Association in writing on the day previous.

2. Either of the first three rules may be amended by a two-thirds vote, but only after the proposed amendment has been submitted to the Association in writing at the previous annual meeting, and notice has been sent to the several Associations, Conferences and Churches connected with this body at least one month prior to the meeting at which action is to be taken.

PHILLIP S. MOXOM.
DEWITT S. CLARK.
W. T. FORBES.
A. S. CUMNOCK.
W. L. TENNEY.

REPORT OF BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY[1]

REV. CHARLES B. RICE, SECRETARY.

The Congregational Board of Pastoral Supply respectfully presents to the General Association of Massachusetts its seventh annual report:

The Board holds regular meetings on the first Monday of each second month beginning from February. Special meetings are held as occasion may require. The Directors give careful attention to all matters relating to the policy of the Board, and to the general methods of its administration. Questions of particular practical difficulty are brought before them for consideration and decision.

During the year ending at the first of May we have rendered service in matters connected with pastoral settlements to one hundred and sixty-six churches. Of these there were in Massachusetts 88, in Maine 10, in New Hampshire 14, in Vermont 14, in Rhode Island 4, in Connecticut 8, in New York 6, in Pennsylvania 2, in Maryland 1, in Florida 2, in Kentucky 1, in Tennessee 2, in Ohio 4, in Indiana 1, in Illinois 1, in Michigan 1, in Iowa 3, in California 1, in Washington 2, and in Nova Scotia 1.

The number is larger than in any former year. We count here nothing except that which has been done in direct response to requests from official representatives of churches. We do not include consultations held with members or friends of members of churches or societies without official positions, and we do not reckon here any furnishing of occasional or temporary supplies. It is not meant that pastoral settlements corresponding to the number of churches thus given have been directly brought about in connection with the work of our office; but distinct official consultations relative to the filling of the pastorate have taken place to the extent thus indicated.

The number of actual settlements in which we have had a direct and important share has been fifty-six. In very many additional cases our part in the work, though indirect, has been important, and has been recognized as valuable.

Many consultations have been had with ministers with respect to the acceptance of calls, or with respect to a change of pastorate, which have been followed by important results, but of which no reckoning has been made.

Opportunities for preaching have been furnished during the year directly from the office to 190 men; of these men 96 were candidates for settlement. In many cases the opportunities thus furnished were

[1] See page 14.

several times repeated. The whole number of occasional supplies furnished amounts to 372. This does not include at all the preaching of candidates, nor the preaching of men who have supplied for a limited but considerable period of time in one place, which is an important additional item, and it does not include the preaching of the secretary. As thus defined, the average weekly number of occasional supplies has been about six and four-fifths. During the months from November to April, inclusive, it was but three and four-fifths. The number of men ready to preach has been many times greater.

It will thus be seen that as a means of support such occasional supplying offers but a scanty resource. It is intended that the distribution of these supplies should be made as widely and evenly as possible, and a preference is always given, whenever it may be, to ministers who are without regular employment. But many things hinder any absolute evenness of distribution. The churches themselves, in very many instances, indicate a preference of their own, or they give specific directions which exclude men who would otherwise be sent. Then the men who are directly at hand have, of necessity, and without any purpose on our part that it should be so, a certain advantage, since the calls for supplies come to us very often late in the week, and must be met at once. Yet it is important to observe, as bearing in a contrary direction, that ministers living at a considerable distance from Boston, and in centres of business and population, as at Worcester or Springfield, do undoubtedly find more frequent opportunities for preaching than they would find in the immediate neighborhood of Boston. The reason is that the number of men ready to furnish the preaching is relatively so much less.

The secretary has preached forty-eight Sundays of the year. The number last year was the same. The average pay for preaching has been $10.28 for the Sunday. Last year it was $10.68. It seems, therefore, that while the number or quantity of the sermons preached has been maintained, the value or quality has fallen off 3¾ per cent.,—and many of these sermons are, in fact, old and much worn. The average distance from Boston of the places visited by the secretary was about 47½ miles, and the total distance travelled about 4,550 miles.

Of the whole number of churches conferring with us in matters relating to the pastorate there were 24 having a membership of over 300; 51 having a membership of from 100 to 300; and 91 with a membership of less than 100. Of these churches 19 pay a salary of over $2,000; 53 a salary of between $1,000 and $2,000; and 94 a salary of less than $1,000. The number of the smaller churches predominates; but these are the churches that stand most in need of such help as we endeavor to furnish.

It is to be noted that one-seventh of the whole number of Congregational churches in Massachusetts — considerably more than one-seventh of all the English-speaking Congregational churches — have been in correspondence with our office during this one year.

The number of churches in Massachusetts now without pastors is reckoned by us as 41. Of these there are 3 that have made no effort recently to secure pastors.

The account of Mr. Charles E. Swett, treasurer of the Board, is as follows: —

EXPENSES.

Postage	$80 26
Telegrams	5 36
Travelling expenses	83 07
Stationery and printing	38 08
Rent and care of room	288 60
Advertising	31 20
Filing case	47 00
Telephone	16 75
Sundries	3 90
Salary of secretary's assistant	450 00
Salary of the secretary	2,000 00
	$3,044 22
Balance due April 30, 1900	639 25
	$3,683 47

RECEIPTS.

Preaching by secretary	$493 26
Office fees	423 93
Special gifts from the churches	44 47
Bequest of Mrs. Lucy Herrick	166 20
H. P. Emerson, treasurer	2,139 29
Balance due April 30, 1900	416 32
	$3,683 47

A part of the bequest of Mrs. Herrick was used in the purchase of a filing cabinet which was much needed, it being known that the furnishing of the office, as well as the whole work of the Board, had been a matter of interest to the maker of the bequest. Substantially the whole equipment of the office from the first has been provided for by individual gifts at an expense of more than $450.

We appreciate fully the need of carefulness and economy in all expenditures. At the time of the establishment of the Board by the General Association the churches were asked to contribute, for its maintenance, a sum equal to three cents for each church member. This was afterward changed to what was reckoned an equivalent sum in the form of a percentage upon salaries. Last year the request was for two cents only from each church member. The cost of the Board has not been greater than was counted on at first, but much less. Except for the debt, and at the present rate of office expenditures and receipts, a sum less than two cents for each church member would serve the purpose.

But in view of the remaining debt, we recommend that a contribution of two cents for each church member be asked for for the coming year.

It is to be remembered that less than three years ago the Board was in debt to the secretary more than $3,400. This debt has been embarrassing both to our treasury and to that of the General Association. It is now nearly paid.

Some further gain in receipts from office fees may be expected. The present rates, which were modified in accordance with the instructions of the Association a year ago did not go into effect in time to cover the entire year, which dated indeed from before the meeting of the Association.

At present a fee is charged to all ministers for all occasional supplying, and also for aid in securing pastoral settlements outside of Massachusetts, and for all opportunities to preach as candidates for settlement, and to all ministers living outside the State there is a charge for opportunities to preach as candidates in Massachusetts. But this charge is not made within the State to Massachusetts ministers. And no charge for settlement in Massachusetts is made to any minister.

The clear, original purpose of separating from all commercial considerations the recommendations of ministers for Massachusetts churches has been kept. The churches maintain the Board, and the churches, first of all, are served. Outside the State, although fees are taken from ministers for pastoral settlements effected, yet it is meant that the fixed Massachusetts usage of regarding first the churches should give tone to all that is done.

The fact remains, as it has been from the first, that the amounts received from outside the State are very inadequate as compared with the service rendered. Where men are distinctly and originally proposed from our office as candidates there is no difficulty in collecting whatever may be due. But very often inquiries are made of us concerning men whose names are already before the church, and, if a settlement follows, it is not easy to know what share in the result may belong to us, and it is not quite pleasant to enter into any such discussion. When men are sent to missionary fields — even important fields in the far West — we seldom collect the regular fee, partly because the negotiation passes from us into other hands, partly because the cost of reaching these fields is large, and it is difficult to find competent men ready to go, and partly because it is pleasant to aid in the missionary work, and it seems suitable to do it.

This matter has been referred to in former reports, and we have understood that you were not unwilling that we should be helpful to our brethren in other States to an extent beyond what might be covered by direct payments from them. Our large work beyond the lines of the State has been marked always by most pleasant features, and it certainly has been the occasion, at least, for the cherishing of many brotherly thoughts toward yourselves. Besides, it is to be remembered that

while the pay received for this work is proportionally small, yet the additional expense which it involves for us is not great, and it is clearly to our advantage to do the work.

Within the State, the collection of fees has not been without some embarrassments. The secretary is allowed some liberty in the remitting of fees chargeable to ministers who travel long distances and who receive very small sums and who are themselves in much need of whatever they may earn. The income of the Board might be somewhat increased by a stricter policy in this respect, if that were thought to be advisable and necessary. It has been often wished in the office that some considerate person would provide a sum equal to these remitted fees by which the revenues of the office might be maintained and these brethren relieved.

Many supplies have been furnished in behalf of ministers disabled by illness, and for this service, most pleasing to render, no charge has been made. There have usually been at hand ministers ready to give help to their brethren in such need for a sum much less than would ordinarily be paid, or frequently for their travelling expenses only, and sometimes for no return, even for the cost of the journey.

Our work could not be carried on effectively with less help. The office is kept open by the assistant during the absence of the secretary on preaching trips and on other occasions, greatly to the public convenience. And her faithful and careful service in the keeping of the records and in many other directions is of indispensable value. The office is not for anyone a place of idleness. The correspondence is very large, and the daily calls for business are many. The secretary is in the office ordinarily for nearly eight hours of the day, with no absence at noon. He takes, usually, an annual vacation extending from noon of Monday to the middle of the day on Saturday, or perhaps on Friday, of one week. In one year only has this absence reached to eight days. The average has not been six. Two Sundays only during the seven years have been distinctly withdrawn for purposes of rest. On the other Sundays — not many in number — when he has not preached, it has been only because the opportunity has not offered. The work has been with much variety and with many satisfactions, but not in such smallness of amount as would admit of any lessening of time to be bestowed upon it. The life of the secretary may be much cheered by dissipation, but it is not much soothed by idleness.

The advantages connected with the present method of support for the Board have been fully set forth in former reports. These advantages are in the lines of complete responsibility, of publicity, of thoroughness and of safety. The work done in some other States on a different basis has been observed with interest and with the utmost friendliness. There is nowhere, on either side, the shadow of rivalry. But this work has not thus far been largely developed except in the State of Illinois. It is too early to pronounce positively upon the bearing

of these other experiments with respect to the form or forms that may finally be adopted. We believe that for purposes of helpful comparison, as well as for other reasons, our brethren in these other States would heartily wish that our own plan of support and work should be maintained and strengthened. In Vermont the State committee, by direct vote of the convention appointing it, is in close correspondence and co-operation with us. We make a report to the committee of whatever we do in that State. The general interest in our work is indicated by the large correspondence with us of committees in other States and of representatives of other denominations.

We are not suffered to forget the difficulty and delicacy of the work intrusted to us, and the mischiefs that might follow from carelessness or error. To officials of churches conferring with us respecting ministers we are obliged to speak, so far as we speak at all, with truthfulness; but we do not mean to speak in wantonness or unkindness. Matters not pleasing or not hopeful, if they must be referred to, are touched upon as lightly as possible. Commonly they are not mentioned, and they appear only, so far as they appear at all, in the form of some tempering of the favorable statements made. Letters of a damaging nature, which we may have received, are never put into the hands even of church committees, nor, most assuredly, of any other person. Statements, in any measure unfavorable, which we may be compelled to frame ourselves, never go from our office except in reply to direct inquiries from committees of churches having a right to the knowledge. They are never sent where they are not asked for. They are, in fact, seldom sent anywhere, though sometimes they must be sent. A far more frequent function of our office is to protect ministers from injurious and unjust reports. Hostile statements from some individual whom the minister has offended, or who, for some cause, does not like him, may often go widely about. If inquiry is then made of us, though we may have had the same report, yet having also the unlike, fairer and weightier judgments of other men, we can put aside the evil rumor. We do not think it can admit of the least doubt that, so far as the statements from our office reach, the general result is distinctly to lessen the effect of wilful or heedless reports of evil. While this is true, at the same time the course of ministerial adventurers, without standing, is shortened or held in check by our work.

Care is constantly taken to give aid to ministers of that large and most honorable class whose worthiness as pastors exceeds their showiness as candidates; and the record of such men is set forth with fulness.

It is understood that the office is expected to give, not the judgment distinctly of a minister's particular friends, nor still less the judgment of his enemies, if he has any, nor the secretary's merely personal judgment, but the general or average judgment of fair-minded persons, who have had opportunities of knowledge. Following this general testimony recommendations are often given of a favorable nature beyond

what the secretary's personal opinions or impressions would have justified; and recommendations have been held back or qualified in tone where the secretary, speaking from merely his own opinions or feelings, would have gone further.

In every case the welfare of the church conferring with the office is meant to be kept first in mind. No letter is ever written, and no statement is ever made with a purpose primarily of assisting any man to obtain a settlement. It may be altogether proper for others to do this, but it is not proper for us. This imperative rule of action, which requires that the churches should first be considered, is also, in the end, and in its general working, the best for our brethren themselves, the ministers of the churches. That the churches are recognizing the value of the impartial service thus attempted to be rendered would seem to be shown by the very large and increasing extent to which they make use of the office.

It is a matter of the first importance that the work of the office is subject, in every part, to responsible control. Every appointment for preaching that has ever been made, whether in the way of occasional supplying, or with reference to settlement, is entered upon duplicate records, easily and quickly traced. Except for a space at the opening of the office, every letter addressed to the committee of a church concerning any minister has been preserved exactly as it was sent. And letters have been sent wherever men have gone with thought of settlement. If the secretary has shown favor unfairly to his relations, or personal friends, or to the members of the Association to which he belongs, or to any clique or group of men about the Congregational House, or to any section or wing of the denomination anywhere, or if he has withheld opportunities fairly due to any man in comparison with others, or if he has spoken unfairly to the disadvantage of any man, the evidence of the wrong is at hand. If the secretary should be disposed to put aside, or put off, any proposed authoritative examination of the records and doings of the office, or if he should fail to give aid in any such examination, or if, while any such investigation was in progress, he should seem to be uncheerful and sullen, beyond what is natural to him, any of these things should be taken as signs of guilt, and another man should be set to do the business.

There is no thought at all that our work is free from mistakes. Mistakes must be many. But there is the claim of a desire to avoid them, and of intended and systematic openness to exposure and correction. And we are sure it will be understood that this openness to observation, and this subjection everywhere to obligation and responsibility, is, in reality, a main source of satisfaction and comfort in an office not wholly without its burdens.

It is understood that the directors are always ready to hear and to consider any matters that anyone may desire to bring before them affecting the administration of the office. The pointing out of errors of

any sort, or the indication of better methods that may be followed, will be heartily welcomed.

It is probable that the secretary may sometimes lose from sight and from mind brethren whom he may suppose to have made engagements which have not in fact been made. It is hoped that in every case ministers will be free to notify the office of their wishes. These notifications are not at all to be looked upon as in the line of the asking of favors. They are in the exercise of a clear and important public right.

It is likely, too, that our Board may often be credited or discredited for more than it really does, or omits to do. The mysteries of Providence will not, we trust, be altogether attributed to the maladministrations of our office.

We have constant acquaintance with the trying conditions in which many of our brethren in the ministry are placed. And we have constant painful experience of our inability to afford any relief. We fear it must often appear to our brethren that we have been unconcerned or neglectful respecting them. It can scarcely be possible that anyone not actually conversant with the daily business of the office should adequately measure the difficulties that hinder the effort to serve these brethren according to what they deserve and properly desire. The desirable places open for settlement bear no comparison to the numbers of men ready to fill them.

The pressure upon us is due in part to the desire of ministers in other portions of the country to find settlements in New England. So far as the influence from our Board has reached, the effect has certainly been not to accelerate, but to hinder the drift in this direction. Discouraging statements are continually made to those who have in mind the coming to us, and little help, comparatively, has been given them. It may probably be true that we have failed to afford them the fair measure of assistance to which they have been entitled. Many of these ministers are as much the men of New England by birth or kinship or training as we who are now on the ground. If for any reason life here is reckoned as a privilege, and life elsewhere as in any measure a hardship in comparison, then the men who have had, thus far, at a distance, the years of hardship, might seem to be entitled at least to an equal chance with those who have had thus far the years of privilege only. But the practice of our office has scarcely followed these lines of apparent fairness.

The disparity between the numbers of men and the desirable places of settlement has increased in these recent years. The increase is chiefly due to the general fall in salaries, which has, by no means, come wholly to an end. The decline has been most marked with the smaller churches, or with those of a medium grade. It has thus fallen most heavily upon those least able to bear it. The general effect has been to bring discomfort upon those whose salaries have been reduced, and at the very same time to diminish the number of other places which might offer a

prospect of relief. The trouble is thus not so much that in this part of the country ministers are more numerous than churches, but it is that ministers are more numerous than desirable churches which offer a fair means of support.

With the smaller churches the conditions are reversed. And it is often difficult to find competent men who can be engaged for the inadequate sums that are to be paid. It is not easy to see how families can be maintained, and the appliances of study provided with resources so small.

The most earnest effort ought to be made to arrest, and, if possible, to reverse this downward movement in the payment of the ministry. In many cases some relief might be given by improvements in the condition and furnishing of the parsonages, or in the providing of parsonages where there are none. In many of our country towns there is a returning stream of wealth from the children of the place whose homes are now in the cities, showing itself in elegant summer residences, or in beautiful buildings for public libraries. Something of it might well be turned to the improvement and the permanent maintenance of the homes of the pastors of the churches, to which these children of the place owe, themselves, so much. The stronger churches, too, might fittingly furnish, through the missionary societies, more of help in the comfortable supporting of the churches that are weak.

It is a peculiar trial with the minister that when means of support fail in one field, or when serious dissatisfactions arise, he must so often change his place of life. This does not usually occur with men of any other calling. In the midst of misfortunes they keep their homes. But the minister moves with his wife and his children. Sometimes he goes out not knowing whither he is to go. There may be a ministerial unrest, which is to be deplored. But it is also to be inquired whether, on the other side, with more of patience, and more of kindness, and more of hopefulness, and more of helpfulness, there might often be spared to the pastor the depressing pains of removal. Wherever the exercise of these Christian graces may lead to such a result, the pastor and the church may prosper the more together. The work of our Board is much with pastoral changes, but the desires of our hearts are for pastoral rest and comfort and continuance.

REPORT OF THE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE[1]

Your committee in presenting its brief report desire to give expression to the sense of loss they have sustained during the year in the death of their chairman, the honored Rev. Henry A. Hazen.

In arranging for the printing of the "Advance Reports" of the various committees, as ordered by the Association, both money and time are saved by contracting for the publishing of the "Minutes" in connection with the printing of these reports. Your committee, therefore, secured bids for the whole work from several well-known printers of Boston and placed the contract with the lowest bidders, Messrs. Mills & Knight of that city, at a figure considerably below the cost of the work last year as well as below *this* year's bid of the firm who have had for several years the printing of both the "Year-Book" and the "Minutes."

The fact that thirty pages of both the "Year-Book" and the "Minutes" are identical—the pages of the "Statistics of the Churches,"—made possible, it seemed to your committee, another reduction of expense. Conferring therefore with the Publishing Committee of the National Council *your* committee secured from them permission to make such arrangement as we might be able to make with their printers for the use of the type of the thirty pages of statistics already set up for the "Year-Book." By this means we have saved another considerable item of expense, and it seems to your committee that, in the future, through co-operation on the part of the Publishing Committee of the National Council, a still larger amount may be saved the Association. The total sum which we expect to save this year over last is at least $200.

Your committee have also made arrangements by which, if they are desired, *extra* copies of the "Statistics of the Churches" *simply*, can be furnished at the rates of $20.00 per 1,000 or $40.00 per 5,000.

Your committee would recommend, *first*, that this Association, through its delegates to the National Council, memorialize that body to consider the question of co-operating with the Publishing Committees of the various State Associations in printing the "Statistics of the Churches," to the end of reducing the expense of the publication of these statistics. *Second*, that this Association communicate its action in the matter, if favorable, to the several State Associations.

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[1] See page 22.

AN HISTORICAL RETROSPECT[1]

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The close of the eighteenth century seems to mark an epoch in our ecclesiastical history chiefly because it follows so closely upon the readjustment of political and social conditions which the Revolutionary struggle rendered necessary. Under constitutional guarantees of religious freedom, with the certainty that no particular form of Christianity could ever gain the artificial advantage of establishment by the federal government, and with the natural consequence of the free church system already within sight, viz., the downfall of such quasi-state churches as lingered on for a few years longer in New England, the various denominations at once took on new life and put forth splendid energy. It is at this important period that the churches became organized, apart from that European dependence which some of them had hitherto been forced to maintain. They all awoke to the consciousness that vast tracts of new territory were open for their possession. No doubt they also felt the spur of sectarian competition, — but this is not always an evil. They girded themselves for a vigorous conflict with the demoralizing results of war, with the new problems arising from independence, and with that foreign importation of irreligion, which was one of the most striking gifts of France to American culture. Among the Protestants no other church responded more readily to the demands of the time than did that calling itself Congregational. Indeed, the churches of our order have more than once had occasion to felicitate themselves on what Leibnitz would call the "pre-established harmony" between their polity and the governmental structure of the republic. Congregationalism certainly felt at home in the United States.

Let us recall a few of our great names at the turn of the century. Joseph Bellamy had been dead some ten years. Jonathan Edwards, the younger, who shines largely by reflected light, died in Schenectady in 1801. In 1803 came the death of Samuel Hopkins, of Newport, who loved "being in general" too well to suffer the interference of any narrower love. Two highly honored theologians (to name no others) were in the prime of their usefulness: Nathaniel Emmons, of Franklin, the educator of nearly one hundred ministers, by the laboratory method, and Timothy Dwight, of New Haven, whose system of theology would bear preaching (a rare distinction), and who thereby also trained ministers. Nathaniel W. Taylor was a boy of fifteen, and Charles G. Finney only nine years of age, — both to become valiant soldiers of the Con-

[1] See page 15.

gregational church militant, in what the shorter catechism would call their "several places and relations."

Party lines between conservative and liberal had already begun to be pretty clearly drawn, but there was as yet no schism of the Unitarians. W. E. Channing was installed as pastor of the Federal-street church, Boston, in 1803. The *Monthly Anthology* was started in the autumn of the same year. In 1805, J. S. Buckminster became pastor of the Brattle-street church, and Henry Ware was elected Hollis Professor of Divinity in Harvard College. On the Orthodox side, we may recall the establishment of *The Panoplist* (1805), the foundation of Andover Seminary (1808), the installation of a Trinitarian minister, Joshua Huntington, at the Old South Church (1808), and the organization of Park-street Church (1809), where Edward Dorr Griffin became pastor two years later.

Within the ranks of orthodoxy also there were differences of opinion. "Old Calvinists," whose theology Dr. Leonard Bacon properly called "Calvinism of a mitigated type," and "Hopkinsians," or new divinity men, were struggling for New England leadership. Their favorite watchwords have lost most of their vitality today, retaining chiefly a historic interest. But in this place[1] it should never be forgotton that the two opposing interests united in the foundation of this school of sacred learning, which stands as a monument to their reconciliation. Among the Old Calvinists the names of Jedediah Morse, of Charlestown, and the Phillipses (*clarum et venerable nomen!*) spring to mind. While the Hopkinsians were well represented by Samuel Spring, of Newburyport, and Dr. Emmons, whom I have already mentioned.

The Congregationalists of one hundred years ago were on very good terms with their Presbyterian neighbors to the south and west. This year marks the centennial of that peculiar alliance commonly called the "plan of union," an anniversary which neither denomination is likely to wish to celebrate. For did not the Congregational churches lose much territory by the operation of this their self-denying ordinance? And did not the Presbyterians receive thereby a *damnosa haereditas*, a leaven of New England theology which leavened some sections of the lump until they rose and overflowed the Presbyterian bowl? Whence have come wars and fightings among them, "Old School" and "New School," schisms, heresy trials, *et hoc genus omne*, for "what fellowship hath light with darkness?"

Less friendly was the feeling of our churches toward the Methodists, those innovators upon a "standing order" already venerable. This communion which is now the most powerful numerically of the Protestant churches in the United States, was then finding it hard work to make head-way against the religious prejudices of the Puritans. As for a Christian welcome or the enjoyment of fellowship, that was out of the question. In the year 1800, the Hartford North Association voted that

[1] Andover, the meeting place of the General Association.

it was "not consistent to dismiss and recommend the members of our churches to the Methodists." Today it is not unknown for a Congregational church to take a minister from the Methodist ranks. Apparently the old objections to the Arminian theology of the followers of Wesley have become less weighty with the lapse of time. And on the other hand the aversion which many felt to the extreme revivalist methods which had been pursued by these innovators, have passed into the background, along with the methods themselves.

The formation of the General Association of Massachusetts stands very near the beginning of the century, and this organization will soon be called upon to celebrate its hundredth birthday. We are somewhat surprised to read of the opposition which this simple and apparently advantageous project encountered. Being originally suggested by some of the evangelical wing, the liberal ministers opposed it. They objected to its doctrinal basis, which was the shorter catechism. They also said the older General Convention was enough. But the Hopkinsians also generally regarded it with disfavor, for they feared some interference with the autonomy of the churches, that crowning excellence of Congregationalism, according to Massachusetts opinion. Dr. Emmons's oracular utterance sets forth this fear: — "Associationism leads to Consociationism; Consociationism leads to Presbyterianism; Presbyterianism leads to Episcopacy; Episcopacy leads to Roman Catholicism; and Roman Catholicism is an ultimate fact." It really looks as though Dr. Emmons were more than half right. To illustrate: —

"Associationism leads to Consociationism," — witness the Connecticut churches. "Consociationism leads to Presbyterianism," — witness the "Plan of Union." "Presbyterianism leads to Episcopacy," — witness Professor Briggs and Professor Shields. "Episcopacy leads to Roman Catholicism," — witness Cardinal Newman and (*magno intervallo*) Dr. DaCosta. "Roman Catholicism is an ultimate fact," — verily, it is! — witness the Vatican decree of papal infalliblity, and the inhibition of St. George Mivart.

It is curious that out of twenty-four Associations in the State of Massachusetts at the time the General Association was organized, only five, and they not among the most prominent, were willing, or cared to enter it. The Boston Association and others of importance in the eastern section held aloof. For several years the fate of the larger body seemed uncertain. But it finally made its way, and after the organization of the American Board, it may fairly be said to "boom." There were even found rash spirits, a few years later (1818), who so far forgot their principles as to suggest that all the associations in New England should join forces and become one body. But this most un-Congregational of proposals met its deserved fate. Perish the thought that Congregationalists are *one church*, is the ancient Massachusetts watchword. We are *churches* only. A considerable chapter in our denominational history might be written about the resistance to the centralizing tend-

ency, always present, but exhibiting increasing power amid the complex conditions of modern social life.

The opening of the nineteenth century was a revival period all through New England. In fact, the churches lived an intense religious life, with some interruptions, for nearly two generations, from about 1790 onward. Unlike the great awakening, this revival was carried on more by pastoral effort than by visits from travelling evangelists. You may read in the columns of the *Massachusetts Missionary Magazine*, or *The Panoplist*, or the *Connecticut Evangelical Magazine*, accounts of these spiritual out-pourings. From year to year the pendulum swings back and forth. Now we hear the tone of rejoicing, now that of disappointment. Some sections have received "copious effusions of the Spirit," others show only a "pleasing religious engagedness," while others still report that "an alarming stupor has seized the minds of persons of every description." Revivals are reported from Vermont, in Middlebury College in 1811, where about half the students are professing Christians, and from Williams college in 1812, when half the students are reported to have been converted. These, however, are only samples of many like bits of religious history. There is an archaic beauty in the descriptions, usually in Biblical language, of the condition of religion. Our hopes sink when we read that many of the churches are found "slumbering in Laodicean lukewarmness," but they mount high when "the presence of our divine Immanuel, walking in the midst of his golden candlesticks" is gratefully recognized. Again gloom and discouragement recur when we learn that the most hopeful feature of the New Hampshire work is that "no new errors have arisen."

From this same class of periodical literature we get valuable hints as to the general religious life and thinking of the day. Take, for instance, the *Massachusetts Missionary Magazine*, whose first volume bears the date of 1803. Its expressed aim was "to edify Christians and inform the rising generation." The early numbers contain a variety of contributed articles, besides the religious news proper; letters, usually about conversions, death-bed scenes, or devotional topics; religious poetry, like President Davies' apostrophe to his infant son, beginning, — "Thou embryo-angel, or thou infant fiend!" allegories, with some strikingly apparent moral; doctrinal discussions; dialogues on the subject of religion, etc., etc. The *Connecticut Evangelical Magazine*, which was begun a little earlier than that in Massachusetts, was conducted along the same general lines. It has a department of anecdotes, very much like that in modern religious newspapers, wherein one may find mild diversion. In the volume for the year 1800 we read this: "Mr. Heron, a minister of New England, when dying and leaving a family of many small children, his poor wife fell a-weeping and said, — 'Alas, what will become of all these children?' He presently and pleasantly replied, — 'Never fear; He that feeds the young ravens, will not starve the young Herons.'" And the anecdote adds, by way of clinching its

lesson of trust in Providence, that among the Marian martyrs it had been observed that "none went more joyfully to the stake than those who had the largest families to commit to the Lord."

I turned eagerly to one article in an early number of this *Connecticut Magazine*, for it was entitled "The Misconduct of Professors." Of course these "professors" turned out to be other than I at first had thought; the reference was to certain church members who had misbehaved themselves.

How the *Massachusetts Magazine* fulfilled its purpose to "inform the rising generation," we may infer from its very earliest efforts along this line. The opening number contains a list of "questions to exercise the minds of the children." Here are some of them:—

"1. Suppose a child, while walking the street, to find a five-dollar bill. What ought to be his first feelings?"

Note that question, and observe the abnormal development of the New England conscience. What "ought" a child to "feel"? The *duty of feeling* in a particular way, and the implied moral obliquity of feeling in another particular way, are here presented to the youthful mind as subjects for reflection. The list proceeds.

"2. Ought he first be sorry, or glad, because he has found the money?"

I confess I felt great sympathy for the child who was being "exercised" by that inquiry, for with such developed powers of conscience as I happen to possess, I am unable to say whether it would be one's duty to be glad or sorry first under the given circumstances. But this is not the worst. There is another question put by our Puritan casuist.

"3. *Why* ought he to be sorry, and *why* glad?" etc., etc.

Truly, this is stern stuff for infant minds.

It rather looks as if the *Magazine* had begun too seriously for some of the sensible mothers in Israel, for in the second number an anonymous letter appears, written by one who evidently appreciated the situation, and wished to block undesirable development at the start. She writes, — "We sincerely desire the Magazine may prove a family repository, rather than a system of metaphysics. . . . It is the opinion of our female circle [query: does she mean a women's club?] that if the editors will only reserve their strong meat, which is sufficiently salted, for polemic productions, and will devoutly feed us with the milk and honey of the gospel, that the Magazine will have an extensive and useful circulation. . . ."

The old habit of catechising children, and of watchfully directing their early religious training, appears not to have been so widespread in 1800 as in earlier days. It was found necessary to organize Sunday schools, especially for "poor, neglected children" (as in the town of Beverly, in 1811). Such undertakings are met with in various parts of New England at the time. It is the beginning of the modern Sunday school age. Tracts were also put forth, to attract the attention and fix the minds of

children upon religious things. For the special benefit of the children of New Hampshire, in 1812, there was "A Child's Memorial, exhibiting the happy death of Dinah Doudney, in a discourse by John Griffin." The "Religious Tract Committee" reported that it had printed for distribution 4,000 copies of this discourse, enough certainly to solemnize the mind of every child in New Hampshire. As a bait to the benevolent, the same association once voted to present half the value of each gift, *in tracts*, to anyone who would donate money for its work.

Another new form of religious activity was the organization of the women of the churches. There was good precedent for this, in Boston if nowhere else, in the person of Mrs. Anne Hutchinson of colonial fame. But the new societies did not follow the lines which that worthy woman laid down. Their avowed aim was not to discuss the sermon of the previous Sunday. The pioneer of these new organizations appears to have been the "Boston Female Society for Missionary Purposes," established in 1800. Within a few years they became sufficiently prominent to deserve a rather patronizing notice from the ministers. At the annual meeting of the General Association, in 1812, this item was entered upon the records: — "In some of our more compact and opulent towns we notice with high satisfaction female societies emulating the pious example of an ancient female disciple in making coats and garments for the poor."

This laudible form of activity was not the only one, however, in which the women engaged. A favorite kind of organization was the "Cent Society," "The Female Cent Society," or the "Ladies' Cent Society." The name seems to mean that the members each contributed one cent a week toward some benevolent object. Thus the "Reading Female Cent Society" contributed $17.00 in this fashion toward the support of Indian schools among the Cherokees, in the year 1809, and $43.00 the year following. If they adhered to their rule, there must have been about thirty-three members the first year, and eighty-five the second, which is certainly a very good showing.

There was much concern among the Congregationalists of one hundred years ago over the preparation of young men for the Christian ministry, and over ways of providing for their support. Theological Seminaries, familiarity with which — or shall I say unfamiliarity — has since sometimes bred contempt, were then almost unknown. The colleges had become to a large degree schools of secular education, and ministers were usually trained in private by pastors old in the service. But this meant no well-rounded theological instruction. Hence the foundation of Andover Seminary, with a plan of study remarkable for its breadth and insight. This school led the way for others, and long continued to be the leader. The "American Society for Educating Pious Youth for the Gospel Ministry" was organized in 1815. It was interdenominational at first, but finally became the Congregational "Education Society." Commendable zeal sometimes led benevolent men to do unprofitable things,

as when a Mr. Schermerhorn offered to present $200 worth of copies of Owen's *Exposition on the Hebrews* to any association which would organize to help theological students. But in the main the efforts to aid the churches in this way bore fruit. If some of the methods employed have since become either obsolete or positively objectionable, we should not forget to give them credit for the valuable assistance they have rendered in the past.

In conclusion, permit me to call your attention to a few contrasts presented by the religious thinking, activity and life at the beginning and at the end of the nineteenth century. First, with regard to the temperance agitation, which increased with the passage of each decade. This was in part a reaction from social customs in which church members and ministers freely shared previous to 1800, and to some extent after that date. Spirituous liquors were common at entertainments, and even at church gatherings. It would surely occasion surprise if a prominent minister today were known to be the proprietor of a brewery, for instance. But it is only a little more than a hundred years since the Rev. Nathan Strong, pastor of the First Church in Hartford, Conn., was part owner of a distillery near his church. And his eccleciastical standing remained unaffected. The General Association of Massachusetts cast the weight of its influence against the whole traffic in intoxicants, and one result was the organization of the "Society for the Suppression of Intemperance."

Secondly, we note a striking contrast in the parish work. Formerly the minister did about all that was done; now laymen are to be found in every place and office, except the pulpit, — and they sometimes invade even that. From being silent and inert, except in private theological discussion, they have become vocal and active. This change was partly due to the influence of Methodism, but largely also to the reflex influence of the "new awakening," which brought in its train so many new institutions, the prayer-meeting, the Sunday school, and the whole circle of parish societies.

In the third place, the changed theology of our time has produced a set of institutions, or allowed them to develop, which would have been inconceivable at the earlier period. Bear in mind, for instance, the older teaching regarding the iniquity of all "unregenerate doings," the condemnation of the "use of means," and the uselessness of any and every endeavor on man's part to secure salvation. Then contrast with that our Societies of Christian Endeavor, and of Junior Endeavor, with the encouragements they hold out to the young to participate in religious exercises, in the hope of leading them along the way of righteousness and Christian character-building, and ultimately of aiding in their conversion. What do you think would be Dr. Hopkins's judgment upon these "unregenerate doings?" Clearly, Horace Bushnell's *Christian Nurture* has intervened between these periods, — if nothing more has happened.

Finally, the contrast just noticed suggests another, whereunto it is well that our churches should take heed. New England Christianity a century ago was of a somewhat theoretical or intellectual type, whereas now it is practical and often unintellectual, not to say ignorant. Whatever we may think of the exact content of that faith which our fathers held, there is no doubt that they held it *intelligently*. I mean they knew what they believed and why they believed it. Every farmer and every housewife was a theologian. There was a precision in the religious thinking of the plain people, which, with all our boasted diffusion of popular knowledge, we must confess has been lost. We know more things, of course, but we do not know some of them so well. This is not the place to enter upon a discussion of reasons for this change. Let it suffice merely to point out the fact. While I would not be misunderstood as pleading for a return to the dogmatic faith of colonial New England, I think we may properly expect and demand of our people somewhat clearer notions of religious belief than they commonly possess in this easy-going age of ours. But this expectation can be realized only when our people again find a clear notion of religious faith presented to them by their chosen spiritual teachers, as they found it at the dawn of the nineteenth century.

THE OPENING OF THE BIBLE[1]

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What changes have taken place in the church's apprehension of the Bible in the last hundred years? To answer this question is the purpose of my address.

The apprehension of the Bible is closely connected with the apprehension of Christianity. A hundred years ago Christianity was conceived of as a system of doctrines. No doubt it would be easy to put this too strongly. The Protestant churches have always been more or less conscious that religion is a matter of the heart rather than the head. The principal acts of saving faith (says the Westminster Confession) "are accepting, receiving and resting upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification and eternal life by virtue of the covenant of grace."

But while this view of faith was at the basis of church life a hundred years ago there can be no doubt that the intellectual acceptance of a doctrinal system was thought to go along with the faith, or to be a part of it. Christianity was called *a system of revealed truth*. The controversies of the eighteenth century tended to make prominent this intellectual view of religion.

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The deists made the same identification of Christianity and theology. Admitting many of the truths affirmed by Christians, they tried to show that for these truths a revelation was not necessary; denying some of the things affirmed by Christians, they of course denied that these could be the content of a revelation. The defense of Christianity was made at the points at which the attack was directed. Hence the earnestness of the eighteenth century in formulating the evidences of Christianity. The treatises published under this title endeavored to show that all parts of the received theology were true and that they can be known only by supernatural revelation.

This shows the place given the Bible in the theory of the church or of her authorized spokesman, the theologians. In this theory, the Bible is a compendium of teaching concerning the being and nature of God, concerning man and his history, concerning the divine plan for the punishment of the race and the redemption of the elect. The theory is perhaps nowhere more distinctly stated than by Dr. Samuel Hopkins, at the opening of his lectures on theology, in a passage that I will quote:

"It is evident from reason, fact and experience, that mankind stand in need of a revelation from God in order to know what God is, what is their own true state and moral character, whether He be reconcilable to them who have rebelled against Him, and, if He be, what is the true method He has appointed in which He will be reconciled; and what man must be and do in order to find acceptance in His sight, wherein true happiness consists, whether there be another state, what are the favors that He will grant in a future state to those who serve and please Him in this life, what are His grand designs in creating and governing the world, *etc.* The *ignorance* and *uncertainty*, with respect to these most important points, in which all men have been and still are who have enjoyed no such revelation, is a constant striking evidence of this."

This quotation shows with perfect clearness the view I am describing. The ignorance and uncertainty of man makes the need of a revelation. The revelation is intended to give knowledge and certainty. No doubt the knowledge serves a practical end; man needs to know God in order to serve Him, to be informed that he can be reconciled to God in order that he may avail himself of the privilege. But when all is said, it remains true that the revelation is to meet and overcome the ignorance of man.

The need being thus shown, the author goes on to show that the needed revelation is contained in the Bible. "For while all other pretended revelations from God (he says) which have been or now are found among men are without all proper evidence of their being such, and carry evident marks of imposture which has been abundantly demonstrated by those who have examined them, *this* has stood the test of the severest scrutiny both of its friends and its enemies."

This quotation I suppose to represent the view commonly held a hundred years ago in all our churches. The view is logical and self-consis-

tent. It finds man in need of knowledge, it finds the knowledge supplied by the Bible and by the Bible alone. All other alleged revelations are impostures, so that the Bible can be sharply distinguished from them. If we ask for the proofs which established the unique character of this book we shall find them adduced in abundance, miracles, fulfilled prophecy, the nature of the truths declared, the unity and harmony of the different parts of the revelation, the testimony of the Jewish and Christian churches. This imposing array of proofs was supposed to establish the position of the Bible as "an instrument perfect and equally valuable in every part for giving an unquestionable judgment on all kinds of truth" (Ladd). If the theologians who held this view and defended it with such ingenuity were confronted by the spectacle of men who did not or could not accept their conclusion, they had a ready explanation in the innate depravity of human nature, a depravity which must blind the minds of some to a perception of the truth.

It is easy for us to see that the view I have been describing was received by tradition. It is, in fact, the view of the church of the Middle Ages, save only that it substitutes the Bible for the church as the source of doctrine. It strikes us with something like wonder to discover that no one of the New England theologians of the eighteenth century felt an impulse to go behind tradition. We should expect these scholars to begin their studies by an unbiassed inquiry into the nature of those Scriptures upon whose assertions they intended to build so much. But we search their works in vain for such an inquiry. It would be possible for us to plead in their defense that, as dogmatic theologians, they had a right to assume the results of Biblical science wrought out by men who were specialists in that department. But where are these specialists? We do not find them. So far as appears, the theologians were content with the exegesis formulated a hundred years earlier; while the questions which we treat under the head of Biblical Introduction simply had no existence for them. This is the point I am making — the science of a century ago was dogmatic. The mind of the church was dominated by a theological system. In this system the Bible was treated as a supernatural revelation of certain truths.

The nineteenth century made immense advance in all lines of investigation, and if I were to characterize the work done during the century I should say first, that it was critical, and secondly, that it was comparative. The students to whom the nineteenth century owed its progress were first of all critical — they resolutely set themselves to re-examine the foundations of knowledge; they would take nothing for granted. And then these students were comparative in their method — they discovered how to make one department of knowledge throw light on another. In both ways they have influenced our conception of the Bible. For the Bible as an object of study has been subjected to the same methods which have been applied to other objects of study.

The nineteenth century was critical and it was comparative. Of

course I do not mean that either tendency is confined to a particular century. Our divisions of time are arbitrary. The tendencies I have in mind were already active before the year 1800 and they continue powerful now that we have passed into the twentieth century. But the tendencies which only began to assert themselves in the eighteenth century may be said to have dominated the nineteenth. It was in 1781 that Kant published the "Critique of the Pure Reason." This work marks an epoch in human thought, because it attempted just what I have in mind — it attempted to re-examine the foundations of our knowledge in the powers of the human mind. Of the influence of this work in the century that followed its publication I need not speak. Another example of the critical tendency is seen in Niebuhr's "History of Rome" (1812). The epoch-making importance of this book was due to its criticism of the sources. It was another case in which the foundations of knowledge were subjected to a fresh examination in order to discover their real nature and their real strength. Wolf's *Prolegomena*, which applied the critical method to the most famous book of classic literature, are a third example of the same tendency (1795). All these books show the determination to go back to the sources of our knowledge, to build on no foundations whose nature and whose strength had not been thoroughly tested.

In Bible study this determination made itself felt (as we should expect) and the century was a century of Biblical criticism. In the first place may be mentioned the vast work which has been done in the last hundred years in the settlement of the Biblical text. It has long been known that the conditions of transmission of ancient documents were such as to require special care to recover the original wording out of the mass of varying copies that may have come down to us. That this was true of the Bible — at least of the New Testament — was realized before the commencement of the nineteenth century. But a certain hesitation in acting according to this knowledge is visible in earlier times. The great polyglot of Walton, which contained a critical apparatus, was sharply attacked by John Owen, the Puritan theologian, because it unsettled men's confidence in the Word of God. The great divine saw, more clearly than some of his successors, that the dogmatic system requires a certified text if it is to build upon isolated affirmations of Scripture. This hesitation has discovered itself often when men endeavored to treat the text of Scripture like the text of other ancient documents. But the last hundred years have overcome the reluctance. Men have now made a thorough collation of the New Testament manuscripts in our possession; they have patiently worked out the rules by which the original reading may be determined, and they have substituted a really critical text for the one which had by accident been adopted as authoritative in the church. Whatever new developments this science may have in store for us, one period of its successful prosecution is marked by the century just closed. We cannot say as much for

the Old Testament where the problem is peculiarly complicated, and where the prejudice to be overcome was much stronger. But the latter part of the nineteenth century shows at least an awakening to the real nature of the problem presented by the Old Testament text, shows also the commencement of a solution.

Textual criticism is a science for the experts, and its influence in the church at large might be supposed to be small. But our own time shows that the church at large has some appreciation of the work done in this department. It is not a small matter that the church appreciates the nature of the process by which its Bible has come down from former times. This knowledge must be counted part of the equipment with which we start upon the new century.

The change wrought by the last hundred years is much more plainly seen in what we call the higher or historical criticism. This is the science which examines ancient documents with a view to their date, integrity, and method of composition. It is a science which has existed as long as ancient documents have been an object of study. Even in its application to the Bible it is not of recent date. Spinoza, Richard Simon and Astruc all wrote before the commencement of the period we have under review. Several German scholars were deep in these inquiries in the latter part of the eighteenth century. But the nineteenth century saw a thorough development of the science and its vigorous application to the Bible. Moreover, the science and its method are beginning to be known and appreciated in the church at large. It is this which makes the great difference between our view and our grandfather's view of the Bible.

This difference is not so much in specific affirmations or denials as it is in the whole point of view. We, the most conservative of us, appreciate that the Bible is the result of a historical process. Our grandfathers would have found it hard to comprehend what we mean by the phrase, *result of a historical process.* To them the Bible was something certified and accredited in special ways from the beginning. It was written by a few men who were duly authenticated to their contemporaries as prophets. Their books were adopted as the Word of God at once on publication, and the growing *corpus* was always the unique and inerrant standard of doctrine. This view of the Bible was not so much avowed, as it was unconsciously held. It put the Bible into the class of public documents, along with the decrees of Councils or the constitutions of kingdoms.

Now, the higher criticism has shown the impossibility of this theory. It has discovered a long and complicated process through which the books went in their making, and through which the Bible went in becoming one codex. Instead of a few certified amanuenses of the Holy Spirit writing down truths otherwise inaccessible to human reason, we discover a multitude of believing and hoping souls, tried, tempted, oppressed, steadfast, worshipping, praying, adoring, in whose experience

the Holy Spirit has made himself known and who have put that experience into words.

I may illustrate the difference of view of which I am speaking by the first case that comes to hand — say the prophet Amos. To the older view Amos was an inspired organ of revelation to Israel. He was intellectually enlightened and strengthened for the declaration of certain truths. He informed Israel of the justice of God, rebuked their iniquity, predicted their captivity in the immediate future, and in the remoter distance the coming and triumph of Christ. Now critical study has revealed to us much more — if also in some respects less — than this. What we now discover is a man aflame with indignation at the injustice, oppression and debauchery of his contemporaries; a man who cries out upon the stupidity of a people that cannot read the signs of the times; a man who hurls at a self-complacent generation, confident in the electing grace of God, the message: — "You only have I known of all the families of the earth, *therefore*, will I visit upon you all your iniquities;" a man in whom religion is a living experience, in whom faith in God burns as a fire, in whom love of God works sympathy with the poor and indignation at their oppressors. Of course I do not say that nothing of this was seen by Christians a hundred years ago. But I am convinced that the clear vision of it has come only to our own time. No doubt when judged by the rigid theological affirmations of the earlier time the results of the higher criticism are negative. But its main result — the substitution of a vital for a mechanical conception — is in the highest degree positive and constructive.

So far, we have noticed the critical impulse of the nineteenth century applying itself to the Bible. But besides the critical, we have also the comparative work of the century to consider. It was inevitable that the immense increase in intercourse between all parts of the world should stimulate comparative studies. New materials came to hand for the study of man and of nature, and a new method was needed for using these materials. As the various races of men were more carefully studied the underlying unity of man's development came into view. It was found that the history of any one country cannot be studied by itself; it can be understood only by taking into view the history of all those nations with which this one was in contact. Nor is it always possible to understand a single nation aright without using a broader vision. It is found that institutions remote in space and time throw a surprising light upon each other, so that in a sense we cannot understand the history of a single people without studying the history of all mankind. It need not be pointed out that the effect has been to break down the isolation in which Israel — the people of the Bible — have heretofore been kept. The theological view, which we found prevalent a hundred years ago, made Israel the one exception to the history of the race. All mankind were in alienation from God, their progress was to be a progress in iniquity until the fulness of times. Israel alone was an

exception to the rule. By the divine election this people was chosen out of the mass of corruption. In order to their preservation this people received a special divine discipline. Their history was under the direct action of superhuman forces. Their *institutions* were as exceptional as their history. They alone were the recipients of divine revelation. To preserve this revelation was the object of the separative legislation which was given at the beginning of their history. So far as the separation was an end, it was accomplished by the legislation. Israel was separate from the other nations, who were classed together as heathen, whose religions were altogether false, whose tendencies were altogether evil. This theory was the one held by the Jews themselves, and it easily passed into the church. In accordance with it the Bible was unique among books, because Israel was unique among the nations. As all other religions were false, so all other alleged revelations were impostures.

The work of the last century, I say, has been to a considerable extent the breaking down of this exclusive theory. We have seen with increasing clearness, that the history of Israel can be understood only as it is studied in connection with the history of its neighbors. The language of Israel is to us not the language of the Garden of Eden, but one of a well marked group of languages which developed along similar lines. The institutions of Israel are seen to be not peculiar to that little nation, but parallel to those found in other quarters of the globe. Many features of Israel's religion, even, can be explained as survivals from a period when the people worshipped objects sacred to their heathen neighbors. The faith of Israel in the electing grace of their God is quite like the faith of other nations in the special care and favor of their divinities. The Kings of Israel are no more positive in affirming their election by Yahveh than are the Kings of Assyria, claiming the similar favor of Ashur, Nebo or Merodach. Even the phenomena of the Bible itself are not without analogies in other religions. We find that it is only by a violent assumption that we can stigmatize all other sacred books as impostures.

The outcome of the comparative method is the theory of evolution. The isolation in which Israel was placed by the theologians was analogous to the separation in which the older science viewed the separate fields of knowledge, or the separate epochs of time. Instead of finding in nature a series of breaks made by separate creative acts, we have learned the organic connection of the present with the past, under the law of steady progress. This view could not exclude the Bible from its field. We, of today are beginning to see in our religion something that has grown. As we look back to the beginnings of Israel's faith, we see how crude those beginnings were. As we look at the idea of God held by the nomads of the desert, we see that it was little elevated above the idea of a Chemosh or a Moloch. The popular religion of the tribes settled in Palestine easily confounded Yahveh with the Baal, whose

sanctuaries He had adopted. But as we go on in the history we see the idea of God clarified and enriched. Yahveh becomes the God of righteousness and of mercy. His providence comes more clearly into view as the worshippers go through the experience of conflict, persecution and exile. In proportion as his inheritance in Israel shrinks in importance, the conviction grows that he is the God, not of one nation only, but of the whole earth. When his earthly kingdom vanishes from view he is the more clearly seen as Ruler of the universe. The culmination is reached when he is revealed as the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the God who so loves the world as to give his beloved Son to the faith of those who seek salvation.

The perception of this growth of revelation is the mark of our age. I do not mean that there had not been anticipations of this view in an earlier time. I suppose the federal theology of Cocceius was an endeavor to do justice to the gradual character of divine revelation. But the time was not ripe for the full development of this idea. In truth, if men are saved by the communication of a system of truth, the essentials of the system must be always the same. Adam and Abraham must have had a view of the scheme of redemption in substantial completeness, and that they had such a view was generally held by the earlier theologians. It is only within the last century that a more historical conception has made its way. Evidence that this historical view has established itself in the new science of Biblical Theology, whose work it is to trace the growth of our religion through the various stages recorded for us in the Bible.

The church of today looks upon the Bible as the record of the growth of our religion. This is a great change from that view of the Bible which made it an inerrant revelation of a system of philosophy. It seems at first sight that the change diminishes the importance of the Bible. An infallible source of doctrine to which all controversies must be brought for settlement, which teaches with authority what we must believe concerning God, as well as what duties God has laid upon man, seems a greater and more commanding object of study than the record of any development, however important. The contrary is the case. For one thing the Bible never was the sole and infallible source of Christian doctrine. Christian doctrine has always been made up from many sources, mental science, metaphysics, church tradition, axioms of the schools. No one familiar with the facts will pretend that any of the earlier systems of theology did justice to the whole Bible, or even made a serious attempt to do justice to the whole Bible. Now that we have removed the Bible from the isolated grandeur in which it had been placed, we discover that it is a richer object of study than our ancestors ever dreamed. Now it is the centre of a whole group of sciences, it touches humanity, history, religion, at a thousand points. To understand it, is to understand the history of our race. The constantly broadening curriculum of our theological seminaries testifies eloquently to the prominence of the Bible in the thought of the church.

A CENTURY WITH VERSIONS AND EDITIONS[1]

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A scholar's book our Bible indeed is; a book to study; a book that never shuns and never disappoints study. Such it has been ever since Jesus coming set his people searching the Scriptures for eternal life; such it is proving itself increasingly to be, in the way it responds to our age's fierce light of scientific research. Its real distinction, however, is deeper than scholarly. The Bible is first of all a folk's book, a book to live and walk by. It came to the plain people originally; was intended for them and adapted to their capacities. Curious and recondite inquiries may indeed gather round it; but these, after all, are by the way. Its large and vital truths, its weightiest secrets, are for all who can read and hear. The focal point of our interest, therefore, is in the vernacular Bible, the Bible as it comes forth finished, from the workshops of textual inquiry, translation, interpretation, ready to make its appeal to plain men, and in a language — as the old phrase puts it — "understanded of the people."

As soon as we think of the Bible as a folk's book we must needs think also of the folk; we cannot wholly disengage our inquiry of what the Bible is in itself from the question of what it is to them. There is a folk's attitude to reckon with; it is the variable element, so to say, of the equation. The modern versions and editions that we have to notice have been in part, but only in part, called forth by the demands of modern scholarship; in part, also, they have been the mute answer to a great upheaval in the people's mood and sentiment, whereby the Book itself has gradually become another thing from what it was a century ago. Another thing — is it also less? Never, in all the ages of the world, has the Word of life been so universally accessible as now; has it grown correspondingly as a savour of life unto life? and among the versions that we can count in this new century's dawn, can we reckon, as could have been done a century ago, the version written in the heart?

It is in the answer to this question, which answer is a chapter of literary history, that we find the proper setting and significance of our theme; we are to consider modern versions and editions as they emerge, so to say, from the nebulous background of a people's life and mind.

I.

A hundred years ago the Authorized Version, which had been in our fathers' hands for nearly two hundred years, was no longer a version.

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It had come to have all the significance of an original book. Outside the pulpit and the university no one dreamed that it was translated from another language. The rugged simplicity and meatiness of its thought had smitten themselves into our thought-forms as a prime elemental literary power. The Hebrew idioms and turns of phrase, nay, even the awkward straits of translation, which once must have had a strange alien sound, had become English idiom; or rather, we may say, the English-thinking mind, in all its religious phrase and syntax, had become Hebrew. To a profounder extent than any were aware the language of Canaan was a western people's mother-tongue; and this largely because the Authorized Version had naturalized it into a mould for men's every-day thinking. When our fathers, as they did, stoutly maintained the doctrine of verbal inspiration, the inspired words they really had in mind were not Hebrew or Greek, but English words; the words of that version which Selden called "the best translation in the world," and of which the late Master of Balliol once remarked, "In a certain sense, the Authorized Version is more inspired than the original." Their English Bible had wrought itself into the inmost texture of their minds and speech.

All this, so far forth, as we well know, is a purely literary fact; and yet our fathers had as little sense of being controlled by the subtle power of literature as we have of the power of air and light in which we move. To them it would have been a profanation to call the Bible literature; their very idea of inspiration barred out the notion of composing and elaborating implied in that term. Nor was their sense of its contents in the smallest degree that flexible realization which we apply to works of human literature. It was not printed and bound like other books. It was not read like other books. A big leather-bound copy of it was brought forth in solemn mood at family prayers, and one chapter read — as a chapter, not as a living, breathing message; and the solemn mood of reception was accorded impartially to the Beatitudes, the furniture of the Tabernacle, and the catalogue of the Dukes of Edom. All belonged to the inviolable Word of God; and attributed to the perusal of it, if not consciously felt then occult, was a mysterious effect called edification. Only a step beyond such attitude to it, and hardly more superstitious, was the oft-obeyed impulse to open the Bible at random, as the ancients opened their Virgil, as a magic book to tell fortunes by. In the pulpit, too, the Bible was as little like other books as elsewhere. There, with its arbitrary division into numbered chapters and verses, it revealed little of that lighted and shaded continuity which we associate with a book's line of story or thought; rather it was an assemblage of texts, nuclei of sermons and proofs of theological doctrines, all well-nigh equal in weight, and the lightest of them of such value that a man's unchangeable destiny beyond death could be deduced from the fact, oracularly affirmed by Ecclesiastes, that when a tree falls in one or another direction it stays there.

On the realistic side, moreover, in pulpit and pew alike, it is not too much to say the Bible was becoming an impossible book, — in the sense deliberately affirmed by an old theologian, that it was all the more credible for being impossible. Verbal inspiration on the one side, the uncritical acceptance of the miraculous on the other, had combined to create a fairy world of ancient record and history, wherein the laws that we see operative around us are not to be counted on at all. Any knotty event could be untied by the interposition of miracle. Any seeming contradiction could be resolved, or at least dismissed, by the all-covering potency of inspiration. Science, the sense of ordered natural fact, had no business between the covers of that Book, except as the Book granted a reluctant franchise from the tract it had left over. Nay, even reason itself, dubbed rationalism — as we give a dog a bad name in order to hang him, — was sternly crushed under a faith which on its side was hardly distinguishable from sheer credulousness. Thus, in a word, the Bible, in its Authorized Version, dissociated from literary thought and made an absolute unchangeable oracle of God, was becoming to the pious a sublime tyrant whom they must needs follow out of the world, and therefore into another hemisphere of a divided life; while to the worldly it was becoming a fossil, with, for life, merely some vegetable growth of superstition still adhering to it. If we are apprehensive about its vitality in the people's mind now, still this glance back through a century may do something to reassure us. That absolute reign of the Authorized Version, attractive as in one aspect it was, had another and less toward side.

One tribute, however, we must not neglect to pay; the implication of our review would be only half true without it. The Bible was read in those days, as it is not read now; it was committed to memory by the children, and trodden in by catechizing, as is not done now; and one mental treatment of it prevailed then, the very capacity for which, we are tempted to think, is almost atrophied in these hurried days — I mean pondering, leisurely meditation. We shall have to think a good deal into the newer conditions that now prevail, to offset this.

II.

Meanwhile, from the dawn of that nineteenth century was rising unperceived the power of those great upheaving movements of mind which have made that century notable beyond all preceding time. I must not trace these in any detail; I will merely name two, which yet are aspects of one. It was the century of the scientific movement, which with its deepening spirit of accurate, cautious observation and its readjustment of all phenomena to the evolutionary theory, has revolutionized men's thinking from its foundations. It was also the century of diffusion; wherein, by the enormous activity of the press, and by the accessibility of the best education, not only the influence of scientific thought but the subtle appreciation of literature entered, to unprecedented degree,

into the fibre and tissue of the common mind. In such a tremendous onward current no Bible held as the Authorized Version was held could remain untouched. It must either go under, like folk tales, or prove in some new way its fitness to survive. Until some vital bond was found to bind it anew to men's common thinking, it must become increasingly unreal, the gap between it and life must widen.

Of these great age-movements the earlier to make its effect felt on forms and versions of the Bible was the scientific. I do not refer now to those discussions of Genesis and geology, or to those questionings of the supernatural, whereby science so disturbed men's faith two generations ago; that belongs to the scholarship side, and mine is a folk subject. I refer rather to the changed attitude engendered in a scientific atmosphere, the increasing sense of concrete fact, of accurate conception, of exact statement, which must needs take increasing possession of the common mind and create new demands. We may, in a word, call it scientific honesty. The commentaries felt it; Scott and Matthew Henry, with their devout embroidery of Scripture, ceased fully to satisfy; some view was needed which should seek first of all just what Scripture said and meant, and abide by that. So commenting, though it became infinitely dryer, kept itself much more scrupulously to book; nor was it long before it reached the type it has since retained, becoming rigidly grammatical, lexical, textual, like the commentaries of Ellicott and Meyer. Nor could scientific conscientiousness stop there. Soon it began to be hinted that in this and that place the text was corrupt; that this or that passage was a later interpolation; that here and there the translation was wrong; that ancient manuscripts had been discovered which compelled changes of rendering and interpretation; that old versions were founded on a different original from ours. Interpreters felt it increasingly necessary to make their own translation of the book on which they were commenting. All these things gradually wrought in the ordinary religious mind a feeling of unrest not unlike what those experience who in an earthquake first realize that even the great planet may tremble from its place. Even the Authorized Version, men discovered, had its imperfections; it was but a version, a translation, after all; and both it and its original must be brought to the tribunal of reckoning. A disquieting discovery to make of so divine and so seeming stable an object. And who could conjecture what shapeless torso would be left when all these wanton demands of alteration were met? If the foundations are destroyed, what will the righteous do?

Still, the thing must be done, *audendum tamen;* and it was with the keen interest of all English readers upon them that those sittings in Jerusalem Chamber from which came eventually the Revised Version were carried on. Of this revision the controlling spirit was more scientific than literary; a spirit made faithful and ardent by the claims of the new task, yet made reluctant by the unapproachable excellence of the version they were to change. This shows itself in the Revisers'

avowal of their object, which latter was, as they said, first, "to give to modern readers a faithful representation of the meaning of the original documents"; secondly, to give a revision simply, altered as little as may be in language and idiom, not a new translation. Here speaks, we may say, the voice of an age which, spurred by scientific conscience, will deal honestly with its heritage of divine truth; but as yet it is awake rather to the substance than to the form. So little is the literary form, indeed, a spontaneous thing with the revisers that they will admit no word or idiom in their new version which is not as old as 1611; thus compelling themselves to write with one finger in the dictionary, and in a manufactured idiom two and a half centuries older than their day. It is a praiseworthy tribute of veneration to the Authorized Version, but whether the result can be a limpid current of idiom, welling up as it were unbidden, and with no signs of artificial forcing, is a grave question. A mended article — can it ever be like a new one, or like the old one either?

To call the Revised Version a patchwork, however, would be to do it great injustice. It is a monumental work, faithful, wise both to alter and to retain, and as homogeneous, doubtless, as a revision could well be. It came at a time, too, when revision rather than new translation would best meet the age's foremost demand, and it fulfilled its primary object. From it the apprehensive common reader could know the worst; could ascertain what residuum was left after all the long-rumored claims of text, inclusion, readings and construal had been met. This was much; was, in fact, the one needed forward step. It enabled that folk's mind in which the scientific spirit of the time was creating a hunger for solid verifiable fact to readjust that body of truth which for centuries had been the world's most sacred possession. If a halo had gathered round the Authorized Version, making it unapproachable, men would by no means tear away that halo, but now they could be sure it encircled a real thing, a thing that could stand the test that men apply to other things, not a fiction or an idol. This, I think, is the service that the Revised Version preëminently rendered. And it was a great steadying element in the faith of the early eighties, when men, comparing the new with the old, found that the changes were only minutiæ after all — that the great essential body of revelation remained intact, unscathed.

III.

A comparatively simple problem of the age was thus faced and solved; but now as we follow the history of the versions onward from that point, the plot thickens. When, nearly three centuries ago, the Authorized Version was first published, it had such a self-evidencing rightness and fitness that it speedily supplanted all others. Such has not been the fortune of its successor. If it be asked how the two now stand as related to each other, I think I am not wrong in saying that while

the Revised Version stands on the library shelf as a much-valued commentary, the book that gathers the dog's-ears, that is read and cherished as a closet companion, is still the venerable version of King James. Nor can I see signs of its displacement. Why is this?

Not because the revision is poor; not because it goes too far, or does not go far enough. For all purposes of fact — to keep men from banking on a particular turn of phrase, or leaning on a passage like that about the three holy witnesses — it is adequate. But also as men read it they became aware, through the little jolts it was continually giving to the old flow of idiom, of a subtle truth hitherto unsuspected, namely, that man does not live by facts alone. Away down underneath the stratum where fact controls is a region of hidden sentiments, vital associations, subtle harmonies of imagination, feelings which twine mysteriously round the music of word and phrase; of whose very existence men are hardly cognizant until something comes in to disturb them, and yet which are so potent that the whole life is swayed by them. For centuries the Authorized Version, both by its own noble music and by the way all literature had been imbued with it, had been weaving a veritable spell of this kind about the hearts of men, and they knew not what it meant. We know; it was the power of a consummate work of literature; it was literary power. Here is a book that is more than a version; it has risen far above the wooden shifts of translation from an alien tongue; it divides honors with Shakespeare for the supreme place among the world's works of literature. Such a book, version though it be, the world cannot let die or be superseded. Its vitality, its spell, is too great. Now it was the ungracious lot of the Revised Version to break the spell. As men read it the old atmosphere was strangely gone; their moulds of vital association were constantly invaded by those little turns of amendment; it was like revising Shakespeare or Milton or Bunyan and taking out the flavor of their personality. And so, having availed themselves of its practical aid, they turned with renewed zest to their King James. The flavor of the home and of the centuries was there, it was like a familiar tune. No man also having drunk old wine straightway desireth new; for he saith, the old is better.

Thus by breaking a certain subtle spell the Revised Version did something to precipitate a deep literary consciousness, or sentiment, which was already gathering head; the second great movement of which I spoke a few minutes ago was beginning to assert itself. Along with the craving for scientific matter-of-fact men were also getting, as other centuries had not done, a sense for ideas, for the imaginative elements, the inner potencies of thought. It was not for nothing that novelists and poets, orators and essayists, had poured out the wealth of their minds for every humblest man to read. A book ceased to be that mysterious thing it once was; its author lived in the next street, and had wife and children and debts as other men had; and somehow his personality so got into his books that in reading them one also got acquainted with

him. This very domestication of literature was a potent influence to disintegrate men's iron-bound views of the Bible. A severe blow the theory of verbal inspiration had already received, when it was seen that the long-accepted form of words must be opened to the chances of revision and even rejection; and now that the common mind was entering into the springs and motives of literary thought, how could that theory maintain itself unchanged? Nay, human hands must have wrought at that Bible, too; it was not a table of stone, an oracle of thunder; it was — what was it but a work of genuinely human literature? Whatever more it was, this at least could be traced there, with all that it implies. Thus a second spell was broken, the spell by which it was becoming an impossible book; and men are learning to come close to it and talk with it, to walk with its ideas and expressions as with any others, to approach it with the comrade spirit they would accord to any author's work.

That the Bible is literature, with the forms, the artistry, the hidden vitalities of word and figure and rhythm involved in literature — this, strange to say, is a very recent discovery; and this idea it is which the latest versions and editions are engaged in naturalizing. To do so is a gradual process, for there are many sides to it. The most obvious initial step to it is to print the Bible like another book — to work the text clear of that exceeding fineness of print, those double columns, and that clutter of verse-numbers, italics, and numberless marks of marginal reference. A step toward this result was taken by the Revised Version by dividing into paragraphs instead of verses; though its paragraphs are hardly determined as real literary divisions — they are too long and cumbrous. The Cambridge Paragraph Bible is, I think, better in this regard.

When a new idea like this of the Bible as literature is introduced, it has to go through a certain stage of coltishness before it finds its true pace and place. It is apt to exploit phases of the subject which turn out to be side ideas rather than the main issue. As part illustration of this I must regard Professor Moulton's Modern Reader's Bible, which I think were better entitled The Modern Literary Student's Bible, an edition of the Revised Version in little handy volumes, with the text printed according to its literary forms, prose and poetic. As a commentary on forms it is suggestive and interesting; not always convincing; sometimes, it seems to me, what I may call twiddling. Its main service to the common reader is in helping him realize that the Bible is really a book like other books. But it does not take very far in assuring him he is reading a sonnet, or in arranging the Bible phrases like an inventory. Another aspect of this same literary coltishness, valuable as a commentary rather than as a constant companion, is seen in two versions now in process of publication: The Twentieth Century Testament, and Ferrar Fenton's New Testament in Modern English; versions in the idiom of the modern novel and business item —

as it were a translation into United States. I do not wish to disparage them; they are seriously intended, and especially on such books as St. Paul's epistles give considerable elucidation. But it seems to me they have conjured up a bogey to fight when they launch their colloquial version in the melancholy conviction, as expressed by Ferrar Fenton, "that unless the Sacred Scriptures were translated afresh into current spoken English, a belief in the Christian Religion as a Faith would perish." Surely we are not at that pass yet; have we not the Authorized Version, the sweetest, purest English in the world, a Book that has smitten itself into the mind-tissue of the centuries, as the body of Christ is fabled to smite itself into the sacrament? No rattle of colloquialism can permanently replace that, with its associatlons sacred and esthetic; it is the form of sound words which underlies and survives the commentary.

Here, I think, is where, after our excursions and experiments, we are likely to rest. I am speaking now for the common folk, the rank and file, who must get their Bible from a version. When the question what the Bible means as literature is answered and they have become adjusted to the recognition therein implied, they will still twine their affection round the Book that comes to us from the spacious age of Shakespeare and has been seasoned along with him. To all its quaintnesses and naïve archaisms their deepened sense of literature will easily adapt itself. These others, Revised Versions and new translations, will stand on the shelf for consultation; but the book of the home and heart will continue to be the Authorized Version. Only, I hope to see it in the every-day form and print of other books; to relegate those verse numbers and italics and marginal references to the occasional volume of the shelf. I do not deny that it would cause a pang to see the limber-jacket Bible go; but if along with it that smug, high-buttoned-coat, Sunday suggestion should likewise take itself away, I could survive the loss. My ideal of a Bible to read, as a weekday and workday book, with its idea free to make its way, is most nearly answered in the so-called Eversley Bible, an edition of the Authorized Version in eight convenient volumes, neither bulky or diminutive, printed with fair, open page, the chapter and verse notation omitted, italics wholly banished, paragraphs and punctuation carefully determined, and spoken words in quotation marks. This seems to be almost a symbol of the classic Bible that is to be; that shall be read as a comfort and not as a duty; that shall come into man's heart not only through the religious sense but through all the channels of taste and beauty and eloquence and imagination, as well as through the instincts of practical sense and sturdy soundness which the nineteenth century has done so much to open.

A Bible so held and so published implies another way of reading, another kind of tenure in the human heart. I dare not say it will be learned so much by rote, or that the literal accuracy of particular phrases will play so large a part as it has since the days of the homo-

ousians and the homoiousians. I dare not count overmuch on such a prevalence of the soaking-in process of meditation as we find in the good old days. Still all that desirable excellence could consist with a mere appreciation of the letter; and when the spirit of the Bible enters at every pore, and such subtle elements as made themselves felt when the jolting of revision disturbed them, there may still be something very vital left there. The version may be written deep in the heart of man, deeper even than word or dogma, just as it has proved itself to be inwoven deeply with history and literature. Let us not gather too gloomy an outlook from the seeming lack of Bible knowledge, or deplore it more than it deserves. The spirit of seventy-six and sixty-one inspired, even to supremest sacrifice, many a man who could not quote the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence. And when today every public measure, every national or neighborhood enterprise, must from every corner of the land encounter a stern plea for the spirit of Christ; when aid and sympathy leap forth unstinted to meet disaster, and schools, asylums, hospitals, parks, libraries are devised for the humble and helpless; when even in far islands wars for humanity, and plans for justice, education and industrial expansion are conceived in veritable missionary spirit; we can forgive much ignorance of the letter, much short-coming in theological doctrine; there is vital Bible there, not a fetich; a version is there that he who runs may read. To make that version more legible, a power that shall take into its swell and sweep the whole man and the whole corporate life, becoming as it were a new Word made flesh — this we may hail as the duty and the glory of the time to come.

THE PREACHING FOR THE TIMES[1]

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Mr. Moderator, Fathers and Brethren, Ladies and Gentlemen: —

Nearly four months ago a courteous invitation was received from your committee of arrangements, inviting me to speak upon the Preaching for the Times. Permit me to express publicly my appreciation of the honor conferred and to remind you all of a scene in the Holy Land.

Our Lord returns home near the close of a missionary tour in Galilee. The village folk do not care to give the young preacher a welcome. Jesus is evidently surprised, and learns a lesson in the psychology of the neighbor. The adage has become historic, and by your kind permission will be repeated in its most modern garb, as translated or paraphrased by our ablest twentieth century scholars, — a prophet is not acceptable in his own fatherland, or a prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own house. So deeply ingrained in our own con-

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sciousness has this idea become, that our first instinct is to feel that one will not be understood in the home of one's childhood. Your graceful welcome comes to me in nature of a helpful surprise. We are assembled on sacred soil. The memories of yesterday almost overwhelm me. Only yesterday the preacher of preachers was expected to supply the pulpit. Of course the chapel was crowded to hear Professor Park. We waited not in silence, for the academy boys were there. Waited to see a venerable man with emaciated form and white hair, but the face alive with Hebrew roots, enter the pulpit, explain the unavoidable absence of the learned logician, and, forgetting the boys, give as his text: "What dost thou hear, Elijah?" We boys did laugh, for we wondered why Professor Elijah Barrows chose that verse for that occasion. I have wondered ever since, but presumed it was the "preaching for the times." Like a speck in the sky forming into a cloud, gathering, contracting, breaking, so do the memories of yesterday haunt me. Only yesterday, and a minister, noted for his scholarship and long prayers, entered the pulpit. The twenty minutes had lengthened to the half hour. In modern language we would say the time was up. So thought a young boy sitting on the front seat, who, in boy fashion, found the tin pop-gun and the bean and his own mouth and very irreverently forced the bean through the tin pop-gun in such a way as to hit Professor Stowe on the nose, and thus cause a very abrupt amen. I assume the "preaching for the times" necessitated the long prayer, and the young boy was simply a little too progressive. We must not linger over mere memory, for an honored instructor in this seminary was accustomed to say to the senior class in homiletics, that reminiscence was a sign of age. I should, however, be guilty of lack of loyalty to my dear and honored father, who was so kind and gentle to his children, and whom I miss and need more today than ever before, if I did not take this opportunity to thank his pupils for the many kindly words spoken to me of his work. To think of attempting to speak about the "preaching for the times" seems as impossible as it is incongruous, in view of the life's work of Professor Austin Phelps on Andover Hill. I doubt not that the same criticism will be passed on this paper that my good father gave after hearing me read a sermon especially prepared for an occasion similar to this, — "My son, how could you be so foolish as to forget that your audience knew a great deal more about that subject than you did."

These memories become to me translated incentives, infusing new life, transforming the yesterday and today with the forever of the "foolishness" of preaching. These memories are pardonable, because they resurrect into modern garb the ideals of yesterday. We live in a modern age, with a modern faith and a modern Christ. True also that preaching always must imply the thoroughness, thoughtfulness and thankfulness of a brain that has worked its best upon the theme, a heart that has loved its best to illustrate the thought, and a soul that has lived its best to experience the truths embodied.

Preaching is character. Preaching any time, anywhere, is life. Life both in the cloister and the street, life in the tenement and the palace, life in the peculiar half truth in modern Christian Science, and the modern struggle whereby the weakest can go to the wall, but rebound with the interrogation marks of God's goodness or the inevitable law of supply and demand. Life is found wherever humanity exists, and to preach is to touch humanity. Preaching is conduct. The three sins of self-exaltation, self-promotion, self-will, are more diabolical in their tenacity than the devils of Holy Writ, and accountable for any diminution of the power of thought, or weakness of influence in the pulpit, if such exist. This three-headed monster seems to convey, convert and contract these tendencies until the distinction between the true knowledge of the prophet and his easily acquired egotism is lost. Preaching is life touching life. Egotism is the I, conscious of its own self-importance. To touch humanity means the ability to live effectively. A few years ago I entered this chapel for the purpose of greeting the newly installed Bartlett Professor. I shall never forget the hand-clasp or those eyes filled with tears, as that true friend, Professor Churchill, met me and said, — "Thank you, I shall try to teach my pupils to become true preachers of the life of self-sacrifice." An old idea was thus expressed in a new form. Our only question is this, — "What sort of preaching touches life?" Life is touched by magnetism and a much-abused idea called spirituality. Dr. Smith, in his able lectures at Yale University (no one anxious to touch life can afford to be without this book as a constant companion to the Bible), states in the introduction that "it is upon Christ's Bible and the church's Bible, Christ's fatherland and the church's fatherland, that we are called to estimate the effect of one of the most thorough intellectual processes of the time," and ends the work, as you will remember, with that beautiful wisdom vision of vice and virtue, with the forces of the universe on the side of the will that chooses virtue. "Given one pure spot and God's heart comes forth to teach, to lift, to restore." Dr. Smith thus defined spirituality for me. We shall speak in brief sentences of the magnetism and spirituality required in the preaching of the day. Above them all, like the upholding arms of the Almighty, underneath them all, like the restful presence of the Man of Galilee, must come the desire to touch the heart of God, to touch God, not in sentiment nor in bigotry, not in mere Bible reading nor in the mystery of repeating the Lord's Prayer, but in a brain able to think God's thoughts, in a mind willing to keep pace with the inevitable law of progress, in a soul competent to study constantly and thoroughly and create or recreate genuine thought, thought filled with power, because God himself lives and restores it. The preaching of the times must be magnetic. An illustration should illustrate, not arouse a sleepy audience or pander to the mental inertia of a half truth. Magnetism is power that must attract. To understand this term study again your chemistry, entering the

laboratory, analyzing Milton, Cowper or Burke, or, if suffering from insomnia, Edwards on the Will. Learn to touch life as the loadstone attracts iron. The lesson mastered will be that of quality as distinct from quantity. Pass from the study to the street, read the quack advertisements of "cures for all diseases," then some of the equally disagreeable bulletins of revival services. Enter both office and church and you will notice clergyman and physician use the same mesmeric power. One says so and charges a fee of $5.00, and the other speaks incoherently of the Holy Ghost and takes up a collection. Discern between the magnetism of the modern bar-tune gospel hymn, the wave of the hand, the hypnotism of the call to the altar and the genuine power of thought. Real life is touched by thought alone. The inactive mind may be placed into a sleep by the mesmeric clap-trap. Modern Christian Science is an evidence of the abuse of magnetic force. Many minds are too refined to be influenced by emotionalism and too exhausted for pure intellectualism, therefore yield to a peculiar psychological state that is so soothing and peaceful and restful and happy. The power of the preacher should in some way touch life as it thus becomes dormant by its own genuineness. The scientific advance along the lines of thought-transference and the biological laboratories,— yes, into the very holiest of holies of biblical lore, — has resulted in the demand for magnetic force in the pulpit; a power that implies steadiness, sturdiness and scientific stubbornness. This force is not bombastic nor autocratic nor indelicate. This influence avoids the erratic or eccentric or pugilistic. The power needed today is like the restfulness of a gentleness of demeanor that marks the true gentleman, the cultivation of brain and heart that will endure all things until the work is completed, and when finished is thorough and effective. This power is acquired by a courtesy, not in attire or demeanor alone, but in the choice of themes, the finish of our style and refinement of thought. The way to touch life is to make our people remember that we did say something, and be able to understand just what we said. To do this we must, by hard work, say something worth saying.

In closing, notice the demands of a genuine spirituality in the preaching for the times. Spirituality is so delicate and difficult a power to define or acquire that in dealing with it we cannot separate the preacher from the preaching. The two are for the moment, synonymous in thought. Spiritual preaching means a spiritual preacher. Spirituality implies candor, justice, frankness and freedom of expression. A preacher of the times must keep pace with the times in order to preach for the times. Modern spirituality never calls names, nor is the peace disturbed, or are the feelings hurt. Spirituality is deferent, reverent, loving. The saints of yesterday are honored, and the lives of yesterday are held sacred. "You wish to know if I am a Christian — then ask my bookkeeper." Thus did a successful business man define true spirituality of the day, and give us all an idea of the character of

the preaching for the times. The ideals of the Sermon on the Mount seem to some to be changed after the explosion of the Maine. The preacher for the times must obtain that breadth of view, depth of feeling, and height of power that enables him to recognize these changes and to adapt both thought and life to the demands of the day. The preacher's thought must meet the hearer's need. The Bible itself is an ever-changing panorama of God's plans, for it enables its readers to become changed from glory to glory. The people of today believe in and need a Christ as they never did before. The spiritual preaching for the times requires more of the genuine literature of faith and life. Mr. Howells spoke recently of modern writers as dealing in splutterature rather than literature. We have too much of the splutterature and too little of the literature, because we fail to fully grasp the meaning of the twentieth century spirituality. Our hobo friends are wiser than the children of light in calling ministers the "tiresome." We are prosy and do fall into ruts. There is a humdrum monotony about our thought and an unpardonable repetition of ideas. We acquire mannerisms that lack in good taste and good breeding. These faults can be remedied by acquiring the power of a progressive spirituality that is the preaching for the times. Spirituality is studiousness. The apostles' ten days waiting was not a protracted prayer-meeting. The disciples must have experienced the intensity of deep thought, the golgotha of logical doubt and selfish ambition. The apostles by study were made ready for Pentecost. Spirituality is thought, not merely emotion; a judicial mind that becomes constantly prayerful. Spirituality is the ingenuity of genius in its power of adaptation and application. The age of thought demands the artist's touch. A style of expression is required that is like a fortress that cannot be shaken. A literary fastidiousness of taste is not out of place. The preacher for the times will soon acquire the dignity of expression that makes people think, not laugh, and the beauty of humility in every word that affects character, if it does not draw a curious crowd. There is such a thing as good taste in the thought of the pulpit. Good taste, like good breeding, is ever attractive and attracting. The preaching for the times is the consciousness of the presence of Christ, the Son of Man, walking like a man in the fiery furnace, or standing by the broken-hearted, the Son of Man cooling the fevered brow and helping the perplexed brain. Spirituality is the handclasp of the Son of God, the divine transference of divine thinking, the ability to work as our Lord did, when he spent so many wakeful nights in thought and prayer. The preaching for the times is the realization of the Kingdom of God on earth. The preacher of the times, to repeat what we have said, becomes magnetic, like the loadstone, and is imbued with the power of a spirituality that implies deep thought, hard work, constant study, good breeding, refined taste, and a literary fastidiousness. The preaching for the times will place over all these accomplishments, like an "angel over the right shoulder," a consciousness of the

presence of that loveliest man who ever lived, — that noblest man who ever died, — that ablest mind that ever rose again, — that sweetest, dearest friend that ever returned with "My peace give I unto you."

Gentlemen, I thank you for remembering so kindly that Andover was the place of my birth, and listening so courteously to these words. You may be prompted to repeat to me this quotation from a Turkish nobleman addressing an inquisitive traveller. "My lamb, seek not after those things that concern thee not; thou camest unto us and we welcomed thee. Go in peace. Of a truth, thou has spoken many words and there is no harm done, for the speaker is one and the listener is another."

THE ENLISTMENT OF MEN [1]

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The topic assigned me is not of my, but of the committee's choosing. It may mean several things.

It may refer to the *recruiting of men for the ranks of the gospel ministry*. The church of today needs and must have the best men. A cheap grade of preacher and pastor will not meet the stern demands of our day. What's wanted are men not only of pure and unsullied characters and deep and clear Christian experiences, but men of steady mental poise, full and harmonious academic preparation, genuine and cosmopolitan culture and sympathy and broad and thorough theological equipment. We are told that our better college graduates are not attracted to the ministry, that they do not hear the divine voice calling them to this holy service, or if they do they are not willing that the hands that were pierced for the world's redemption should be laid upon their heads in holy ordination.

How shall we enlist such men? Not by telling them that the ministry is an easy, genteel vocation and that it affords a fine field for the development of their native powers. Such an appeal invites the selfish and the indolent, the very men we don't want. Tell the man about to graduate that the work is arduous, that there are problems innumerable to solve and that there is no task that requires greater versatility of gifts or stronger powers of endurance, or more thorough preparation. The young men of our day desire not the easy, but the difficult tasks. They know that life has few gratuities; that everything good and great must be paid for, that they must pay dearly for all they get and that they will receive well for all they pay out. And it is men who are willing to pay the price that the church needs and wants.

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How shall we enlist such men? Tell them that the church does not look with favor upon the cut-across-lot-learning-made-easy methods of entering the ministry, that it will refuse to license a man who has not had a complete theological education, and that in the case of non-graduates of college who appear to have ministerial gifts the church will insist that full ministerial standing shall be withheld until the would-be member shall satisfy the local association that he has the equivalent of a college course. In days gone by our denomination stood for a learned ministry. But today the pathways to the Congregational pulpit too frequently used are the Y. M. C. A. secretaryship, the lay college and the other denomination that does not insist upon a thorough preparation. Brethren, let us build a high fence across those pathways, let us exercise greater care in commending men to the colleges and seminaries, and do everything possible to discourage the entrance into our ministry of the incapable, unsuitable and unqualified.

How can we enlist the best men? Not by bribing them with promises of financial aid. Has not the time almost arrived when we can do away with all financial aid? Instead of aid let us give college and seminary students the opportunity to earn the necessary wherewithal by service in our down-town city churches. Except aid be carefully given it may put a premium upon incompetency; and the incompetent the church does not want. The brooding hen does not facilitate the hatching process by pecking at the shell. The young man who has got the right stuff in him will get there. His wrestling with difficulty and his struggles for a livelihood is part of his preparation. The youth who can put difficulty under assessment and convert obstacles into stepping-stones is the very one the church needs to help solve her problems.

How can we enlist the best men? Not by denouncing English and German universities as breeding-places of heresy, not by putting a prohibitive tariff upon imported thought, not by sneering at thoroughgoing scholarship, not by talking in terms of contempt of higher criticism, but by encouraging a broad, sympathetic attitude toward a painstaking and unwearied investigation of all truth. Tell the young men that the church is neither afraid for the truth or afraid of it, that it will freely recognize and appreciate truth wherever found, and by whoever taught, that it does not believe in the forcible suppression of any idea, and that it holds the truth of infinitely more value than any opinion that may be entertained regarding it.

How can we enlist the best men? Tell the young men that whatever other denominations may do, our denomination will not tolerate sensational clap-trap and kindergarten methods in its pulpit, that the Congregational ministry is neither a sensationalist, a showman, or a common scold. And that when the church degenerates into an entertainment bureau and the minister into a professional entertainer, that there are a number of us that will hand in our credentials and refuse to trifle with a sacred calling. Tell them that we distinguish between emotional

twaddle and the quickening truth of the gospel. Any verbal tinker can, by pulling out the tremolo stop of his voice, so tell a tearful story about a baby's pair of shoes that it will moisten the lachrymal glands of his audience. But the preaching of foolishness is not the foolishness of preaching. God did once call upon an ass — Balaam's ass, you remember, to preach — but he does n't repeat the experiment when He can get better material.

If, in addition to thus safeguarding our sacred calling, we tell the young men of the many-sidedness and nobility and joy of it all, that there is no art that compares with that of the cure and care of souls, and that there is no service that compares with the making and mending of men, the best young men of our day will gravitate to the ministry as naturally and as easily as the magnetic needle turns to the polar star.

The topic assigned me may refer to the *disproportion between the sexes in the membership of our churches*. In our own denomination the proportion of women to men is a little more than two to one; in the Methodist and Baptist churches it is significantly a little larger. In the last report of the Suffolk West Conference it is reported that the churches of that conference have 2,779 male members and 5,633 female members; that is, there are twice as many women as men in the churches of the conference. It is noticeable that in many of our churches the work is performed in the main by the women. God bless the women! we cannot get along without them, even if sometimes we cannot get along with them. If Paul were alive he would not write, "help these women," but get these women to help you. Too frequently it is true that

> In the world's broad field of battle, in the bivouac of life,
> You will find the Christian soldier represented by his wife.

Various reasons have been given for this disproportion. It is said that the industrial pressure is such that men have little time and strength for church work and worship. But the industrial pressure does not prevent the remarkable growth in number and in membership of clubs, lodges, benefit and insurance orders, in which men only are members. It is also said that the men are out of sorts with the church because of her indifference to the social, political and economic problems of the day. There may be just a grain of truth in that statement, but the chief cause of this much-to-be deplored disproportion must be sought elsewhere.

Is it because women are more religious than men? No. We cannot but believe that God created as much religious capacity in one sex as the other, though he may have lodged that capacity in different faculties in men than in women. It is sometimes said that women are more impressionable; that woman being the finer and more delicate organism she was more suggestible than man. But by that statement it is not meant that she is more inherently religious than man, but that she responds more feelingly than man to the religious appeal. Man's nature is stirred

just as deeply, and his spiritual possibilities are just as infinite, when the gospel is preached unto him, but it is not the same faculties and powers that are stirred. Professor Starbuck in his Psychology of Religion says: "While the desire for the better life is equally prominent in both sexes, feelings play a larger part in the religious life of females, while males are controlled more by intellection and volition; females are controlled more from without, while males are controlled from within." Professor Coe in his Spiritual Life says: "Religion seems to be a sort of atmosphere in the life of women — something all-pervasive and easily taken for granted; with men it is more sharply defined, brings greater struggles and tends more to climacteric periods. Women respond more feelingly and in some respects more continuously, but men more energetically and with a higher potential of self-conscious reflection and choice." Now the charge made by the psychologists against the ministry is, that in large measure our methods, and in some measure our message, are adapted to reach and influence the woman rather than the man. And the charge, I think, is true. Take the matter of pastoral work. Among what class is that work almost altogether done? Is it not among the women, the class that needs it least? Among what class do we do little or no pastoral work? Among the men, the class that needs it most. For if experience, observation and psychology have made anything clear it is this — six times as many females as males experience conversion in public gatherings, while twice as many males as females are converted in the quiet of the home. Men, as a rule, desire to see their way clearly, they are handicapped by doubts, the fight is a long one and the surrender, when it comes, is not so much affectional as volitional; it is a matter of choice and decision, and a tactful, resourceful pastor can help the man make the right choice. How can we enlist men? Psychology says, more pastoral work among men.

Take the matter of the prayer-meeting. We are fond of saying that the prayer-meeting is the thermometer of the church's spiritual life. The ordinary view of a successful prayer-meeting is one in which a large number of persons take part, and the more personal the testimony, the better. Now, I believe in witness-bearing and I believe there is great helpfulness in the redeemed telling one another what the Lord has done in and for them. But we all know substantial, influential men; men of irreproachable character and moral earnestness, who will not wear their hearts on their sleeves and who will not give any expression of their inner personal life before others. They have neither time or liking for the cultivation of religious moods. They write holiness unto the Lord upon all their business practices, but would feel out of place in a holiness meeting. The church, where every mid-week meeting puts a premium upon personal experience, makes no appeal to such men, and the men make no response to the church. They believe in the church, attend and support it, but they are a not part of it. How can we enlist such men? Give opportunity for the discussion of practical questions

as well as for the expression of personal experience at the social and devotional meetings of the church. Organize the men for definite service. It is said that there are twenty times as many organizations of women as men in our churches.

Professor Coe, in the exceedingly suggestive book to which I referred, as much as says that the pulpit has been preaching a one-sided gospel — a feminine gospel. It has appealed to those qualities in which women excel and which are not prominent in men. It has held up as worthy of imitation a type of sainthood which would appeal to women and to which women could respond. Feeling, sensibility, contemplation, self-analysis, prayer and ecstasy are the traits it has said compose spirituality, but again, these are traits that exist more in women than in men. Professor Coe's study of the Methodist Hymnal is most interesting. Of eighty-one hymns on the subject of Christ, only eight have to do with his life and character. But even these speak of his passive virtues. Not one hymn speaks of Christ's energy, strength, courage, forcefulness — traits that make up what Thomas Hughes calls "the manliness of Christ." Brethren, is this charge true? Have we been placing sufficient emphasis upon the masculine and practical aspects of the religion of Jesus? Have we been insisting upon all possessing traits that can be possessed only by a part of humanity? Christ is the universal man. He is strong and virile, as well as gentle and tender. He is forceful and brave, as well as patient and meek. In him, all the virtues are correlated. His character is a harmony of blended opposites. In him every soul quality is balanced and harmonized with every other. Everything is faultlessly tempered together, energy with patience, dignity with tenderness, forbearance toward the guilty with indignation at the wrong, the fortitude and courage of a martyr, with the fineness and sensibility of a woman, the ripe experience of the sage, with the artlessness of the child.

How can we enlist men? Preach him in his fulness, richness, beauty and power. Preach a masculine gospel.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH[1]

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The limited time at the writer's disposal for the consideration of a very large theme, makes necessary the selection of only one or two of the many possible points of view from which the organization of the church may be surveyed. I shall, therefore, attempt no treatment of the philosophy of the matter, but approach the subject from the prac-

[1] See page 28.

tical standpoint and endeavor to make certain suggestions from the results of limited experience.

The church must be organized. The minister must be an organizer. In the time not long gone by, the minister, we are told, was a good man in dressing-gown and slippers, who spent his placid hours in his study pondering high themes of predestination and the atonement, or else pursued his leisurely perigrinations among the people, where he was always a welcome guest. I never saw this man. He is in the books now, but in the parishes no longer. His successor does these things, but he is also the platform speaker at conventions, the champion of civic righteousness, and the ecclesiastical Napoleon in the art of organizing his parish.

But when we speak of the working church as an organized body, and the minister as an organizer, let us seek to safeguard ourselves from a serious error at the outset. We must remember that the word we are using is only an analogy. We can speak of the body of the fish as an organism and we are in no danger of being misunderstood. But the group of persons who make up a church belong in another category. And, while we may venture to carry our analogy from the lower to the higher, we must not allow ourselves to apply the laws of the natural organism to the organized church without careful discrimination. Professor Henry C. King has said recently upon this very point, "It is the most adequate analogy that nature furnishes us. . . . But, after all is said, it is still only an analogy from nature, and quite inadequate to set forth all the life of the spirit in itself and its personal relations. We are spirits, not organisms, and society is a society of persons, not an organism."

I wish to emphasize this. *Personal* relations displace *organic* relations in the church to such an extent that we dare not carry over the laws of the lower sphere into the higher without we observe this distinction.

Therefore personality is greater than organization. Indeed, time after time the organization *is* the man. A pastor said to me, only recently, "My Young People's Society is working and growing now, for we have found a leader." The pastor who is the most successful organizer is not he who inaugurates a new society or discovers a novel method; it is really he who enlists a man, inspires a person, and makes someone a leader. The person is of supreme importance.

But now, using the analogy with a full sense of the limits in its application, what is an organism? It is a "body composed of different parts performing special functions that are mutually dependent and essential to life." The point to be kept clearly in mind at the outset is the supremacy of life. The vital force is the essential thing. Just as the rose-life, every bit as mysterious as the divine life in the soul of man, reaches outward and downward and takes from the earth and atmosphere the elements which it needs to build up the rose organism; so,

we learn from the analogy, the divine life in the Christian people, working to social expression, takes the elements which are necessary for that expression and builds them into the church organization. The truly organized church has organized spontaneously. The pastor who would organize his church in the true sense will therefore begin back at the point of inspiration; he will endeavor to lead his church into a new apprehension of vital relations to the living Christ, and thus evoke the force that builds. The organized church does not have institutions imposed upon it; it creates institutions answering the nature of its own life. The pastor's problem is not to discover a new method; it is to lead his church to a new vision.

Since, therefore, the personal spiritual life of each congregation determines its organization, there is no one scheme of plans or societies which is suited to the needs of all congregations. Institutions which are thus designed and adopted partake of the nature of ready-made clothing, which is made to fit everybody and does not fit anyone. It is necessary to alter and refit, and even then it is true in the matter of organizations, as in the matter of clothing, that the only satisfactory suit is the one that is made according to the need and measure of each subject. The ready-made system has brought blessings with it. But it is not the ideal. I believe that the pastor will work out his own plans and make his own adaptations according to the special needs of his own field. It takes wisdom and patience, but it is the only true way in which to organize a church.

Let us endeavor now to outline three marks of an organized church, using the analogy for suggestion. Once more, the definition: — the organized church is a systematic union of individual Christian people in a body, whose officers and members work together for a common end.

The first note of the truly organized church, therefore, is its unity in *purpose* and *work*. The unity of purpose is most fundamental. This underlies unity in endeavor and inspires it. Both are essential.

It may be that the outward signs of the true life of the church may display here and there a break and a discord. But the point to be kept uppermost in the pastor's thought and plan is the inner unity of purpose on the part of the people. I have little hope for objective church unity in organizations; I believe in the denominations; I am a Congregationalist and am not ready to be absorbed, assimilated or otherwise unified on the basis of any Lambeth articles or anything else. The church of Brewster and Robinson had a work to do at the beginning of the seventeenth century and that work is not yet completed. But, while I am convinced that external unity of institutions is a name only, I believe in the true unity of the Christian people in the Kingdom of God. The unity of the spirit in the bond of peace is a mighty reality.

So in the individual congregation we must hold fast the essential thing — the spiritual unity of a common purpose. So long as this persists, dim or clear, the organization is true.

But it must not remain an ideal. It must pass into a rule of life; it must become a law of conduct. The common purpose must result in a common practice. There must be unity of aim and unity of effort.

Every sermon, therefore, is a part of the pastor's organizing enterprise. We have been accustomed to speak of a minister as a good organizer according to the number of new societies that he inspires or the variety of the institutions which he can dominate. But this is only the objective and superficial side of his work. Whenever a sermon stirs the common life of the people to greater unity in aim and effort, the pastor has performed definite and precious organizing work.

Naturally the resulting institution will be a unity. But not because any pastor or representative of any society has made it so. The objective unity of the institution is the simple manifestation of the inner unity of purpose.

The second note of the truly organized church is the realization of that mutual dependence on the part of all the units or members which compose it. How true it is that we are "many members, but one body"; that we are "members one of another"! The ideal of an individual in society, of unity in diversity, holds in the organized church. The sense of personal responsibility is the lost note in our church organizations. We are in bondage to committees. We are suffering from the paralysis of delegated responsibility. One clear-headed, consecrated worker, who sees the thing to be done, feels that he ought to do it, and then goes ahead and does it — one such man in any church is worth a dozen committees gone to sleep.

Sometimes I think the committee is the greatest mischief we have to contend with. We evoke it, organize it, pass over our personal tasks to it, and that is all.

In the truly organized church this sense of mutual dependence and responsibility is keen and persistent. There is no shirking, no dallying, no delay. Each member sees the thing to be done and goes ahead to do it.

The number and complexity of societies has nothing to do with this note which we are now discussing. A church could be a true organization, and have no societies at all, if it were alive to this matter of unity and mutual dependence. The church is not over-organized; it is over-institutioned. The way out of our troubles is through a stronger emphasis upon personal responsibility for independent action. Elbert Hubbard's "Message to Garcia" needs to be read in our churches as well as in our schools.

And so I pass to the third mark of the truly organized church — the simplicity and adjustment of its institutions. I believe that this is true, — the simpler the institution through which the ideal is expressed, the more perfect and satisfactory will be the result. We tend to undertake too much and to make our organizations too elaborate. May I illustrate from the use of a mechanism? The most desirable reel for a fisherman

is the one which has the fewest number of parts, but with each part built upon honor and running with the least possible friction. Otherwise, with too many parts to rust, clog or to be thrown out of adjustment, the fisherman is likely to find that his tackle plays him false just when he has fairly hooked his finest trout or largest bass.

The purpose of the pastor and of the working church is to catch men. It needs to have the means which it uses trustworthy at every point. Too many agencies are fatal; the work falls undone between them.

Take this matter of maintaining meetings. It requires time, strength and great wisdom to carry on a meeting well. And we have somehow gained the idea that there is a special virtue in meetings to such an extent that we have lost our true sense of proportion. When a Woman's Missionary Society, a Young Woman's Mission Circle, a Boy's Mission Band, and a Missionary Committee of the Y. P. S. C. E. are all struggling in one church to hold meetings and keep up "interest in missions," it is time for the advent of a Congregational Pierpont Morgan to form a missionary meeting trust in that church, relieve the congestion and reduce the expenses. One society, one meeting, alive and aggressive, is worth more than all this struggling effort on the part of from two to four organizations.

Let us strive to return to a greater degree of simplicity, to the end that we may attain a greater efficiency, in our church life and work.

In conclusion, let us attempt to outline a test by which we may perhaps determine the place and value of the institutions which we either find or establish in the churches. There are four great functions in the church which may be differentiated under its comprehensive purpose to save men or to realize the Kingdom of God. They are worship, instruction, fellowship and work. Each of these must be performed freely and constantly. They are mutually dependent. Sometimes they are united. But sometimes they must be discharged by different organs.

The great function of worship is discharged through the public services of the church.

Instruction is carried on by means of preaching, pastor's class and mission study.

The fellowship of the church is realized by means of the social meetings and fraternal gatherings.

The practical work of the church is done through the benevolent societies and all the agencies which have for their purpose the practical illustration of the gospel.

By these four functions I have been accustomed to test the value of church institutions. In this test it is also necessary to consider the ages of the members of the congregation, according to the great epochs which mark the changes in the spiritual life. With such a plan of classification it is possible to avoid the conflicts and fill up the gaps which we find in our churches.

The limit of my time makes it impossible for me to present such a

classification of our common church organizations. But it can be made quite easily.

Thus I have sought to make only these points. Let me resume them:

1. The danger in the use of the analogy and the supremacy of personal, spiritual forces in the church.

2. The emphasis upon life and the weakness of attempting to use, without adjustment, the scheme of any general society.

3. The unity in purpose and effort; the diversity and mutual dependence; the simplicity of parts in the truly organized church.

And, finally, we proposed a test of institutions according to the functions of worship, instruction, fellowship and work which the church must discharge.

And in all that I have said I have had before my mind constantly that ideal of all true churchmanship, that common thought which we hold with catholic Christendom,

"The Church, which is His body."

THE CARE OF THE CHURCH FOR ITS YOUNG PEOPLE[1]

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The measure of care which the church will bestow upon its young people, will depend upon the theory of the significance of human life which it holds. In former years the supreme effort of the church was directed toward rescue. It is related that the bishop of the diocese addressed Phillips Brooks' first confirmation class in Boston to this effect:— "Your situation, young men and women, is that of writhing worms in the middle of a great circle of unquenchable fire, which every moment threatens to consume you. Your doom is sealed; but today a great hand reaches down from the skies and draws you to a place of safety." Not unnaturally this conception often produced a depressing effect upon the rescued. He was saved indeed, but he could never forget the horrors of the pit from which he had been drawn. The dolorous plea of the redeemed saint was to be made only "a broken and an empty vessel."

If it is true that the duty of the church toward humanity is fulfilled in snatching the individual from a dreadful doom and in setting the soul in passable order to meet its God, by a kind of spiritual house-cleaning, then very little care beyond the great initial effort will be necessary. I do not say that the duty of the church is not that of rescue. I believe

[1] See page 23.

profoundly that Jesus Christ died on the cross to save a sinful world from terrible loss. No Calvinist of the old school could be more emphatic upon this point. But I believe that this is only a small part of the work of the church for humanity. The church has today, thank God, a new and splendid conception of the significance of human life, a new conception of the importance of service in the Kingdom of God, of the utilization of personal character, of the conservation of the divine energy of life. The appeal today is less to self-consciousness, and more to world-consciousness. A man is saved, but saved to what? — not to a life of introspection and repining and gloom, nor to a complacent satisfaction in his own salvation. He is saved to manhood and to power, to stand upon his feet in God's sunshine and rejoice in the work which God has given him to do.

Especially important is this new view in regard to the young people of the church. We no longer make one class of humanity outside the church, and place the mark of Cain upon the forehead of the infant as well as upon the brow of the murderer in the dock. We believe in a salvation to righteousness as well as in a salvation from sin. We do not neglect a child until he is lost and then expect him to be saved by a miraculous interposition of divine grace. We believe that the child of the church is God's child by divine birthright. We watch over him with anxious solicitude, lest he stray from the fold. We train him carefully from the earliest years, and send him out at maturity upon the king's highway, equipped for service, ready for battle, with such a brave song in his heart as Browning: —

> "Look not thou down, but up!
> To uses of a cup,
> The festal board, lamp's flash and trumpet's peal,
> The new wine's foaming flow,
> The master's lips aglow!
> Thou, heaven's consummate cup,
> What needst thou with earth's wheel?"

No change in human thought is more important than the return to Christ's conception of the significance of life and the value of a man. What God's training may be in heaven we do not know. Our duty is to make the most and the best of every life which comes within the circle of our influence here and now. Our duty is to see that every life approaches as nearly as possible to the ideal of life which Christ sets before us: which is the greatest individual perfection with the largest measure of service for others. Our problem with our young people is like the problem of the ship-builder. He has a certain amount of raw material which he must convert, with the least waste, into power. Think of the miracle of human energy and skill which changes iron ore into triple expansion engines, and sends the ship out at last, to be the shuttle of steel which weaves the fabric of commerce between continent and continent. Now, we are to take the raw material of human life and

convert it, with the least waste, into the spiritual enginery which shall weave the great shining garment of spiritual life in the looms of God.

The most serious defect in the old system was the appalling waste of personal energy in a purely subjective religious experience. The soul sometimes literally burned itself out in the fires of its own morbid speculation and self-examination. Self-examination is a good thing, but a perpetual gazing at one's self in a spiritual looking-glass is good for neither body nor soul. It is true that there must be a personal religious experience, but that experience should not end in spiritual melancholia.

The type of character which we wish to produce in the church is one which is strong, tender, resolute, resourceful, rich in all those varied elements which made up the character of Jesus. In order to produce this type there must be the most careful education of the child, both as an end in itself and to secure the greatest results in the Kingdom of God. This training must extend throughout all the period of growth. I do not attempt to distinguish between the care of the church for the child and its care for the young people. There must be a continuous and progressive training from the hour in which the child is entrusted to the care of the church on to maturity.

Every method which we use, every organization which we employ should be tested with reference to the results which we expect to attain. The superintendent of a cotton mill is expected to produce certain definite results in quantity and quality of goods at the lowest cost consistent with good workmanship. The law applies equally well to spiritual values. God expects the church to produce certain definite results in character and service; our theories and our theologies must be reconstructed, if necessary, to this end. If results are not attained, then something is wrong, and we must know the reason for the failure.

It seems to me that the training which we give our young people is top-heavy, on the purely intellectual side. We expect too much from a mechanical study of the Bible. I do not mean to intimate that we can have too much study of the Bible of the right kind, but the Bible is much more than the historical data which it contains. It is life and light, and somehow that life must be made to vivify, and that light to illumine, human life. A child may learn the lessons in its carefully prepared "Quarterly" to perfection; it may submit to catechetical instruction until it can repeat the Westminster Catechism with parrot-like accuracy, and emerge from the process a little barbarian at heart. Somehow we must interpret the Bible for the child in terms of character, somehow we must furnish a spiritual motive which is adequate and comprehensible. We must mould and shape the character during the years of adolesence, as the sculptor moulds his clay. This involves more than the hearing of stated lessons once a week, with such mild morals as the teacher may be pleased to add. In the old New England families there used to be made a mysterious decoction of various herbs,

sulphur and molasses, which was given to each child indiscriminately, as a spring medicine. If a child was sick it was good for what was the matter, if the child was well, it was given against the time of need. That is the way in which we instruct our children in the church. It makes no difference what the mental capacity or the physical environment, or the spiritual attainment of a child may be. Each child must pass through the same mechanical course of Bible study, and we expect the result to be beautiful and holy and symmetrical characters. While the public school is moving as rapidly as possible toward diversity of teaching and individuality of instruction, we continue to make a fetich of uniformity. I believe that the human life which beats with mighty pulse beneath the Bible story, which struggles and fears, and sins and hopes, and hates and loves, is of far more importance than the letter of the narrative. Let the child study the Bible and memorize the great passages of its literature, until the beauty of its diction sings itself into the memory, until the matchless poetry of its utterance stimulates and awakens the imagination, until the inspired fervor of its faith colors the warp and woof of the spiritual and intellectual life. That is right and important. But you must do more than that. You must study the personal needs of the growing life. You must know the perplexities and sorrows and hunger of the sensitive heart, and by the power of your own Christ-filled personality you must stamp the image of Jesus upon the plastic soul-material before you. You must never forget that the child is infinitely precious in the sight of God, that the loss of its influence on the side of right, if lost it be in later years, will make humanity poorer. You must feel that the potential hero, prophet, martyr, are perhaps wrapped up in that unfolding soul-seed, and you are allowed only brief time at best to give those latent possibilities, the direction which shall permit them to reach full fruition, for this world and the world to come. In general, the training of the child should be less after the pattern of the school and more after the pattern of the home, less general, more personal, less mechanical, more spiritual. The great aim must be to discover individual tendencies and needs, to prevent waste, to supply deficiencies, to encourage virtues, to develop a healthy, sane, well-balanced, resourceful, Christian character.

Such character must be trained not alone for the activities of the church, but for definite service in the kingdom of God. At the present time the church gives little or no such training to its young people. There has been in recent years a reconstruction of theology, but there has been no general recognition of the fact that a reconstruction of society is demanded by the return to the simplicity of the teaching of Jesus, and the emergence of the broader conceptions of human brotherhood. Our ideas of the meaning of personality have splendidly broadened, but we are apparently not quite prepared to carry the new ideas of the worth of a man to their logical conclusion in the life of society.

Under the old conception of the relation of the Christian to the world

no training except in preparedness to die was necessary. The idea was that of separation. "Come ye out." "Be ye separate." The church was an intrenched camp in the the midst of a hostile world in arms. There were two worlds, the religious and the secular. A man could live in both, or rather he could pass from one world to the other, but there was to be no mingling of the two. The religious experience was one thing, the life of business, politics, society, quite another. There were beautiful characters in spite of this theory, but it also often resulted in a terrible breaking down of the moral fibre, a deadening of the conscience which was nothing short of appalling. Lowell's picture of the deacon in "Fitz Adams Story" is not overdrawn:—

> "His store looked righteous, should the Parson come,
> But in a dark back room he peddled rum;
> And eased Ma'am Conscience, if she e'er would scold,
> By christening it with water ere he sold."

This theory enabled the New England merchant of fifty years ago to sit in his pew on Sunday with a perfectly easy conscience, while his slave-ship was crossing the Atlantic, her stiffling hold packed with a thousand negroes, suffering the horrors of hell, in the middle passage.

It is needless to say that no such duality of life is taught by Jesus. Life is one and indivisible. The ethics of the church must be the ethics of the market-place. No hocus-pocus of a perverted philosophy can ever make the same deed both right and wrong. No such thing is possible as one standard of morality for the individual and another for the nation.

This principle means more than the development of a passive morality. It involves the active participation of the Christian in all the forms in which life manifests itself, with the avowed purpose to destroy and reconstruct, until the City of God rises out of the ruins of selfishness and paganism.

This view of life places a new responsibility upon the church in its relation to its young people. The church is no longer a place for the exhibition of peculiar virtues, a museum of mummified morality. The church, to use that splendid figure of Milton's, is the workshop of God, the central point of power in the community from which shall be radiated light and love. But we must have special training for special service. Which is really of more importance, that a child should know the exact dimensions of Noah's Ark or the fundamental ethical distinctions between right and wrong in relation to the life of the community in which he lives? We must get all the wisdom we can from the past, but we must not forget that "new occasions make new duties." You cannot teach the child of today the geography of the United States from a map published at the close of the Revolution. We have our own problems to face and something besides ancient history must go into their solution. The God who inspired Abraham waits to inspire us, but his leading will

be in a new direction, in accordance with the progressive development of his purpose.

Let us consider this necessity for a special training of our young people in its broadest aspect; in the field of missions. The motive for missions is not now simply to save a few brands from the burning. The obligations of brotherhood send us out to redeem, yes, but also to lay broad and deep the foundations of Christian society. We are entering upon a critical period in the history of missions; a period in which there is danger that the glamour of romance may be lost in the difficulties of construction. But we cannot abandon the work. The missions in China must not be abandoned. The blood of its martyred saints must not make its appeal in vain. But the work will require years of reconstruction and reconciliation. How shall we maintain the interest in this difficult task? How better than by the education of the young people of the church, upon a broad and constructive basis.

I should like to take that picture of Deacon Wau of the First Congregational church in Pekin and his quaint little family, with the account of their escape from the Boxers recently published in the Congregationalist, as the text of a Sunday-school lesson with a class of young people. Listen to the words of that father to his children:—

"My children, your father would suffer for you if he could, but he cannot. The Boxers will ask you if you are Christians; if you say no, they they will let you off; if you say yes, they will kill you; but that only means suffering for a little and then we will be with Jesus." The children one after the other said,—"I will say I am a Christian. I love Jesus. I am not afraid to die."

Do you know anything finer than that in all the long history of Christian heroism? I think that it would be at least as edifying to Christian young people as the account of the campaigns of Joshua. Again let me emphasize the necessity of Bible study, but can we not make such selection of our material and so improve our methods that we shall have time for instruction in the divinely significant life of today as the glory of Christ's Kingdom broadens and expands in human experience?

Missions are but one department of the Christian activity of today; the work at home is no less important and significant. Thy Kingdom come we pray, but we are beginning at last to realize that the only way in which it can come is by active participation in the struggle for the betterment of society. This is the age not of theology but of the social question. The church is at the parting of the ways. The time has come for us to decide whether we shall continue to teach our children that the best that they can do is to make their own lives little garden spots in the midst of the desert, or whether we shall put tools into their hands and tell them to go out in God's name and for the sake of humanity to reclaim the desert and make it to blossom like the rose.

I think that no one would be willing, today, to go back to the old monastic principle of separation from the world, but if we accept the

broader principle of a universal accountability on the basis of brotherhood, of an indivisible Kingdom of God, then we must be prepared to accept the consequences. We cannot begin too soon that elementary instruction in practical righteousness which is the basis of all social progress. We need catechetical instruction in civic righteousness quite as much as in metaphysical distinctions. We seem to think that in a democracy there is some vast, vague, evolutionary force which makes for righteousness. The only force which ever makes for righteousness is incarnated in the personalities of men and women who are living after the pattern of Jesus. We talk about the duties of Christian citizenship, but where is the child to learn Christian citizenship if he never has any instruction in its principles? What is Christian citizenship except the application of the teachings of Jesus to life, and where better can that be taught than in the church which professes to be the living exemplification of the spirit of the Master? This is the age of utility, of power. What is the church for? What can it do? This is the challenge which the world makes, and makes with perfect propriety. Unless the church can do more than develop the sickly flower of a self-centered and effeminate type of emotional religion it does not justify its existence; it is no worthy successor of that valiant company of saints and heroes "who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens." Professor Peabody in his Jesus Christ and the Social Question says: "Never before has the world seen the mechanism of the social order adapted as it now is for the conveyance of social energy. The ample channel thus provided waits for the power of the Christian life, and as the sufficient stream leaps forth into the varied activities of the world, it sings as it flows, 'I came that they might have life, and have it abundantly.'"

This is the opportunity of the church of today. The lives which God has given to us in our young people constitute a reservoir of power. It is the duty of the church to develop that power and to use it for Christ and the church. We are to fill these lives with devotion to Jesus, and then send them out into the world to redeem it, to destroy the evil, to conserve the good, to rescue the fallen, to turn darkness into light, until the prophecy of the ages is fulfilled in a new heaven and a new earth.

THE MODERN CHURCH PRAYER-MEETING[1]

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It is not necessary here to discuss theories of prayer. It is sufficient for the disciples of Christ to know that he prayed, alone, with his disciples, and before the multitude; that he encouraged his disciples to pray, in secret and unitedly, promising large spiritual rewards to those who assembled in his name. The promise of Jesus holds for the modern church: "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them."

The early church, whose membership had been in personal touch with Jesus, needed after his ascension to retire to an upper room for protracted prayer. There Peter addressed the brethren (the number present being about a hundred and twenty) on the facts of Christ's life; and an apostle was chosen by the church, and as they were all with one accord in one place, they were filled with the Holy Ghost. The church prayer-meeting is still the place of power and the college for apostles. We should not, therefore, forsake the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is.

Furthermore, Jesus has given us warning, precept, and example as to the nature of the prayer that prevails in his Sermon on the Mount, the parable of the Pharisee and the publican, and at the institution of the Lord's Supper. Prayers should not be too long, indirect, indefinite, and circumlocutory. It is a good thing for the modern church prayer-meeting to rid itself as soon as possible of the Pharisees and hypocrites, the traitors and spies, of the formal, perfunctory and ceremonious elements; and make it a place of freedom, light and joy, of Christian conversation, holy meditation, and unrestrained prayer and praise, a place of the largest possible Christian freedom to speak, or pray, or sing, as the Spirit directs and gives utterance.

The church needs today the spirit of prayer and time for prayer. With the increase of activities, the multiplication of societies, and the rapidity of transportation, the members of the church need to meet oftener for prayer, praise, testimony, and edification, for united prayer and Christian fellowship.

There are several circumstances worth noting in the modern church prayer-meeting: —

(1) As to the place. — The church prayer-meeting should be in the

[1] See page 23.

meeting-house, which has been consecrated not merely by the formal service of dedication but by the prayer and praise of the church; and it should be held in the most convenient, commodious and attractive room, apart from the auditorium, preferably on the ground floor, to avoid descending to an underground vestry or ascending to a sky-parlor. This room or vestry, should be beautiful and attractive in color and design, thoroughly ventilated, well lighted by electric lights if possible; for gas or kerosene heats, stifles and stupefies. The minister and congregation may speedily be asphyxiated by gas and foul air, while an electric shock may wake them up. The room should be comfortably warm in winter and cool in summer. If a church can afford coal for winter, it ought to afford electric fans, ice water and lemonade for summer, so that the room may be kept at such a normal temperature that the attendants at the services may be unconscious of heat, cold, or draughts. The janitor should be an expert, a Christian gentleman — the pastor's associate — who will have the room well ventilated, lighted and cleaned.

This room should have beautiful religious pictures on the walls, not only reproductions of the masters like Raphael and Rubens but also good portraits of some of the saints of the local church, both living and dead. It may well have some potted plants, comfortable chairs, and everything to make it seem like a well-furnished home, neither rich nor gaudy, but comfortable. There is no more virtue in straight-back settees, uncomfortable seats, dingy walls, dirty floors, poor light, and foul air for modern Christians than hair-shirts and dark cells for ancient Christians. "That is not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural."

This room should be furnished with a good piano, in tune, and played by an expert pianist who neither drags, races, nor spurts, and the singing should be led by one or more of the best singers that can be found in the church who will keep time with the pianist. And it should be abundantly supplied with the best hymn-books, containing not only the old hymns of the church but the best and brightest modern music, without too many selections in a minor strain. These books should be clean, well-bound, and complete; and should be discarded when they have ceased to be neat and complete, cleanliness is next to godliness in all the appointments of the modern church prayer-meeting.

This room should also be abundantly supplied with Bibles, preferably the Revised Version, well-bound, typographically attractive, so that in the clear light of this well-appointed room, where the church committee is not afraid to spend money for light, all may read the Word of Light.

This room should be open for those who come early and should not have the lights turned out immediately after the benediction. It will be a place where people will love to come early to greet one another, and will linger even after the last "Amen" to encourage one another.

And if a church-stable is needed in the country to accommodate the horses of those worshippers who come by horse and carriage, the modern

church should have a convenient bicycle-room, where the bicycles will be safe without lining up the vestry walls with the silent steed; and men and women may safely be encouraged to come a-wheel to church.

In addition to the use of the church vestry for the prayer-meetings, it will be wise frequently to have prayer-meetings in the church which is in the home of some Priscilla and Aquila who may belong to the Home Department and cannot attend church. In many of our cities and towns, where the members of the church are widely scattered, weekly or fortnightly meetings might profitably be held in the homes in different sections; so that the church with its spiritual uplift could go to those who are shut in and unable to attend the prayer-meeting in the church. The church must not, cannot, confine its services of worship to its own walls; but should go, through its living membership, with its cheer and help, to the weary and worn business men, the tired and busy mothers, the discouraged and helpless invalids, in the home; that the church may know that it is not confined in its worship, work, or power to the church building or its frequenters. The church is larger than any place, more than any room; and its prayer-meetings must not be confined to one place, however sacred, nor to one time, however convenient. The church which is in the home needs to be magnified and glorified, and a wise use of the church prayer-meeting in the homes will arouse the spirit of family worship and deepen the spiritual life of the church.

(2) As to the time.—The church should have as many prayer-meetings each week as it can afford, without religious dissipation or neglect of other duties. There should certainly be a church prayer-meeting on the Lord's Day, where the church members and others interested may express the thoughts which have impressed them during the day, and where the fruits of the day may be gathered up in testimony, prayer and conversation.

A profitable prayer-meeting may be held in the morning before the regular service of worship. Let all come who will. It will be a good preparation for pastor and people. The morning service may not properly be called a prayer-meeting, though with profit this service may occasionally be turned into a prayer-meeting. The Sunday school can hardly be called a prayer-meeting, though occasionally with great profit the whole Sunday school may be turned into a prayer-meeting; and during the meeting, or at the close of the meeting, opportunity should be given for "decision" for Christ.

The Christian Endeavor Society in most churches holds its prayer-meeting on Sunday, though some other day would be better in order to impress in every possible way upon the young people that prayer-meetings and religious services are not to be confined to, or limited by, Sunday. It will be difficult later to get young people to a mid-week service who have always been allowed or encouraged to have their meetings on Sunday, because they have so many engagements and so many dates fixed for the week-nights. The Junior Endeavor Society, or Christian

Nurture Society, or Pastor's Class of Children and Youth from the public schools, may be held some week-day after school, so that the boys and girls may realize that the church and school co-operate, and that the church is to train them up in the knowledge and fear of God. This, too, is a church prayer-meeting. The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, the Junior Endeavor Society, and kindred organizations are not to be lightly esteemed by pastor or church. The Junior Endeavor Society is the prospective church at prayer and study.

But, after all this has been said, there ought to be on the Lord's Day, preferably as the last service of the day, a church prayer-meeting. In this important meeting, which should be short, each one should be encouraged to express some thought which has impressed him during the day, in the services of worship, the Sunday school, or in his private devotions. The pastor may take the last few minutes in gathering together these random thoughts and driving home one thought at least. In the distractions of our modern life, in the diversity of thoughts presented at the various services of the day, it is good to fix one thought securely. This service will give the people an opportunity to express their thoughts of the day, and will show the pastor where he has failed and succeeded in his message. The sermon, Sunday school, and lecture should not crowd out the free and unrestrained expression of the serious thoughts, earnest purposes, and good resolutions which the Lord's Day ought to arouse and stimulate.

And whenever the church celebrates the Lord's Supper, this Sunday evening prayer-meeting may be used with great profit as an anniversary service for those who have united with the church at that communion in former years. The power of the testimony of children, youth and adults who one after another rise and say: "I am one year old in the Lord to-day," or "I gave my life to Christ ten years ago, and am glad," or "I am sixty years old in this church to-day," — the power of such joyous testimony cannot be over-estimated. Union with the local church means something. The celebration of the Lord's Supper, with such a memorial anniversary service, where the whole family of the church meet, is of incalculable service. A pastoral letter during the week preceding this service to those who are thus to celebrate their anniversary will be a helpful reminder to the careless.

Most churches should have a church prayer-meeting at least once during the week. It is difficult for many to live from Sunday to Sunday without the good cheer of a mid-week prayer-meeting. With the multiplicity of organizations, the social activity of the churches, the increasing number of sociables, fairs, festivals and "rummage sales," the church needs at least one evening for the social service of prayer, praise and Christian conversation. The time of this service should be such as to accommodate the largest number of the members of the church and congregation; and when the hour is fixed, it should begin and close promptly. Promptness, as well as cleanliness, is next to godliness; and

time is just as valuable in a church prayer-meeting as in the stock exchange. People who are prompt at their work and in their business engagements are dilatory, irregular and unreliable often in attendance at church services, committee meetings and church engagements. If bad ventilation will stifle a prayer-meeting, a poor clock, an "untimous" leader, and a regularly irregular attendance will kill it.

The church should provide a time for a prayer-meeting during the week which will accommodate women and children who cannot come to a mid-week evening meeting. There is a large company of mothers with small children, boarding-house keepers, the aged and infirm, who for one reason and another cannot attend an evening meeting. This service may be under the auspices of the Maternal Association, or the King's Daughters, or the Women's Missionary Society, or the church directly; but all of the organizations of the church are, after all, the church in its living membership at work. We are too prone to separate the church from its various organizations, which the church makes possible and through which it works. The great heart of the church sends its blood into the Junior Endeavor Society, its little finger, as into its board of deacons, the great head; and sometimes the little finger scratches the head to wake it up.

The Congregational Church should learn a lesson from the Roman Catholic Church and the Protestant Episcopal Church which give to their membership the largest opportunity for devotional services; and if the already heavily burdened pastor of a busy city church thinks himself unequal to more services, let him cut down on social functions, post-prandial speeches, bean suppers and gossiping visitations, and have an open-door church where the old men and the old women gather at convenient times, where the boys and girls of the city may play in its children's vestries, and be trained in their child-religion by the church more than one short hour in the Sunday school.

(3) As to the Leader.—Ordinarily the pastor of the church should be the leader of the mid-week church prayer-meeting; and very much depends upon him for the success of this service. (He should certainly not be the church's hireling nor any deacon's hired man.) He must himself be a Christian gentleman, true to himself, with a real Christian experience, a man of prayer, a lover of the truth, and a faithful student of the Word of God. In his thought and plan for the services of Sunday, he should not be unmindful of his own soul's nurture and the spiritual help which he himself will receive from the communion of the saints at the mid-week prayer meeting. He should not think so deeply nor study so persistently on the day of that meeting that he comes tired in mind to it. He must bring his best, freshest and freest thought to it, endued with power from on high.

He should not be so tired physically with his running hither and thither on foot, on bicycle, or electrics, that he cannot stand squarely on both feet, have the clear eye, the keen ear, and the courage which comes

from prime physical condition. The worshippers will come weary with the day's work, the men still perplexed by business cares and physically exhausted by the long hours behind the counter, at the desk, by the looms and the whirring wheels; the women will come well-nigh distracted with their household cares and social functions. It is important that one man at least should be fresh and free in body and mind, with good, rich blood in his veins, that virtue may go out from him to the weary and worn.

Above all, he should make ample spiritual preparation by secret prayer and holy meditation. He should give himself unreservedly to the meeting, with openness of mind and soul to be helped in his own spiritual life as he communes with God and his brethren.

He should be at the place of meeting promptly, if possible before any one else comes, to greet those who come with his word of cheer. He should select his hymns and Bible readings beforehand, that he may join with his whole heart and mind in the prayers and testimony of his fellow worshippers, not so intent upon the next hymn that is to be sung, the next thing he is to do, the next word he is to speak, that his own soul may not be fed by the devotion of others. He is not to be so much a master of ceremonies to announce a program as *primus inter pares* in the worship of the Lord.

Here he comes closest to the real heart of the church, and knows its spiritual life in the ordinary pursuits of its members. Knowing when and what to speak by the Spirit that witnesses with his spirit, he will not be afraid of silence so long as it is not due to restraint or formality; but will use it for the free and unhindered communion of soul with soul, without the restraint or friction of speech, and will thank God for the true Quaker element, for the silence that fills all space and for the eloquence and power that fill all unrestrained silence. Strangers or chance acquaintances may have to keep up a flow of conversation, and like the babbling brook may chatter, chatter as they go to join the brimming river, and talk, talk forever, until one wishes for a lodge in some vast wilderness where the talkers cease from talking and the chatterers are at rest, and words, words, words cease to flow, while all the earth keeps silence before him. Many a church prayer-meeting has been talked to death by an eloquent preacher or a gifted layman. The prayer-meeting is a good place for quiet, rest, silence, which is not due to laziness or restraint but to the desire of weary men to be rid of the friction and clatter of words.

The pastor should invite and welcome all, old and young, men and women, whether members of the church or not; and should put every one, so far as possible, at his ease. No one should be cudgelled, coaxed or frightened into making a public prayer or a speech. Any cringing feeling should be removed and there should be no back seats for the scorner, the cringer, or the coward. Indeed, to get rid of the back-seat Christians it may be advisable to arrange the chairs occasionally in a

circle, or like a drawing-room. A pastor who is true-hearted, well-prepared, at his ease will do much to make the prayer-meeting a place of abundant life, joy and rest. He should not scold anyone, and certainly not those faithful souls who do attend because of those who do not attend. He should not berate his church or people for their lack of spirituality; but with God's help, let him arouse, awaken, inspire, and having done all, let him stand, "steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." The trouble is, some are too unmovable as to spirit and method, and never abound. The pastor should be full of courage and patience, the last man to lose heart in the prayer-meeting.

(4) As to the People. — If it is the business of the pastor to arouse and awaken, it is theirs to respond. Then they will express their spiritual life in the simplest and most natural forms, as the Spirit gives them utterance. The power of speech cannot be over-estimated, "yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue." There is danger that some will speak in a tongue, which no man, not even the speaker, understands. Here the members may properly express their difficulties, doubts, questionings, their fears and hopes. Here is the place to talk with God, to weep with those that weep, to rejoice with those who rejoice, to bear each other's burdens, to give the oil of joy for mourning, the spirit of praise for the spirit of heaviness, to look up and not down, and to lend a hand. Here is the place for the heartiest and most unrestrained expression of genuine Christian sympathy, brotherliness, fellowship — the place to rejoice in the Lord and one another, to laugh and sing, as well as to cry and mourn.

Prayer is always in order; but testimony, discussion, holy conversation, should be encouraged. The prayer-meeting may well be a religious *conversazione*, which should not degenerate, as too many such do into a monologue or a soliloquy. Everyone should be encouraged and helped to take some part. The very expression of a thought, a doubt, a hope may be helpful. Frequently, some who are not "gifted" in prayer may utter a prayer that makes glad the heart of God and man. Let the timid, the shrinking, the sensitive souls who live much in the hopes and sympathies of others, find here a solace; and, while no unwilling service is required, be encouraged by the stronger and more reliant to take an active part. The church needs in every possible way to call out its silent majority, its rank and file, who can say at least, "I give my testimony for Christ." The wise use of the method of the Methodist class-meeting may be encouraged, though it must be understood that there is always a place for the silent member.

It is always to be remembered by the few or many that may be present in the body that there is a large number, often many more than can be counted in the prayer-meeting room, who are present in spirit, whose

prayers rise for those who are privileged to meet together in Christ's name. We believe in the communion of saints.

(5) As to the Topics. — What costs little is worth little; and a ready-made set of topics, good for all churches and at all times, however excellent, is probably not the best for any church. It is important that there should be a unity, which is real and apparent, in all of the work of the church and pastor. Instead of one topic for the prayer-meeting, another for Sunday services, another for the Sunday-school; it would be better to adopt the Roman motto: "*Non multa, sed multum.*"

For the past year we have adopted a method for our Friday evening church prayer-meeting which has been every way pleasant and profitable. The meeting begins promptly at 7:30, sometimes with silent prayer, sometimes with hearty singing, followed by the reading in concert or responsively of the chapter in the Bible containing the Sunday-school lesson for the coming Sunday. The topic of the meeting is some particular subject of present, practical importance in the life of the church or its members, selected from the Sunday-school lesson by the pastor and a committee, with a series of three or four pertinent questions of practical value, printed on the church calendar and distributed on the preceding Sunday. There is then a *conversazione*, under the direction of the pastor, on the topic suggested along the lines of the printed questions, which open the minds to think and the tongues to speak, and other questions are suggested. The result is a free, easy, unrestrained Christian conversation on the important themes of the Christian life. Almost everyone takes part and the time is all too short. Before and after this conversation there is opportunity for prayer, which is definite, brief and to the point.

This meeting closes promptly at the end of fifty minutes, and after an intermission of five minutes is followed by a meeting of the Sunday-school teachers and any others who wish to remain for the close and earnest study of the Sunday-school lesson for the coming Sunday, under the direction of the pastor. The children and older members who desire to get home before nine o'clock, are excused after the prayer-meeting. The Bible-class closes promptly at nine o'clock. The prayer-meeting topic has so stirred the people to think and ask questions that a thirst is created for the Bible-class, for which about two-thirds of the prayer-meeting attendants remain. Thirty-five minutes without preliminaries are spent on Bible study, by question and answer. The Sunday-school teachers who come for the Bible-class come to the prayer-meeting. The attendants at the prayer-meeting, not teachers, remain to study the Bible. Teachers are recruited from the reserve force, and the superintendent finds here his substitutes for Sunday. The service is a unit in its diversity. The prayer-meeting and the Sunday-school, prayer and Bible study, should be closely allied; for almost every revival of religion has begun in the prayer-meeting or the Sunday-school. "The Bereans were more noble than the Thessalonicans, in

that they received the Word with all readiness of mind, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether these things were so."

I believe this method of prayer, meditation, conversation, Bible study, has no limit to its power for good. We have not fully learned the power of Christian conversation in a world of wordy small talk. With the multiplicity of books and magazines, we need a prayerful, intelligent, united study of the Bible. Half an hour on Sunday in small classes is not sufficient. The pastor cannot reach the church there. The evenings of the week are so fully occupied it is difficult to get an evening for a normal class. The home has its demands and should be respected and exalted. The prayer-meeting gives the very best opportunity for the exposition of the truth, where pastor and people may be fellow-students.

This meeting may properly be varied once a month by the missionary concert, which ought to find a place in every modern prayer-meeting, with light from the world-wide field, and once in two months by the preparatory lecture by the pastor.

Whatever the method may be, the topics should be carefully selected by the pastor himself, or by a committee from the church, including the pastor; and should have a close relation to the present life and needs of the church. It is not necessary that all churches should have the same subjects. It is necessary that at any cost the church should preserve its individuality, develop its own resources, and think for itself.

And I know not why occasionally church sociables may not be turned into prayer-meetings, or why at the regular prayer-meeting there may not be the breaking of bread together, and a revival of the ancient *agapæ*. It is a good time for the best kind of family worship, when all the family are together at the table for breakfast or dinner, as Christ and his disciples had their best prayer-meeting in connection with their Passover Supper. The church has been too much inclined to have its sociables, which may be made very helpful for the spiritual life of the church, altogether for eating and drinking and making merry and money; and frequently neglects even the blessing of the bread, in the hurry of the crowd to eat. The church sociable may become the *agapæ*, or love-feast; and it may lead to enlightened Christian conversation, instead of the church small talk and gossip.

We close with the proposition with which we began, that the church needs today the spirit of prayer and time for prayer; and its members should meet often for praise, prayer and testimony, for united prayer and Christian fellowship, for the breaking of bread together, holding all things, especially their spiritual life, in common.

STATISTICAL TABLES

EXPLANATORY.

The tables which follow comprise: —

1. The statistics of the churches, giving the ministers, church membership, additions, removals, baptisms, Sunday schools and families; the statistics of the Young People's Societies; the amounts of benevolences and expenses. These tables, in accordance with the vote of the Association, in 1887, are made to conform to those in the YEAR-BOOK.

2. The Conferences of the Churches, with the names of officers and the times of meeting.

3. The Associations of Ministers, giving the date of ordination of each minister, the date of membership, the residence and his "employment." The abbreviations, "P." and "P. C." are explained below. "W. C." means without church; "Prof." means professor; "C. M." church missionary; "Tea." teacher; other abbreviations are self-evident. "W. C.," however, includes many who have retired from active service, and some who are in business.

4. The Ministerial Record, containing lists of ordinations, installations, dismissals, marriages and deaths.

The tables of the first part contain the names of all the Congregational churches in Massachusetts, the towns and cities being arranged alphabetically; churches in each town according to age.

The column specifying ministers is corrected up to the time of printing. Church members and families are reported as numbered on the morning of Jan. 1. 1901. Admissions, removals, and baptisms cover the year 1900. "Absent" are not additional to "males," "females," and "total," but included in them. "Sunday school" includes total membership of officers, teachers and scholars, Jan. 1, 1901, or when the school is in operation (if not at that date), covering "branch schools" and "mission schools," so far as maintained by the reporting church. "Av." means the average attendance during 1900.

The months and days in the dates of the organization of churches are omitted. They will be found in the publication of 1873, those of churches since organized being given in the "Minutes" of each year. Also the months and days in the dates of ordination and installation of ministers are omitted. The former may be found in the lists of the local Associations, pages 173–193.

"Ordained" denotes the date on which the person was orginally set apart to the ministry by the "laying-on of hands." "Installed" denotes the date of the beginning of his *present* pastorate.

In accordance with the recommendation of the National Council, pastors installed or recognized by council are marked "*p. c.*"; pastors duly called by their churches and recognized by some "definite act of the

church," but not by council, are marked "*p.*"; others in service are not marked, but in tabular summaries are counted as "supplies."

Blanks in any column of figures are never equivalent to "none," but mean "no report"; but blanks in the column of *ministers* do mean that the church has no pastor or acting pastor, and the blank is left for the convenience of those who note changes.

☞ All *post-office addresses* are to be found in the "List of Ministers," and NOT IN THE TABLES.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Abington,	1712	Dea. Isaac C. Howland,	De Mont Goodyear, *p. c.*	'00	'00	46	110	156	35	2	5	7	1	2	0	3	1	2
" North,	1839	Dea. Cyrus Orcutt,	George Benedict, *p.*	'83	'97	26	56	82	21	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Acton,	1832	Horace F. Tuttle,	Bernard Copping, *p. c.*	'79	'94	24	54	78	17	0	0	0	4	3	0	7	0	1
" South,	1893	Edgar I. Banks,	[John F. McBean, *Lic.*]		'00	20	49	69	10	0	2	2	1	2	0	3	0	0
Adams,	1840	Dea. E. W. Streeter,	Alford B. Penniman, *p.c.*	'83	'94	146	287	433	8	12	18	30	2	9	0	11	7	12
Agawam, Feeding Hills,	1762	Miss Julia A. Bailey,	Frank L. Garfield, *p. c.*	'93	'92	13	35	48	13	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
"	1819	Mrs. C. L. Hayward,	Walter Rice, *p. c.*	'65	'92	84	95	179	56	4	0	4	6	0	0	6	3	1
Amesbury, Main st.,	1831	Joseph T. Batchelder,	James D. Dingwell, *p. c.*	'95	'00	132	239	371	56	0	6	6	8	7	0	15	0	0
" Union,	1835	Miss Lois Fifield,	George W. Christie, *p.*	'73	'91	18	76	94	23	2	0	2	4	2	0	6	0	0
Amherst, 1st,	1739	Jonathan A. Rawson,				123	298	421	58	4	10	14	10	14	0	24	0	1
" 2d,	1782	Herbert Sabin,	Chester W. Hawley, *p.*	'61	'98	43	105	148	32	1	0	1	5	4	0	9	1	3
" College,	1826	William I. Fletcher,	Henry P. Smith, *p.*	'75	'98	210	57	267	180	8	5	13	2	15	0	17	0	0
" North,	1826	Miss M. E. Harrington,	Eber W. Gaylord, *p. c.*	'73	'90	69	150	219	33	5	2	7	10	1	1	12	2	0
" South,	1858	Miss Minnie L. Dana,	John F. Gleason, *p.*	'73	'95	63	95	158	42	3	2	5	3	2	0	5	1	0
Andover, South,	1711	Myron E. Gutterson,	Frank R. Shipman, *p. c.*	'93	'93	102	246	348	69	4	3	7	9	4	1	14	0	3
" West,	1826	Arthur T. Boutwell,	George A. Andrews, *p. c.*	'99	'99	81	140	221	43	5	4	9	2	7	15	24	4	2
" Free,	1846	Charles B. Baldwin,	Frederick A. Wilson, *p. c.*	'82	'89	101	256	357	82	12	5	17	2	11	1	14	3	14
" Ballardvale,	1854	William Shaw,	Edwin Smith, *p.*	'65	'99	35	76	111	30	2	3	5	0	1	0	1	1	0
" Seminary,	1865	Prof. Egbert C. Smyth.	The Professors,			81	103	184	50	0	4	4	2	9	0	11	0	0
Arlington,	1842	Elbert L. Churchill,	Samuel C. Bushnell, *p. c.*	'79	'90	79	180	259	38	1	7	8	7	0	1	8	0	7
" Heights,	1899	Edward W. Nicolls,	John G. Taylor, *p.*	'73	'00	23	42	65	1	3	10	13	1	0	3	4	0	4
Ashburnham, 1st,	1760	Fred. D. Lane,	Nathan T. Dyer, *p.*	'78	'97	32	70	102	26	1	0	1	2	5	2	9	1	0
" North,	1843					1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ashby,	1776	Horace S. Brooks,	Herbert W. Boyd, *p. c.*	'86	'97	66	109	175	50	4	0	4	4	4	2	10	1	2
Ashfield,	1763	John M. Sears,	Horace F. Hallett, *p.*	'91	'99	58	111	169	18	2	8	10	3	6	0	9	2	5
Ashland,	1835	Miss Sarah F. Rice,				23	74	97	25	10	10	20	2	0	0	2	9	0
Athol,	1830	Cyrus K. Wood,	Rolla G. Bugbee, *p.*	'76	'97	81	232	313	33	21	2	23	5	8	3	16	18	1
Attleboro, 2d,	1748	Dea. A. Vinton Cobb,	J. Lee Mitchell, *p.*	'87	'01	128	354	482	64	6	13	19	9	6	0	15	2	7
Auburn,	1776	William F. Stone,	Charles M. Pierce, *p.*	'63	'90	47	75	122	36	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	1	1
Ayer,	1861	Dr. Bertr'd H. Hopkins,	John C. Handy, *p.*	'96	'99	25	55	80	27	0	6	6	2	3	0	5	0	0
Barnstable, West,	1616	Rev. Edgar B. French,	Edgar B. French, *p.*	'97	'97	18	40	58	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	3
" Centerville,	1840	Miss Nellie B. Kelley,	Bartlett H. Weston, *p.*	'90	'98	9	40	49	13	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	1
" Hyannis,	1854	Dea. W. A. Perry,	Edgar C. Wheeler, *p.*	'96	'99	10	33	43	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
" Cotuit,	1900	Chauncey M. Phinney,	Charles A. Breck, *p.*	'94	'97	10	32	42	2	4	3	7	1	0	0	1	4	0
Barre,	1827	C. S. Root, Barre Plains,	Charles H. Talmage, *p.*	'82	'00	49	115	164	38	9	2	11	2	1	0	3	6	0
Becket, Center,	1758	Mrs. L. O. Ellsworth, *a*	Thomas W. Davison, *p.*	'99	'01	8	22	30	2	5	0	5	1	1	0	2	4	0
" North,	1849	Dea. Jarvis Norcutt,	Thomas W. Davison, *p.*	'99	'01	32	60	92	28	1	0	1	4	2	0	6	0	0
Bedford,	1730	Leon B. Smith,	Frank B. McAllister, *p.*	'99	'99	52	97	149	60	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	2	2

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Acushnet, *see* New Bedford. Allston, *see* Boston. Assonet, *see* Freetown. Atlantic, *see* Quincy. Attleboro Falls, *see* N. Attleboro
Auburndale, *see* Newton. Baldwinville, *see* Templeton. Ballardvale, *see* Andover. Beachmont, *see* Revere. Beechwood, *see* Cohasset.

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CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Abington,	William S. O'Brien,	165	106	150	79	$87	$5	$5	$35	$5	$ 0	$ 8	$ 0	$145	$ 0	$2,100
" North,	William C. Brett,	106	64	120	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	42	0	2,000
Acton,	Charles E. Smith,	90	55	100	37	50	6	10	25	13	10	4	40	158	0	1,150
" South,	Charles E. Brodeur,	102	73	87	54	6	15	0	10	2	7	0	75	115	0	
Adams,	William B. Plunkett,	600	425	375	80	306	200	39	111	21	25	0	500	1,202	0	8,367
Agawam,	Rev. Frank L. Garfield,	52	35	55	18	53	12	13	10	10	9	0	54	161	0	1,015
"	W. H. Porter,	110	54	75	82	90	40	0	26	18	28	0	70	272	0	1,200
Amesbury, M.St.,	H. C. Austin,	210	143	250	46	360	15	20	223	15	15	5	217	870	0	3,656
" Union,	Rev. George W. Christie,	113	60	112	42	80	3	4	30	30	25	0	75	247	0	1,400
Amherst, 1st,	Fred D. Kellogg,	185	140	250	87	602	32	31	562	38	42	34	0	1,341	0	3,600
" 2d,	Rev. Chester W. Hawley,	m146	68	95	37	80	0	8	50	22	3	0	11	174	0	1,217
" College,		0	0	23	0	957	30	0	255	24	0	0	71	1,337	0	182
" North,	Howard A. Parsons,	m173	116	113	68	157	20	16	130	54	33	13	33	456	0	1,482
" South,	George O. Hannum,	m147	90	95	67	186	0	10	118	38	7	9	65	433	0	1,075
Andover, South,	Charles H. Gilbert,	m514	231	280	111	766	227	58	620	208	35	0	345	2,259	0	3,040
" West,	Frederick S. Boutwell,	m100	70	75	35	98	0	0	54	54	5	0	171	382	0	1,500
" Free,	J. Newton Cole,	246	179	208	56	119	92	45	174	66	10	5	120	631	0	2,932
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw,	134	93	70	112	73	40	39	90	55	20	0	187	504	0	1,043
" Seminary,	Matthew S. McCurdy,	62		63	0	559	114	100	418	107	0	35	1,961	3,294	0	629
Arlington,	Myron Taylor,	316	197	200	70	143	49	41	316	94	41	20	23	727	100	8,665
" Heights,	Minot A. Bridgham,	158	84	80	86	4	2	2	17	0	0	0	25	50	0	1,830
Ashburnh'm, 1st,	Fred D. Lane,	115	82	100	83	26	0	10	17	20	0	0	9	82	0	1,300
" North,		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ashby,	James W. Brooks,	150	71	92	71	49	60	12	59	57	31	13	130	411	0	1,393
Ashfield,	Frederick H. Smith,	197	75	134	35	49	7	11	66	66	6	0	41	246	0	1,135
Ashland,	Miss Sarah F. Rice,	102	60	80	0	7	0	6	0	0	4	0	10	27	0	1,400
Athol,	Daniel P. Kimball,	268	161	200	107	132	0	0	78	132	6	0	134	482	0	2,270
Attleboro, 2d,	William P. Kelley,	394	228	400	121	1,086	48	54	572	96	63	10	179	2,108	0	4,196
Auburn,	Rev. Charles M. Pierce,	115	72	80	37	69	0	23	53	32	25	0	60	262	0	1,180
Ayer,	Augustus Lovejoy,	83	47	94	34	29	0	0	13	13	5	0	79	139	0	1,564
Barnstable, W.,	W. F. Jenkins,	80	31	100	46	10	5	5	30	5	8	0	97	160	0	545
" Centreville,	Mrs. C. E. Whitford,	80	56	60	35	33	0	0	25	88	10	0	29	185	0	665
" Hyannis,	Mrs. George T. Taylor,	102	65	64	56	65	4	5	32	7	10	0	10	133	0	1,100
" Cotuit,	Charles L. Gifford,	95	61	85	0	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	65	72	0	1,028
Barre,	Charles G. Allen,	170	61	110	54	219	14	11	155	75	0	0	0	474	0	1,600
Becket, Center,	Burwell Turner, Chester,	35	31	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	430
" North,	George L. Johnson,	85	53	43	0	32	0	0	15	13	4	0	36	100	0	600
Bedford,	Wallace G. Webber,	155	90	100	55	62	3	6	50	20	11	0	85	237	0	2,050

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Belchertown,	1737	Mrs. S. E. Chapman,	James B. Adkins, *p.*	'88	'00	56	129	185	39	0	4	4	5	6	0	11	0	0
Belmont, Waverley,	1865	Walter R. Lamkin,	George P. Gilman, *p.*	'72	'83	26	45	71	16	1	4	5	3	0	0	3	1	1
" Plymouth,	1899	Miss Bertha Macurdy,	Elbridge C. Whiting, *p.*	'91	'99	14	21	35	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	9
Berkley,	1737	Dea. Rollin H. Babbitt,	William R. Joyslin, *p.*	'64	'00	21	45	66	14	1	1	2	6	2	0	8	1	0
Berlin,	1779	I. E. Coulson, So. B.,	Arthur P. Pratt, *p.*	'01	'98	27	55	82	16	0	2	2	4	0	5	9	0	1
Bernardston,	1824	Dea. Henry Slate,	Edward Day, *p.*	'86	'00	21	34	55	3	1	2	3	3	4	0	7	0	0
Beverly, 2d, North,	1715	Charles S. Brown,	[Edmund M. Wylie, *Lic.*]		'00	20	44	64	11	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
" Dane st.,	1802	Louis H. Baker,	Edwin H. Byington, *p. c.*	'87	'00	131	314	445	31	3	8	11	7	4	0	11	3	2
" Washington st.,	1837	Samuel Cole,	Edward F. Sanderson, *p.c.*	'99	'99	63	171	234		8	2	10	8	0	0	8	0	3
Billerica,	1829	Rev. Daniel W. Hardy,	Daniel W. Hardy, *p.*	'74	'93	29	57	86	15	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Blackstone,	1841	Calvin H. Lee,	Wallace H. Sterns, *p.*	'97	'01	15	31	46	12	7	0	7	0	3	0	3	5	0
" Millville, *Scand.*,	1891	Arthur Westberg,	Adolph F. Hogberg, *p.*	'99	'00	9	7	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Blandford, 1st,	1735	Charles B. Hayden,	Sumner G. Wood, *p.*	'80	'01	22	60	82	19	3	0	3	0	2	0	2	3	0
" North,	1893	Mrs. Emeline C. Pease,	Sumner G. Wood, *p.*	'80	'01	7	31	38	5	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	1	0
Boston, Charlestown,	1632	Dea. Gardner Bates,	Charles H. Pope, *p.*	'65	'96	37	108	145	55	0	0	0	3	2	1	6	0	3
" Old South,	1669	J. Converse Gray,	George A. Gordon, *p. c.a*	'77	'84	239	513	752	0	20	49	69	5	9	0	14	7	4
" 2d, Dorchester,	1808	William D. Brigham,	Arthur Little, *p. c.*	'63	'89	243	461	704	93	5	37	42	14	15	1	30	2	12
" Park st.,	1809	William J. Usher,	[John L. Withrow, *Pres.*]	'63	'98	115	261	376		14	29	43	6	32	497	535	3	2
" Union,	1822	Edward S. Chapin,	Samuel L. Loomis, *p. c.*	'80	'96	168	390	558	75	39	51	90	13	11	41	65	13	2
" Phillips, South,	1823	W. B. Bancroft,	Charles A. Dinsmore, *p.c.* Percy H. Epler, *asso. p.*	'85 '98	'96 '98	213	539	752	200	37	5	42	8	7	2	17	6	5
" Berkeley Temple,	1827	Dea. Benj. F. Moore,	Charles A. Dickinson, *p.c.* Wm. S. Kelsey, *asso. p.* Edward Anderson, *p.*	'79 '85 '58	'88 '91 '00	349	582	931	120	14	9	23	7	34	0	41	5	14
" Brighton,	1827	George E. Brock,	Adolph A. Berle, *p. c.*	'87	'91	73	160	233		19	2	21	3	5	0	8	19	11
" Village, Dorchester,	'29	Dea. Fred'k M. Swan,	Geo. Wolcott Brooks, *p.*	'77	'90	68	145	213	39	5	1	6	2	10	0	12	1	0
" Winth'p, Charlest'n,	'33	R. Wolcott Chapman,	William B. Forbush, *p. c.*	'92	'98	71	247	318	85	6	3	9	8	18	39	65	1	4
" Eliot, Roxbury,	1834	James S. Barrows,	August'sC.Thompson *p.c.* Winfred C. Rhoades, *p. c.*	'42 '99	'42 '00	106	257	363	116	13	5	18	7	7	0	14	6	4
" Central,	1835	Thomas H. Russell,	Edward L. Clark, *p. c.*	'61	'93	72	176	248		3	1	4	0	4	0	4	0	2
" W. Roxbury,	1835	Edward W. Schuerch,	Frank W. Merrick, *p. c*	'91	'93	55	138	193	28	4	12	16	4	3	5	12	2	6
" Maverick, East,	1836	Dea. J. Willard Brown,	Oren D. Fisher, *p.*	'75	'99	121	323	444	210	5	7	12	7	8	0	15	0	26
" Mt. Vernon,	1842	Sanford Keith,	Samuel E. Herrick, *p. c.*	'63	'71	130	239	369		4	15	19	10	9	0	19	0	0
" Shawmut,	1845	Fred L. Norton,	Edwin B. Webb, *p.c., em.* William T. McElveen, *p.c.*	'50 '90	'60 '99	166	328	494	185	37	28	65	8	22	0	30	9	27
" Central, Jamaica Plain,	1853	George F. Partridge,	Charles L. Morgan, *p. c.*	'76	'94	211	450	661	156	48	18	66	5	24	1	30	11	10
" Immanuel, Roxb'y,	1857	Dea. Asa H. Porter,	Charles H. Beale, *p. c.*	'80	'94	110	286	396	78	9	8	17	13	4	6	23	4	9
" Trinity, Neponset,	1859	Charles D. Barnes,	Edwin L. Noble, *p.*	'96	'99	41	82	123	35	8	7	15	2	6	0	8	2	6
" Pilgrim, Dorche'r,	1867	Charles H. Crockett,	Wm. H. Allbright, *p. c.*	'79	'90	133	323	456	14	9	32	41	9	28	14	51	7	5
" Highland, Roxb'y,	1869	Carl J. Youngren,	William R. Campbell, *p. c.*	'81	'81	154	334	488	190	15	11	26	1	18	1	20	4	41
" Walnut av., Roxb'y,	'70	Dea. C. H. W. Wood,	Albert H. Plumb, *p. c.*	'58	'72	136	284	420	29	5	12	17	6	6	2	14	3	13
" Olivet,	1876	Miss Susan C. Smith,	Robert F. Gordon, *p.*	'75	'90	25	57	82	25	4	1	5	2	2	0	4	0	4
" Boylston, Ja. Plain,	1879	R. T. Jackson, Jr.,	Ellis Mendell, *p. c.*	'79	'88	75	197	272	78	10	12	22	1	9	0	10	2	6
" *Scand.*,	1881	J. A. Gustafson,	August Eriksen, *p.*	'00	'00	67	177	244		33	10	43	3	5	6	14	0	12
" *Norwegian*,	1885	O. M. Dahl,	[Ludvig J. Pedersen,]		'01	24	39	63	9	8	1	9	0	2	0	2	0	11

Harry Hannam, asst. p., '96, '00.

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Belchertown,	George B. Jackson,	m150	75	80	80	61	0	0	0	25	0	0	75	161	2,000	1,050
Belmont,	H. E. Carpenter,	137	95	75	46	31	4	4	32	5	4	4	9	93	0	1,250
" Plymouth,	Royal T. Broderick,	77	51	45	0	61	0	0	13	5	4	0	12	95	0	1,293
Berkley,	Dea. R. H. Babbitt,	60	28	49	14	18	3	5	58	25	7	0	27	143	0	915
Berlin,	Charles M. Sawyer,	95	51	45	27	9	0	0	6	8	0	0	20	43	0	1,062
Bernardston,	Alonzo Alford,	74	20	40	18	8	10	0	14	5	12	5	2	56	0	768
Beverly,2d,N'th,	Charles S. Brown,	161	98	90	92	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	53	0	
" Dane st.,	Adelbert Safford,	585	368	400	100	665	236	35	430	188	59	18	645	2,276	0	4,295
" Wash'ton st.,	Charles O. Frost,	249	134	198	60	190	11	11	304	82	4	0	0	602	0	3,953
Billerica,	John E. Bull,	144	78	58	37	84	3	5	84	23	10	2	48	259	0	1,119
Blackstone,	Fred Fallowe,	80	43	70	65	39	14	16	23	18	24	10	10	154	0	765
" Millville, *Sc.*,	Rev. Adolph F. Hogberg,	18	12	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	111
Blandford, 1st,	Miss L. Belle Tiffany,	90	38	45	20	40	6	6	0	10	0	6	20	88	0	1,400
" North,	H. L. Pease,	65	43	50	23	5	0	2	6	3	4	0	30	50	0	545
Boston, Ch'st'n,	A. Perry Martin,	80	50	75	25	173	0	0	157	50	0	0	130	510	0	2,200
" Old South,	Rev. Harry O. Hannum,	m606	475			10664	1,936	270	13,789	380	443	0	6,070	33.552	10,000	
" 2d, Dorch'r,	William Quincy Wales,	868	396	590	152	2,606	1,004	896	3,313	462	524	23	430	9,258	0	9,750
" Park st.,	Alfred H. Colby,	250	185		63	2,189	30	0	1,548	116	0	0	612	4,495	0	
" Union,	Lucius P. Lane,	500	183	500	169	1,638	1,095	41	693	452	56	40	113	4,128	0	7,864
" Phillips, South	Rev. Percy H. Epler, m	1,085	426	600	499	428	17	17	664	61	17	0	196	1,400	0	10,069
" Berkeley Tem.	Rev. William S. Kelsey,	448	207	1,000	150	68	15	0	232	20	0	0	906	1,241	0	14,648
" Brighton,	Elwood W. Ward,	263	188	360	126	407	0	0	1,352	66	0	0	326	2,151	0	5,134
" Village, Dorc.	William G. Swan,	233	153	142	54	207	9	0	297	48	0	7	52	620	0	2,979
" Winth'p, C'n,	Miss L. E. Hapenny,	380	252	400	60	353	51	25	290	146	30	0	658	1,553	0	5,080
" Eliot, Roxb.,	Clarence T. Mooar,	347	235	215	130	1,316	126	0	1,319	0	12	0	0	2,773	0	3,676
" Central,	Hermon W. Aborn,	50	35		0	2,506	0	290	2,663	289	96	0	242	6,086	0	
" W. Roxbury,	Maurice Coleman,	m354	181	223	29	840	12	3	417	103	4	7	158	1,544	0	6,341
" Mave'k, East,	Dea. Elmer H. Allen,	278	220	300	73	40	27	41	124	7	0	0	59	298	0	4,280
" Mt. Vernon,	John D. Graham,	176	101	350	0	2,541	50	0	1,662	222	0	43	1,119	5,637	0	10,000
" Shawmut,	Frank E. Bundy, M. D.,	475	286	500	140	1,783	27	150	1,263	198	27	0	198	3,646	0	7,774
" Central J. P.,	J. Wesley Farmer,	476	333	450	135	1,114	151	148	1,544	252	178	38	363	3,788	0	6,910
" Imman'l, Rox.	Rev. Charles H. Beale,	468	319	250	127	1,008	66	107	1,196	150	15	0	358	2,900	0	7,500
" Trinity, Nep't,	Harry G. Dixon,	175	96	100	98	89	5	6	72	4	6	0	15	197	0	1,595
" Pilg'm, Dorch.	John W. McMillan,	m742	451	462	267	450	39	34	643	33	30	0	1,403	2,632	0	16,140
" Highl'd, Rox.,	Charles L. Ziegler,	538	333	400	40	522	0	10	449	27	0	0	41	1,049	0	5,294
" Walnut av., R.	Frank O. Whitney,	553	346	200	122	1,125	67	66	2,303	157	63	0	0	3,781	0	11,005
" Olivet,	A. M. Clement,	275	129	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	11	100	1,288
" Boylston, J. P.	Sylvester R. Crocker,	536	235	300	95	485	38	36	121	133	27	0	311	1,151	0	3,310
" *Swed.*,	John E. Friberg,	m249	175	164	91	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	60	78	0	3,751
" *Norw.*,	Gabriel A. Rund,	29	18	45	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	121	128	0	848

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Boston, **Allston,**	1886	James H. Ball,	John O. Haarvig, *p.* [a]	'83	'95	130	248	378	50	9	13	22	2	4	0	6	4	7
" Harvard, **Dorch'r,**	1888	Henry N. Marr,	William T. Beale, *p.*	'82	'99	37	109	146	17	4	19	23	5	3	0	8	2	10
" Central, **Dorch'r,**	1888	Samuel Alexander,	George H. Flint, *p.*	'94	'99	39	74	113	23	11	31	42	2	24	20	46	3	1
" Seamen's,	1888	James E MacDonald.	Sylvester S. Nickerson, *p.c.*	'76	'88	79	14	93		0	2	2	0	4	1	5	0	3
" **Roslindale,**	1890	Dea. Henry H. Cole,	J. Spencer Voorhees, *p.* [a]	'84	'99	76	183	259	36	16	45	61	3	0	1	4	3	7
" St. Mark's,	1895	Charles F. Shorter,	Samuel A. Brown, *p. c.*	'00	'99	14	26	40	0	2	5	7	1	0	0	1	2	7
" **Baker, East,**	1897	Arthur J. Page,	James C. Young, *p. c.*	'91	'97	23	58	81	16	6	2	8	1	2	2	5	1	17
Boxboro, West Acton,	1829	A. C. Wetherbee,	William C. Martyn, *p. c.*	'98	'98	23	39	62	18	0	1	1	1	3	0	4	0	0
Boxford,	1702	Dea. J. W. Parkhurst,	Emery L. Bradford, *p. c.*	'92	'92	35	90	125	32	8	2	10	1	3	4	8	0	0
" **West,**	1736	Rev. Chas. L. Hubbard.	Charles L. Hubbard, *p. c.*	'68	'78	25	44	69	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boylston, **Center,**	1743	Mrs. Charles Bray,	Samuel B. Cooper, *p.*	'87	'98	49	79	128	59	4	3	7	3	0	0	3	3	4
Braintree, 1st,	1707	Rev. W. Gallagher, **S. B.**				45	136	181	35	2	3	5	6	4	0	10	2	4
South,	1829	Dea. Frank A. Reed,	C. F. Hill Crathern, *p.*	'86	'96	22	64	86	6	2	1	3	2	2	0	4	0	2
Bridgewater,	1821	Charles P. Sinnott,	Elbert S. Porter, *p. c.*	'83	'89	84	175	259	65	1	6	7	3	5	0	8	1	1
" **Scotland,**	1836	Mrs. T. C. Wilbur, **B.,**				11	24	35	10	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0
Brimfield,	1724	Dea. Edward B. Brown,	William P. Clancy, *p.*	'75	'00	33	54	87	22	2	6	8	4	0	0	4	0	0
Brockton, 1st,	1740	J. E. Jenny,	Alan Hudson, *p. c.*	'92	'96	100	280	380		12	9	21	7	2	0	9	9	10
" South, **Campello,**	1857	Rufus P. Keith,	Albert F. Pierce, *p. c.*	'77	'99	148	285	433	30	13	9	22	11	4	0	15	10	0
" Porter,	1850	Dea. Minot W. Niles.	Andrew W. Archibald, *p.c.*	'76	'97	196	448	644	81	23	22	45	11	8	0	19	17	6
" Waldo,	1896	James T. McCaughey,	Robert L. Rae, *p. c.*	'89	'96	35	52	87	7	1	5	6	0	3	0	3	0	3
" Wendell av.,	1897	Davis Kingman	James Lade, *p.*	'85	'99	29	65	94	0	3	11	14	1	2	0	3	3	0
" Lincoln,	1897	Mrs. Nanny Chavis	[Sebastian D. Turner, *Meth.*]	'93	'97	25	22	47	0	12	2	14	1	0	1	2	2	2
Brookfield,	1756	Miss M. Ella Gibson,	Edward B. Blanchard, *p. c.*	'92	'95	36	94	130	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brookline, **Harvard,**	1844	Edward Sharp.	Reuen Thomas, *p. c.a*	'60	'75	230	489	719	75	26	34	60	6	15	0	21	0	0
" Leyden,	1896	Dr. Robt. W. Hastings.	Harris G. Hale, *p. c.*	'91	'96	34	81	115	2	2	18	20	1	3	0	4	1	0
Buckland,	1785	Dea. H. L. Warfield.	Edward A. Robinson, *p.*	'83	'98	53	107	160	25	7	3	10	3	3	0	6	6	0
Burlington,	1735	Dea. Samuel Sewall,	Austin Dodge, *p.*	'66	'95	19	39	58	20	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	3
Cambridge, 1st,	1636	**Charles F. Stratton,**	Alex'r McKenzie, *p. c.b*	'61	'67	241	531	772	214	24	36	60	17	116	0	133	4	7
" Prospect st.,	1827	Frank W. Cram,	Reuben A. Beard, *p. c.*	'79	'97	110	284	394	126	2	13	15	3	12	0	15	1	2
" North av.,	1857	Everett K. Stevens,	Daniel Evans, *p. c.*	'91	'99	170	333	503	70	15	28	43	5	10	0	15	8	1
" Pilgrim,	1865	Daniel S. Coolidge.				216	391	607	127	8	12	20	7	28	0	35	21	3
" Wood Memorial,	1872	Dea. Abijah R. Buck,	Charles H. Williams, *p.c.*	'99	'99	96	224	320	45	14	29	43	4	7	3	14	2	23
" **Hope,**	1890	John T. Howarth,	Richard B. Grover, *p.*	'81	'00	34	62	96	10	7	1	8	1	2	0	3	0	11
Canton,	1828	Abner Morse,	Seelye Bryant, *p. c.*	'90	'99	27	74	101	33	2	2	4	0	5	0	5	2	0
Carlisle,	1781	Dea. Herbert P. Dutton,	A. Herbert Armes, *p.*	'89	'98	21	37	58	15	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	0
Carver, North,	1733	Herman M. Cole,	[Oscar F. Stetson, *Lic.*]		'99	13	32	45	13	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Charlemont, 1st,	1788	Dea. John H. Smead,	George H. Pratt, *p.*	'66	'99	29	55	84	12	2	11	13	3	1	0	4	1	4
" **East,**	1845	Mrs. Lyman Whiting,	Lyman Whiting, *p.*	'43	'89	20	37	57	13	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	0
Charlton,	1761	Mrs. E. J. W. Spencer,	George O. Jenness, *p.*	'61	'96	18	42	60	23	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1
Chatham,	1720	L. Sidney Atwood,	Frederic Parker, *p. c.*	'00	'00	21	54	75	18	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	0	1

a Oliver D. Sewall, asst. p., '92, '97. *b* Leonard S. Parker, asst. p., '38, '86.

Bradford, *see* **Haverhill.** **Brighton,** *see* **Boston.** **Byfield,** *see* **Newbury.** **Campello,** *see* **Brockton.** **Centreville,** *see* **Barnstable.** **Charlestown,** *see* **Boston.**

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Boston, Allston,	Frank H. Emerson,	385	190	300	110	433	86	76	799	107	48	40	325	1,914	0	6,400
" Harvard,	Frank B. Sherman,	300	172	300	76	60	0	0	18	81	10	5	39	213	0	3,677
" Central,	Rev. George H. Flint,	225	149	250	34	85	10	10	120	15	18	0	110	368	0	1,700
" Seamen's,	George Marsters,	50	38	300	50	0	0	0	160	0	0	0	15	175	0	
" Roslindale,	William J. Wilson,	366	246	250	70	102	0	0	177	0	0	0	203	482	0	14,663
" St. Mark's,	T J Hamilton,	70	31	65	30	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	5	0	500
" Baker, East,	George Taylor,	300	150	300	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,700
Boxboro,	Martin E. Wood,	70	41	50	27	32	0	4	18	34	5	0	6	99	0	3,560
Boxford,	Dea. John W. Parkhurst,	83	71	109	0	109	0	7	50	39	25	0	20	250	0	2,160
" West,	Nathan B. Sargent,	70	40	75	25	52	15	4	71	59	3	0	25	229	0	
Boylston, Cen.,	Calvin H. Andrews,	83	45	110	35	21	0	0	18	19	0	0	115	173	0	1,250
Braintree, 1st,	Charles S. Bates,	229	171	150	59	186	26	8	306	21	50	0	108	705	0	4,000
" South,	Dea. Henry B. Whitman,	215	120	233		35	27	7	60	32	6	15	75	257	0	2,750
Bridgewater,	W. D. Jackson,	175	101	150	124	101	9	6	45	174	10	0	30	375	0	4,276
" Scotland,		62	31	40	38	17	2	1	8	0	1	2	0	31	0	550
Brimfield,	Dea. Edward B. Brown,	131	52	55	24	58	11	14	28	27	51	0	10	199	0	1,400
Brockton, 1st,	George A. Manning,	462	261	600	300	178	70	10	433	20	74	10	365	1,160	0	7,200
" So., Campello,	George E. Keith,	m906	540	500	276	1,253	38	672	985	263	67	69	598	3,945	0	8,420
" Porter,	J. Howard Field,	988	496	600	195	526	95	854	572	173	111	37	5,310	7,678	0	9,606
" Waldo,	Charles E. Johnson,	250	146		108	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,798
" Wendell av.,	Charles Williamson,	175	95	100	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,246
" Lincoln,	Lemuel Perry,	40	28	30	40	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	5	7	0	3,000
Brookfield,	Edward B. Hale,	200	77	95	65	22	77	1	156	54	1	0	30	341	0	1,300
Brookline, Har'd,	Rev Oliver D. Sewall,	733	475		200	4,900	210	408	2,540	538	672	0	5,650	14,918	0	16,000
" Leyden.	Morris A. Hall,	88	55	100	17	653	100	1	839	172	25	0	0	1,790	0	11,246
Buckland,	Frederick L. Warfield,	130	90	124	35	90	0	28	55	34	3	0	40	250	120	1,418
Burlington,	Thomas I. Reed,	70	49	50	60	22	0	0	19	0	3	0	0	44	0	1,250
Cambridge, 1st,	Charles W. Spenser,	443	323	450	160	985	0	89	2,486	605	159	0	2,466	6,790	0	16,802
" Prospect st.,	George B. Caswell,	388	190	375	104	477	80	93	328	262	38	0	3,456	4,734	0	7,187
" North av.,	James Morrison,	586	313	300	111	425	50	55	568	101	0	0	302	1,501	0	7,422
" Pilgrim,	Arthur L. Miles,	481	307	450	165	406	59	59	298	159	67	0	98	1,146	0	5,218
" Wood Mem.,	Alfred J. Bailey,	500	375	450	149	112	0	27	403	23	0	0	204	769	0	4,832
" Hope,		152	97	100	60	10	0	0	8	0	0	0	10	28	0	
Canton,	Alfred F. Morse, 2d,	74	41	100	41	0	0	0	138	0	0	0	174	312	0	1,728
Carlisle,	Dea. Daniel L. Chamberlin,	84	42	45	43	49	9	7	23	10	21	0	20	139	0	1,050
Carver, North,	Edgar E. Gardner,	65	35	50	14	35	0	3	30	0	0	0	0	68	0	750
Charlemont, 1st,	Edward P. Smead,	185	66	94	11	21	0	0	33	8	5	0	76	143	0	746
" East.	Dea. Lorenzo Richmond,	60	31	48	48	53	13	13	54	13	13	4	133	296	0	400
Charlton,	Mrs. E. J. W. Spencer,	50	34	50	52	37	3	5	33	12	8	0	5	103	0	517
Chatham,	Roswell Atwood,	65	37	55	69	18	0	0	7	0	0	0	5	30	150	574

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City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	Dc.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Chelmsford, **North,**	1824	Dea. Charles H. Holt,	Robert W. Dunbar, *p. c.*	'99	'98	15	40	55	6	3	0	3	4	1	9	14	3	5
" Central,	1876	Artemas B. Woodworth,	Ernest C. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'96	'94	34	78	112	13	10	2	12	4	3	0	7	7	2
Chelsea, 1st,	1841	Waldo E. Pratt,	Ross C. Houghton, *p. c.*	'69	'95	92	281	373	97	10	0	10	10	10	1	21	1	4
" Central,	1851	John A. Odiarne,	Rob't A. MacFadden, *p. c.*	'96	'98	181	564	745	113	50	22	72	14	20	22	56	28	17
" 3d,	1877	Jacob Pratt, Jr.,	Samuel M. Cathcart, *p. c.*	'96	'96	55	141	196	40	5	23	28	5	0	0	5	0	2
Chester, 1st,	1769	Wm. A. Lyman,				10	21	31	20	6	3	9	0	2	0	2	3	0
" 2d,	1844	Edward O. Redfield,	Thomas D. Murphy, *p.*	'68	'93	30	75	105	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Chesterfield,	1764	Mrs. Ellen A. Baker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, *p.*	'87	'95	34	68	102	14	3	5	8	4	0	0	4	2	1
Chicopee, 1st,	1752	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	Collins G. Burnham, *p. c.*	'79	'88	21	53	74	16	0	2	2	3	1	0	4	0	3
" 2d, **Falls,**	1830	Arthur B. West,	Harvey G. Pillsbury, *p.c.*	'82	'95	77	152	229	54	36	16	52	2	1	0	3	22	1
" 3d,	1834	James S. Pease,	Herbert P. Woodin, *p.*	'92	'98	49	114	163	46	1	2	3	5	1	0	6	0	0
Clinton,	1844	Edward W. Breed,	William W. Jordan, *p. c.*	'84	'93	156	331	487	97	14	11	25	8	5	0	13	5	19
" *German,*	1897	L. Walker,	Anton Huelster, *p.*	'70	'01	23	37	60	2	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	14
Cohasset,	1824	Warren L. Tower,	Charles W. Merriam, *p.*	'01	'01	35	105	140	19	7	1	8	4	1	0	5	3	1
" **Beechwood,**	1863	Mrs. Clara Hyland, *a*	Frank Park, *p.*	'95	'98	5	33	38	14	1	1	2	0	0	3	3	0	0
Colerain,	1750	Dea. A. H. Temple, *b*	Charles M. Crooks, *p.*	'97	'96	12	38	50	10	3	1	4	0	3	0	3	3	0
Concord,	1826	Rev. Ole C. Thorpe,	George A. Tewksbury, *p.*	'63	'91	64	141	205	27	5	3	8	3	2	2	7	1	8
Conway,	1768	Henry W. Billings,	Eugene F. Hunt, *p.*	'84	'95	73	130	203	27	11	5	16	1	3	0	4	8	2
Cummington,	1839	George W. Guilford, *c*	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	31	65	96	4	3	2	5	1	4	0	5	3	0
" **West,**	1839	Mrs. Sarah M. Sears,	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	7	25	32	8	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	2
Dalton,	1785	Dea. Henry A. Barton,	George W. Andrews, *p.*	'82	'83	127	228	355	24	8	5	13	5	5	0	10	3	4
Dana,	1852	N. L. Johnson,	Harlan Page, *p.e*	'83	'93	5	24	29	10	0	2	2	0	6	0	6	0	0
Danvers **Center,**	1689	Edward A. H. Grover,	Harry C. Adams, *p. c.*	'89	'97	50	133	183	23	5	6	11	5	9	0	14	3	3
" Maple st.,	1844	Dea. John S. Learoyd,	Chauncey J. Hawkins, *p.c.*	'99	'00	120	282	402	57	11	12	23	3	5	0	8	8	0
Dartmouth, **South,**	1807	Wanton H. Gray,				8	20	28	4	0	0	0	2	4	6	12	0	0
Dedham,	1638	Theodore T. Marsh,	Edward H. Rudd, *p. c.*	'87	'01	86	193	279	82	1	0	1	6	8	52	66	0	0
Deerfield, **South,**	1818	Mrs. Mary P. Field,	Edward O. Grisbrook, *p.*	'93	'98	54	96	150	25	0	4	4	7	1	0	8	0	1
"	1835	B. Z. Stebbins, jr.,	Horace E. Morrow, *p.*	'86	'99	19	43	62	10	0	3	3	3	4	0	7	0	2
Dennis, **South,**	1817	Miss E. H. Underwood,	Washington H. Forbes, *p.*	'81	'99	8	51	59	10	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	6	0
" Union,	1866	Nathan A. Howes,	[O. E. Van Slyke.]		'01	6	31	37	5	1	1	2	2	0	1	3	1	0
Dighton,	1710	Dea. Geo. E. Gooding, *d*	Dorrall Lee, *p.*	'74	'99	16	38	54	10	4	0	4	0	0	2	2	0	0
Douglas,	1747	Laura E. Balcom,	Charles P. Pierce, *p.*	'98	'00	7	27	34	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **East,**	1834	Dea. Edwin Moore,	Charles P. Pierce, *p.*	'98	'97	25	74	99	22	0	1	1	5	3	0	8	0	1
Dover,	1839	George L. Howe,				22	25	47	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dracut, 1st,	1721	Dea. Silas R. Coburn,				16	49	65	6	3	2	5	2	1	0	3	1	5
" Central,	1847	William H. Stickney,	Frederick I. Kelley, *p. c.*	'89	'97	45	95	140	24	0	3	3	3	2	0	5	0	4
Dudley,	1732	Dea. Wm. H. Upham,				18	59	77	18	9	3	12	0	1	0	1	7	0
Dunstable,	1757	Lyman V. Parkhurst,	H. Linwood Hartwell, *p.*	'95	'99	26	53	79	10	4	4	8	0	1	0	1	2	1
Duxbury,	1843	John H. Haverstock,	Henry B. Mason, *p.*	'92	'00	13	61	74	21	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	3
East Bridgewater,	1826	C. W. Leach, Campello,				44	64	108	38	7	1	8	2	0	0	2	7	0

a N. Scituate. *b* Griswoldville. *c* Swift River. *d* North D. *e* Hardwick.

Chiltonville, *see* Plymouth. Clarendon Hills, *see* Hyde Park. Cliftondale, *see* Saugus. Cotuit, *see* Barnstable. Curtisville, *see* Stockbridge. Dorchester, *see* Boston.

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Chelmsford, N.,	Dea. Arthur H. Sheldon,	118	78	125	80	8	0	2	8	3	0	0	69	90	0	2,096
" Cen'l	Samuel Hagerman,	143	78	75	98	107	0	21	15	0	4	0	52	199	0	2,051
Chelsea, 1st,	Arthur C. Stone,	614	333	406	83	627	18	36	76	31	18	13	647	1,466	0	4,820
" Central,	George E. Morrill,	852	400		134	677	14	14	370	44	7	11	48	1,185	13,500	15,375
" 3d,	Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart,	390	118		80	109	9	10	17	14	0	14	108	281	0	2,902
Chester, 1st,	William Ward,	51	36	26	0	12	0	0	5	0	3	0	5	25	0	400
" 2d,	Mrs. O. J. Shepardson,	104	55	98	0	30	0	0	25	5	3	0	0	63	0	1,109
Chesterfield,	William H. Baker,	75	40	125	37	22	0	5	12	6	5	4	2	56	0	675
Chicopee, 1st,	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	72	46	41	25	21	2	5	0	28	3	2	22	83	0	1,150
" 2d, Falls,	Clinton A. Wood	198	115	130	30	117	55	36	370	103	30	5	73	789	0	2,950
" 3d,	M. H. Mosman,	137	84	90	51	116	0	7	41	114	23	6	758	1,065	0	3,000
Clinton,	Dea. A. G. Stickney,	615	312	300	155	470	65	27	884	22	64	16	1,479	3,027	0	5,964
" *German*,	Paul Gleisberg,	115	80	70	12	3	0	2	13	3	3	2	0	26	0	423
Cohasset,	Philander Bates,	148	69	130	61	167	16	24	379	13	10	0	0	609	0	2,440
" Beechwood,	Rev. Frank Park,	102	48	89	30	3	0	4	16	0	0	0	7	30	0	500
Colerain,	L. Griswold, **Griswoldville,**	60	21	75	21	23	1	1	5	4	5	1	73	113	0	800
Concord,	Benjamin Moody,	193	136	225	53	314	42	17	135	41	11	14	186	760	0	6,134
Conway,	Dea. E. W. Hamilton,	150	83	100	55	120	30	15	50	18	15	9	51	308	0	1,700
Cummington,	Mrs. Sarah H. Streeter,	155	77	97	26	62	4	3	24	20	6	0	17	136	0	875
" West,	A. N. Hubbard	40	30	40	22	17	0	0	10	0	0	1	8	36	0	186
Dalton,	Dea. Payson E. Little,	403	244	275	165	2,569	1,476	181	2,111	609	132	190	500	7,768	0	3,500
Dana,	Forest A. Hicks, **Nichewaug,**	28	18	42	20	5	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	15	0	300
Danvers Center,	Dea. William Siner,	196	100	160	57	149	9	6	41	34	5	0	19	263	0	2,063
" Maple st.,	Wallace P. Perry,	651	371	450	219	507	58	43	667	200	57	23	293	1,848	0	4,450
Dartmouth, So.,	E. B. Sturtevant,	55	27	100	30	0	0	0	7	5	0	0	13	25	0	750
Dedham,	James Y. Noyes,	209	136	200	98	656	105	105	744	119	67	40	310	2,146	1,000	5,091
Deerfield, South,	Rev. Edward O. Grisbrook,	130	76	125	42	33	18	20	50	118	9	3	30	281	0	1,199
"	John J. Greenough,	38	27	40	11	22	3	1	9	1	3	0	40	79	0	825
Dennis, South,	Andrew J. Hersey,	90	47	70	50	11	0	0	0	0	3	0	52	66	0	1,050
" Union,	Nathan A. Howes,	130	45	50	60	40	0	0	0	7	3	0	25	75	0	720
Dighton,	George A. Clark,	70	46	55	48	60	3	3	110	3	3	0	118	300	0	1,250
Douglas,	Ella Sweet,	37	30	40	22	8	0	0	5	5	0	0	5	23	0	1,100
" East,	Thomas H. Meek,	131	69	115	88	144	8	10	130	18	20	4	30	364	0	1,428
Dover,	George L. Howe,	49	29	52	38	42	0	0	29	14	7	0	16	108	0	465
Dracut, 1st,	James H. Richardson,	85	85	90	30	30	2	0	1	1	0	2	1	37	0	934
" Central,	Charles Toplin,	180	84	72	40	28	0	0	5	0	5	0	21	59	0	1,710
Dudley,	Miss Bertha E. Whiting,	134	52	65	48	19	2	0	21	2	5	0	5	54	0	1,165
Dunstable,	Dea. George A. Glover,	93	51	70	21	440	14	217	458	252	227	0	101	1,709	0	947
Duxbury,	Miss S. B. Higgins,	60	42	100	18	15	0	14	10	0	4	0	85	128	0	1,162
E. Bridgewater,	Charles W. Leach, **Campello,**	86	54	80	39	9	6	0	4	6	7	0	30	62	0	1,200

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Easthampton, 1st,	1785	H. L. Lyman,				92	213	305	56	5	2	7	2	4	0	6	4	5
" Payson,	1852	Charles H. Johnson,	Charles H. Hamlin, *p. c.*	'76	'85	130	356	486	80	15	15	30	9	5	0	14	3	6
East Longmeadow,	1829	Arthur G. Crane,	Harry C. McKnight, *p.*	'85	'98	34	66	100	21	5	4	9	1	0	0	1	2	4
Easton, Center,	1725	Dea. E B. Hayward,*a*	Augustus H. Fuller, *p.*	'78	'92	51	109	160	26	5	1	6	2	1	0	3	3	0
" *Swedish*, North,	1883	Edwin Person,	Lambert T. Lindholm, *p.*	'98	'98	29	28	57	6	15	12	27	0	0	5	5	0	10
Edgartown,	1642	Theo. S Wimpenney,	Charles L. Woodworth, *p.*	'89	'00	24	52	76	11	6	2	8	3	2	0	5	3	3
Egremont, South,	1816	Roscoe C. Taft,	[Bruce W. Cronmiller, *Pres.*]	'93	'96	24	74	98	40	4	2	6	3	0	0	3	4	3
Enfield,	1789	H H Barlow, Smiths,				72	137	209	42	0	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	4
Erving,	1832	William W Brown,	John A. Pogue, *p.*	'96	'00	20	42	62	14	1	0	1	2	2	0	4	0	0
Essex,	1683	Rufus Choate,	Edward A. Lathrop, *p.*	'95	'01	33	93	126	16	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	1
Everett, 1st,	1848	Dea. Franklin Pierce,	William I. Sweet, *p.*	'87	'97	180	259	439	60	20	20	40	2	6	2	10	11	6
" Courtland st.,	1891	H. S. Cullington,	George Y. Washburn, *p.*	'82	'00	19	32	51	7	6	1	7	1	0	0	1	4	3
" Mystic Side,	1893	George H. Wood,				51	90	141	15	11	7	18	3	4	0	7	5	0
Fairhaven,	1794	Dea. Tucker Damon, jr.	Frederick B. Lyman, *p.*	'00	'00	22	82	104	13	0	2	2	4	0	3	7	0	0
Fall River, 1st,	1816		William W. Adams, *p. c.*	'60	'63	64	195	259	30	9	9	18	3	1	3	7	6	13
" Central,	1842	James W Brigham,	William Knight, *p. c.c*	'86	'97	207	401	608	75	17	5	22	11	5	0	16	4	31
" Fowler,	1874	Rev. George W. Shaw,	Payson W. Lyman, *p. c.*	'71	'89	20	75	95	24	0	7	7	2	0	0	2	0	1
" *French*,	1886	Joseph M. Adams,	Samuel P. Rondeau, *p.*	'92	'96	34	42	76	14	16	0	16	1	0	6	7	16	3
" Broadway,	1894	Dea. Joseph Lewin,	James E. Enman, *p. c.*	'95	'99	19	50	69	4	7	2	9	0	2	2	4	1	7
Falmouth, 1st.	1708	Dea. Seba A Hol on,	John H. Quint, *p. c.*	'98	'00	39	103	142	37	3	3	6	5	3	2	10	2	2
" East,	1821	Dea. W W Eldredge,*b*				9	21	30	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1833	Dea. as. N Witherell,	Ezra N. Smith, *p.*	'72	'90	15	30	45	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
" Waquoit,	1849	Dea. John B. Fisher,	John W Brownville, *p.*	'73	'01	15	31	46	13	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
" Woods Holl,	1880	Miss Fannie Eldridge,	Joseph B. Long, *p.*	'90	'99	13	16	29	17	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	1768	George A. Hitchcock,	A. Frederic Dunnels, *p. c.*	'84	'99	143	259	402	77	28	13	41	6	6	37	49	0	2
" Rollstone,	1868	Frank C. Hoyt,	Wi iam O. Conrad, *p. c.*	'90	'96	198	389	587	90	5	26	31	6	14	0	20	2	8
" *German*,	1889	Gust. A. Basslack,	Fritz W Martini, *p. c.*	'97	'00	25	56	81	8	3	3	6	1	4	0	5	0	6
" *Swedish*,	1892	Ewald Remgren	Jonas Anderson *p c.*	'97	'99	37	56	93	4	11	1	12	1	6	7	14	0	2
Foxboro',	1779	Horace Carpenter,	Edward Evans, *p*	'75	'01	64	186	250	64	1	4	5	7	7	0	14	1	3
Framingham, Plymouth,	1701	Rev. L. R. Eastman,	Lucius R. Eastman, *p. c.*	'62	'71	79	195	274	25	3	1	4	6	3	3	12	1	1
" Saxonville,	1833	Dea. J. B. Johnson,	Arthu Titcomb, *p.*	'88	'99	35	112	147	40	0	3	3	4	1	0	5	0	0
" South,	1873	Fred L. Oakes,	Frederick E. Emrich, *p. c.*	'75	'89	135	286	421	65	14	15	29	6	20	0	26	7	6
Franklin, 1st,	1738	Dea. J Herbert Baker,	Isaiah W Sneath *p. c.*	'84	'99	82	208	290	52	5	3	8	12	7	19	38	3	18
Freetown, Assonet,	1807	Mrs. Evelyn Francis,	William F Warren, *p.*	'78	'98	9	14	23	2	3	3	6	2	0	0	2	3	0
Gardner,	1786	Dea. Henry H Smith,	Burton S. Gilman, *p. c.*	'97	'97	158	323	481	47	28	18	46	5	10	1	16	25	0
Georgetown, 1st,	1732	Mrs. H. H. Noyes,	F. Philip Estabrook, *p. c.*	'93	'98	29	102	131	34	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	5
" Memorial,	1864	Dea. Henry Hilliard,	C. Julian Tuthill, *p.*	'94	'95	29	79	108	21	6	1	7	3	1	3	7	6	0
Gill,	1796	Mrs. L. E. S. Moore,	William H. Dowden, *p.*	'63	'98	10	20	30	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Gloucester, West,	1716	Arthur M. Wilkins,	Temple Cutler, *p.*	'61	'95	28	40	68	10	13	1	14	1	0	0	1	7	4
" Trinity,	1829	John J. Pew,	Rufus P. Hibbard, *p. c.*	'68	'88	78	267	345	25	44	4	48	3	13	7	23	19	16

Enfield, *see* Pelham. *a* Eastondale. *b* Hatchville. *c* Edwin A. Buck, asst. p., '54, '57. Feeding Hills, *see* Agawam. Florence, *see* Northampton. Gilbertville, *see* Hardwick.

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Easthampton, 1st,	L. E. Parsons,	337	230	210	57	198	62	44	160	132	57	0	105	758	0	3,054
" Payson,	Samuel Brown,	225	186	200	85	202	15	30	583	50	10	14	226	1,130	0	4,082
E. Longmeadow,	Edward M. Burt,	120	81	61	35	63	2	3	33	7	20	2	24	154	0	980
Easton,	Chas. M. Ripley, So. Easton,	m308	185	225	90	130	9	9	50	18	16	7	132	371	0	2,435
" S., North,	William Borg,	125	110	50	25	15	0	0	5	0	0	0	8	28	0	1,306
Edgartown,	Mrs. H. R. F. Shepard,	65	40	50	38	10	3	3	32	6	3	0	20	77	0	900
Egremont, South,	Chester G. Dalzell,	88	30	54	42	13	4	6	9	8	5	0	25	70	0	
Enfield,	R. L. Thayer, Smiths,	239	157	170	55	263	120	15	124	180	16	15	105	838	0	2,000
Erving,	William W. Brown,	110	70	106	25	0	0	3	0	0	0	5	0	8	0	550
Essex,	Dea Gardner Burnham,	167	91	132	70	40	11	15	20	30	0	0	164	280	0	1,600
Everett, 1st,	George S. Marshall,	1,157	460	400	96	211	9	17	162	14	0	6	267	686	95	5,060
" Courtland st.	John M. Finch,	160	100	40	52	6	0	0	0	12	0	0	15	33	0	850
" Mystic Side,	Allison C. Smith,	344	202	200	44	73	12	6	44	23	10	2	4	174	0	2,542
Fairhaven,	Robert W. Taber,	142	88	152	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	10	0	1,574
Fall River, 1st,	G. Frank Allen,	290	170	250	149	575	7,409	119	3,388	76	77	0	15,204	26,848	0	5,857
" Cen'l,	Wilfred D. Fellows,	750	434	450	161	1,504	224	572	2,430	436	400	0	3,975	9,541	900	10,000
" Fowler,	Frederick W Lawson,	160	111	90	23	93	6	7	26	19	25	0	19	195	0	905
" *French*,	Rev Samuel P Rondeau,	55	50	29	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	16	0	429
" Broadway,	James Lightbown,	130	77	60	40	13	4	3	10	4	3	0	35	72	0	900
Falmouth, 1st,	W. C. Davis,	135	79	130	46	74	12	22	176	19	25	16	176	520	0	1,675
" East,	Wm. F. Robinson, Hatchville,	20		16	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
" North,	Dea. Silas Hatch, Hatchville,	60	30	50	20	45	5	5	25	33	2	49	0	164	100	800
" Waquoit,	Edward A. Little,	30	15	33	0	0	0	3	0	0	5	0	25	33	0	210
" Woods Holl,	Willis C. Gifford,	32	19	25	15	0	0	0	14	1	1	0	25	41	0	475
Fitchburg, Calv.	Albert C. Brown,	348	189		182	307	12	47	356	79	27	0	376	1,204	0	6,704
" Rollstone,	Charles A. Tilton,	544	302	500	163	422	29	29	564	172	59	23	412	1,710	0	5,273
" *German*,	Dea. Henry L. C. Behrens,	85	58	70	25	15	3	3	22	8	3	0	22	76	0	600
" *Swedish*,	William Patterson,	120	99	40	31	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	50	68	0	1,565
Foxboro',	William S. Kimball,	235	133	173	40	275	11	10	53	97	32	5	215	698	0	2,185
Framingham,	Lucius R. Eastman, jr.	175	100	140	86	469	231	55	692	386	0	0	131	1,964	0	3,226
" Saxonville,	Arthur C. Winch,	97	59	97	54	67	5	5	80	7	5	5	20	194	0	1,740
" South,	Edward W. Lamson,	477	265	350	120	382	134	88	464	175	64	20	1,481	2,808	0	6,889
Franklin, 1st,	Will S. Richardson,	m236	147	250	54	196	9	11	42	19	809	13	46	1,145	0	3,402
Freetown,	Miss M. Florence Dean,	42	30	36	30	6	5	3	5	3	2	4	6	34	0	510
Gardner,	George W. Swallow,	392	198	415	111	390	89	60	200	148	79	0	1,547	2,513	0	5,500
Georgetown, 1st,	Edwin S. Smith,	118	90	137	32	59	0	0	78	5	14	10	87	253	0	1,700
" Memorial,	Henry E. Perkins,	159	84	140	41	55	18	8	81	10	19	0	94	285	0	1,722
Gill,	Francis A. Foster,	35	25	19	24	1	0	0	8	0	6	0	0	15	0	967
Gloucester, West,	E. Walter Haskell,	80	53	57	25	22	0	0	27	22	0	0	27	98	0	400
" Trinity,	John Cunningham,	500	345	380	43	376	41	76	248	116	0	55	0	912	0	5,344

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Gloucester, **Lanesville,**	1839	Francis Reid,	Frank H. Reed, *p. c.*	'86	'85	51	102	153	35	33	3	36	3	1	0	4	22	2
" **Magnolia,**	1887	George A Upton,	[Markham W. Stackpole, *Lic.*]	'99		12	20	32	6	3	0	3	0	2	0	2	2	4
Goshen,	1780	Dea. N Shaw Swift River,	Calvin Keyser, *p. c.*	'75	'98	20	31	51	11	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	1	1
Grafton,	1731	H Catharine Allen,	Samuel A. Harlow, *p.*	'82	'01	32	86	118	34	0	0	0	4	4	6	14	0	0
" **Saundersville,**	1860	Wm. E. Fowler,	David Howie, *p.*	'89	'93	48	97	145	30	8	3	11	0	0	0	0	5	0
Granby,	1762	Dea. Simeon Kellogg,	Robert C. Bell, *p.*	'69	'92	69	133	202	30	2	5	7	2	2	2	6	2	0
Granville, East,	1747	Mrs. J. W. Johnson,				11	28	39	14	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" **West,**	1781	Mrs. G. W. Treat,	Gilbert A. Curtis, *p.*	'76	'00	25	31	56	29	3	0	3	1	5	0	6	0	0
Great Barrington,	1743	J. W. Curtiss,	Leon D. Bliss, *p. c.*	'89	'96	90	205	295	55	2	9	11	6	4	1	11	14	12
" **Housatonic,**	1841	Thomas E. Brown,	R. DeWitt Mallary *p.*	'76	'01	51	114	165	28	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	6
Greenfield, 1st,	1754	Charles W. Dinsmore,	Carey H Watson, *p.*	'91	'90	29	49	78	17	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	1
" 2d,	1817	Miss Lucia A. Peck,	Charles E. Beals, *p. c.*	'94	'00	97	259	356	52	16	15	31	6	10	0	16	8	4
Greenwich,	1749	Dea. C. B. Coit,	James P. Harper, *p.*	'94	'99	27	78	105	24	5	5	10	2	0	0	2	4	0
Groton,	1664	Darwin P. Keyes,	Louis B. Voorhees, *p. c.*	'71	'93	52	115	167	18	3	1	4	5	1	14	20	3	4
" **West,**	1893	Mrs. M. E. Williams,	Alfred S. Hudson *p*	'67	'92	7	10	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Groveland,	1727	Dea. W. B. Ladd,	Charles F Clarke, *p.*	'92	'99	26	75	101	18	2	7	9	0	2	0	2	1	1
Hadley, 1st,	1659	Martin S. Pierce,	Edward E. Keedy, *p.*	'94	'94	61	131	192	40	3	1	4	6	3	0	9	2	0
" 2d, **North,**	1831	Orville W. Prouty,	John W. Lane, *p. c.*	'60	'77	52	77	129	46	1	0	1	2	2	1	5	1	1
Halifax,	1734	Miss M. J. Danforth,	Jesse H Jones, *p.*	'61	'97	13	33	46	19	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Hamilton,	1714	Dea. J. P. Lovering,	Jesse G Nichols, *p. c.*	'94	'94	31	70	101	26	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Hampden,	1785	Dea. A. B. Newell,	George J Newton, *p.*	'97	'01	26	52	78	18	5	2	7	1	0	0	1	3	0
Hanover, West,	1728	Dea. Francis B. Ellis,	Edward D Disbrow *p.*	'92	'95	10	45	55	6	3	0	3	2	6	0	8	3	0
" Four Corners,	1854	Henry B Barstow	John Wild, *p.*	'92	'92	11	32	43	7	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Hanson,	1748	Dea. G. W. Severance,	Roland D. Sawyer, *p.*	'00	'00	10	31	41	8	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	1	0
Hardwick,	1736	Rev. Harlan Page,	Harlan Page, *p.*	'83	'91	12	35	47	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	2
" **Gilbertville,**	1867	Alfred H. Richardson,	Samuel A. Barrett, *p.*	'88	'99	51	82	133	38	10	5	15	1	3	0	4	3	2
Harvard,	1821	Dea. J.W. Bacon, Ayer,	Jason G Miller, *p. c.*	'99	'99	23	40	63	7	1	4	5	6	2	0	8	1	0
Harwich,	1747	Franklin Underwood,	Charles H Rowley *p.*	'81	'99	20	51	71	15	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
" **Port,**	1855	Mrs. Emulous Small,	Sampson Nicholls, *p.*	'78	'00	7	45	52	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hatfield,	1671	Dea. James Porter,	Robert M Woods, *p c.*	'77	'76	101	173	274	34	0	1	1	4	1	0	5	0	5
Haverhill, Bradford,	1682	S. Willard Carleton,	John D.Kingsbury, *p.c.em.*	'56	'66	139	302	441	37	15	1	16	6	10	0	16	10	3
" **West,**	1735	Edward Webster,	John N Lowell *p. c.*	'77	'80	57	92	149	44	2	2	4	3	2	0	5	1	1
" **4th,**	1744	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	George L. Gleason *p. c.*	'66	'88	6	13	19	9	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	0
" Center,	1833	Charles N. Dyer,	Calvin M. Clark, *p. c.*	'90	'93	120	331	451	90	11	10	21	8	5	0	13	7	7
" North,	1859	George C. How,	James S. Williamson, *p.c.*	'90	'99	136	367	503		23	14	37	10	2	0	12	9	1
" Riverside,	1884	Clifton M. Foster,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*	'66	'88	23	60	83	11	4	3	7	0	0	2	2	4	0
" Union,	1891	Mrs. M. Lawrence,	Albert F. Newton, *p. c.*	'77	'98	40	100	140	19	10	5	15	1	6	0	7	8	4
" St. John's, *French,*	'93	Mrs. Chas. L. Charron,	Charles L. Charron, *p.*	'98	'00	14	17	31	14	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	2	3
" **Ward Hill,**	1893	Dea. J. Harlan Chase,	Charles Clark, *p. c.*	'94	'97	27	54	81	12	7	5	12	3	1	0	4	7	6
Hawley,	1788	Mrs. F. S. Bissell,	Hohannes T. Torosyan, *p.*	'99	'99	18	28	46	13	0	1	1	1	4	0	5	0	2
" **West,**	1825	Willis Vincent,	Thomas S. Robie, *p.*	'59	'90	23	34	57	11	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Heath,	1802	H.E.Stetson, **N. Heath,**	Frank R. Snowdon, *p.*	'97	'97	15	33	48	3	0	2	2	0	2	7	9	0	0

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Gloucester, L'v'le	Joseph H. Andrews,	179	91	105	61	8	0	0	20	0	0	0	15	43	0	1,050
" Magnolia,	Ernest W. Dunbar,	70	55	70	23	11	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	26	0	1,731
Goshen,	J. R. Mollison,	49	24	43	20	25	0	0	10	3	0	0	2	40	0	400
Grafton,	William Loynd,	114	58	93	44	174	0	0	51	32	0	0	26	283	0	1,698
" Saundersville,	James T. Shirley,	156	100	116	88	65	5	10	30	5	5	3	25	148	0	2,286
Granby,	Dea. Frank A. Forward,	140	77	86	46	164	7	4	99	105	3	4	22	408	0	1,216
Granville, East,	Edward Roberts,	30	15	36	0	18	5	5	5	0	0	0	4	37	0	700
" West,	Mrs. Charles Sheets,	32	23	30	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	1	11	0	235
Great Barrington	E. J. Van Lennep,	177	138	210	82	453	47	36	157	99	26	35	482	1,335	0	4,467
" Housatonic,	W. C. French,	155	120	150	42	156	3	12	113	96	29	5	124	538	0	1,800
Greenfield, 1st,	Lewis N. Smead,	86	46	75	28	55	0	10	10	18	10	0	60	163	0	888
" 2d,	Francis A. Alvord,	284	228	300	85	350	59	59	389	219	59	15	277	1,427	0	6,215
Greenwich,	F. P. Hall, G. Village,	65	40	50	48	35	5	9	34	55	10	0	104	252	0	577
Groton,	Dea. Nelson N. Torrey,	145	79	110	53	155	365	15	397	64	29	0	68	1,093	0	3,500
" West,	Charles Bixby,	70	35		23	13	0	0	13	0	5	0	0	31	0	330
Groveland,	Charles S. Huntress,	135	84	150	20	102	0	3	18	9	0	4	174	310	300	1,270
Hadley, 1st,	C. H. Howard,	160	82	100	40	168	19	13	141	49	12	4	59	465	0	1,490
" 2d, North,	Charles S. Abbott,	96	40	71	30	16	0	0	30	0	0	0	7	53	0	644
Halifax,	Miss M. J. Danforth,	35	23	58	26	34	0	0	27	0	0	0	22	83	0	500
Hamilton,	E.A.Smith, Wenham Depot,	125	60	160	104	38	0	0	41	32	7	0	239	360	0	1,592
Hampden,	Dea. Alonzo B. Newell,	50	26	45	0	15	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	18	0	771
Hanover, West,	Henry McNayr,	85	45	85	50	3	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	11	0	962
" Four Corners,	Israel Hatch,	48	30	50	18	30	4	3	8	3	5	2	23	78	0	719
Hanson,	Malinda A. Carr,	65	54	120	42	30	1	1	7	6	6	2	29	82	0	652
Hardwick,	Rev. Harlan Page,	55	18	80	23	10	0	0	15	0	0	0	6	31	0	1,000
" Gilbertville,	Elmer M. Marsh,	206	157	131	33	250	10	75	187	91	36	11	203	863	0	2,316
Harvard,	Charles L. Clay,	100	53	50	50	108	6	4	23	8	10	0	76	234	0	1,244
Harwich,	Cyrenus S. Hunt,	85	40	92	87	22	0	0	35	19	5	0	39	120	0	1,200
" Port,	Mrs. Jehiel Jordan,	83	46	100	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000
Hatfield,	S. F. Billings,	160	94	135	50	417	29	58	202	42	32	11	162	953	3,400	2,159
Haverhill, B'fd,	George E. Kimball,	m353	179	400	95	192	15	20	299	35	21	0	101	683	0	3,200
" West,	Dea. F. A. Russell,	153	82	100	67	72	16	14	43	32	18	0	42	237	0	1,450
" 4th,	Joseph H. Jaques,	30	19	36	0	30	35	0	63	32	0	0	225	385	160	450
" Center,	Dea. Perry E. Elliott,	405	215	400	108	315	11	48	349	278	40	0	155	1,196	160	4,500
" North,	Irwin W. Tapley,	m286	193	500	115	750	25	25	1,003	100	25	25	8,996	10,949	0	8,287
" Riverside,	Dea. A. W. Brown,	265	138	220	126	11	0	8	26	9	0	0	45	99	0	1,050
" Union,	Jacob K. Nute,	300	183	250	101	21	0	0	25	10	5	0	27	88	0	2,000
" St. John's, *Fr.*	Rev. Charles L. Charron,	31	17	31	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	45
" Ward Hill,	Herbert C. Waldo,	136	82	115	56	17	0	0	21	3	3	0	2	46	0	1,400
Hawley,	Horace C. Harmon,	32	23	37	15	19	0	5	21	4	2	0	10	61	0	340
" West,	C. C. Fuller,	40	28	48	30	9	2	2	8	4	7	0	23	55	0	350
Heath,	Miss Mamie E. Maxwell,	85	52	80	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	30	0	750

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Hingham,	1847	E. M. Lane, **H. Center,**	Arthur Truslow, *p.*	'96	'99	38	64	102	22	3	2	5	0	2	6	8	1	1
" **Bethany, Nantasket,**	1891	M. P. Beale,				6	14	20	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4
Hinsdale,	1795	James Hosmer,	James H. Laird, *p. c.*	'64	'83	49	107	156	43	0	7	7	6	7	0	13	0	4
Holbrook,	1856	Seth C. Sawyer,				70	158	228	53	0	0	0	9	1	0	10	0	0
Holden,	1742	Miss Nancy Perry,	Thomas E. Babb, *p.*	'69	'92	41	64	105	27	3	8	11	2	0	0	2	2	0
Holland,	1765	Mrs. Ella J. Webber,	Josiah G. Willis, *p.*	'76	'96	9	21	30	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Holliston,	1728	Dea. Wm. Daniels,	Nicholas Van der Pyl, *p.c.*	'93	'95	66	166	232	43	0	2	2	6	4	0	10	0	1
Holyoke, 1st,	1799	John K. Judd,	George W. Winch, *p. c.*	'75	'88	95	197	292	16	7	7	14	9	4	0	13	3	8
" 2d,	1849	Dea. C. J. Humeston,	Edward A. Reed, *p. c.*	'71	'86	297	669	966	155	48	13	61	16	13	20	49	19	30
" *French,*	1886	George Robert, M. D.,	Charles H. Vessot, *p.*	'92	'93	20	20	40	8	2	1	3	2	0	0	2	0	4
Hopkinton,	1724	Fred A. Wood,	James B. King, *p. c.*	'84	'99	56	115	171	20	2	3	5	4	17	28	49	0	0
Hubbardston,	1770	Miss Lucy H. Grimes,	Milan H. Hitchcock, *p.*	'57	'99	23	36	59	20	3	0	3	3	1	1	5	3	0
Hudson,	1889	Almon W. Aldrich,	Almon J. Rackliffe, *p.*	'82	'94	36	78	114	19	4	4	8	3	3	1	7	2	3
Huntington, 1st, Norwich,	1778	Charles H. Kirkland,	Webster L. Hendrick, *p.*	'89	'98	27	42	69	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	2	0
" 2d,	1846	Frank S. Jones,				35	93	128	33	2	1	3	2	3	0	5	1	0
Hyde Park,	1863	Wil iam W Lewis,	Henry N. Hoyt, *p. c.*	'76	'98	212	451	663	164	13	10	23	15	9	3	27	8	10
" **Clarendon Hills,**	1880	George Jeffers,	Arsene B. Schmavonian, *p.*	'99	'01	26	38	64	19	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1
Ipswich, 1st,	1634	Dea. J. H. Cogswell,	Edward Constant, *p.*	'83	'92	35	118	153	24	1	4	5	8	4	0	12	1	0
" South,	1747	Jesse H. Wade,	T. Frank Waters, *p. c.*	'76	'79	28	129	157		0	0	0	3	0	1	4	0	0
" Linebrook,	1749	Dea. J. H. Tenney,	William P. Alcott, *p. c.*	'68	'85	21	23	44	12	2	0	2	0	4	0	4	0	0
Kingston,	1828		Ernest M. Bartlett, *p.*	'97	'00	17	56	73	20	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Lakeville,	1725	Dea. C. F Paull, **Myricks,**	George H. Perry, *p.*	'87	'98	35	33	68	21	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Lancaster,	1839	Horatio Bailey,	Dwight Goddard, *p.*	'94	'00	35	58	93	39	0	0	0	3	0	2	5	0	0
Lanesboro,	1764	Dea. Wm. S. Royce,	Owen James, *p.*	'94	'00	4	13	17	3	8	2	10	2	0	0	2	7	3
Lawrence, Lawrence st.,	1847	Albert I. Couch,	William E. Wolcott, *p. c.*	'81	'85	150	393	543	174	12	7	19	6	8	0	14	3	3
" South,	1868	Dea. G. W Dinsmore,	David P. Hatch, *p. c.*	'86	'99	40	102	142	38	5	4	9	0	5	0	5	2	3
" Riverside,	1878	Richard Shiers,	Charles P. Marshall, *p. c.*	'98	'00	28	78	106	17	9	0	9	0	3	25	28	1	9
" Trinity,	1883	Edwin Fletcher,	Frederick H. Page, *p. c.*	'93	'96	125	275	400	60	4	8	12	3	11	0	14	0	8
" United,	1886	Christopher Warburton	Herbert G. Mank, *p. c.*	'89	'98	43	114	157	20	12	5	17	0	0	0	0	1	2
Lee,	1780	Dea. Charles H. Sabin,	Lyman S. Rowland, *p. c.*	'64	'77	118	247	365	65	0	2	2	6	11	4	21	0	3
Leicester,	1719	George O. Currier,	David C. Reid, *p. c.*	'84	'94	67	124	191	65	5	2	7	6	6	0	12	3	6
Lenox,	1769	Dea. Henry Sedgwick,	Frederick Lynch, *p.*	'99	'99	55	102	157	24	10	5	15	1	3	0	4	5	3
Leominster,	1822	Walter N. Howe,	Lawrence Phelps, *p.*	'75	'99	140	311	451	42	8	2	10	8	5	29	42	4	2
" **North,**	1874	Mrs. Emma G. Hall,				19	45	64	10	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	2
Leverett,	1774	Mrs. Ira M. Boynton,	Richard Scoles, *p.*	'80	'99	42	63	105	18	3	5	8	5	0	0	5	2	0
" **Moore's Corner,**	1896	Mrs. J. Maynard,				16	19	35	8	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lexington,	1868	James P. Prince,	Charles F. Carter, *p. c.*	'83	'96	58	122	180	26	0	2	2	5	3	2	10	0	4
Lincoln,	1747	George L. Chapin,	Edward E. Bradley, *p. c.*	'93	'93	30	49	79	29	1	1	2	2	0	0	2	2	2
Littleton,	1840	Mabel H. Mason,	Charles E. Havens, *p.*	'81	'01	40	92	132	14	2	1	3	0	6	0	6	1	1
Longmeadow,	1716	Edward P. Tabor,				54	132	186	0	4	5	9	3	3	0	6	1	1

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Hingham,	George E. Kimball,	112	65	85	85	95	0	3	20	8	16	0	5	147	0	1,242
" Bethany,	H. O. Beale,	45	30	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	150	0	600
Hinsdale,	William B. Barlow,	217	86	110	60	263	0	0	248	52	3	10	148	724	0	1,560
Holbrook,	Leonard Belcher,	192	100	165		196	285	24	567	61	60	17	0	1,210	0	2,430
Holden,	Herbert J. Jones,	98	64	120	34	60	3	6	46	6	8	0	4	133	0	1,540
Holland,	Freeman B. Blodgett,	36	16	28	0	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	26	0	200
Holliston,	Louis B. Dyer	232	81	225	58	121	0	17	121	40	10	0	131	440	0	2,999
Holyoke, 1st,	John J Ramage,	515	296	351	110	220	21	22	255	74	60	16	1,104	1,772	0	21,000
" 2d,	A H. Morton,	1,118	649	605	199	1,902	67	5,385	4,454	145	60	62	29,369	41,444	0	10,833
" *French*,	Adolph Fluhmann,	20	15	30	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	10	15	0	100
Hopkinton,	James D. Stewart,	154	88	175	35	56	16	14	76	39	12	12	309	534	0	1,636
Hubbardston,	Charles T. Wyman,	63	36	53	0	96	8	8	43	22	5	0	33	215	0	637
Hudson,	Milton T. Bailey,	172	113	90	87	69	0	0	43	0	5	0	26	143	25	2,890
Huntington, 1st,	Frank B. Fox, Norwich,	70	45	40	30	0	0	3	0	0	25	0	0	28	0	1,200
" 2d,	Edward Raby,	80	50	85	35	47	2	5	7	32	7	1	12	113	20	1,188
Hyde Park,	William D. Ward,	699	362		158	1,091	160	50	574	0	69	66	400	2,410	0	8,692
" Cl. Hills,	Henry L. Johnson,	136	80	100	50	42	0	0	35	0	7	3	0	87	0	950
Ipswich, 1st,	Rev. Edward Constant,	166	91	150	55	145	5	15	149	85	24	0	127	550	0	2,911
" South,	Frank T. Goodhue,	100	65		0	66	30	40	56	158	40	10	308	708	0	1,755
" Linebrook,	Albert F. Tenney,	40	28	40	16	71	0	0	12	17	4	0	9	113	0	600
Kingston,	Miss F. B. McLauthlin,	56	32	65	27	60	0	3	37	12	5	1	27	145	0	446
Lakeville,	Thomas P. Paull, Myricks,	52	28	48	0	77	0	10	18	18	10	0	25	158	0	750
Lancaster,	Dea. John F. Keyes,	85	62	84	0	154	3	0	104	76	19	0	83	439	0	939
Lanesboro,	Dea. William S. Royce,	35	30	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350
Lawrence, L. st.	Charles H. Choate,	m450	285	350	121	209	22	21	1,136	177	60	0	445	2,070	0	4,800
" South,	Herbert B. Merrick,	316	206	200	57	30	0	15	41	27	2	0	21	136	0	3,046
" Riverside,	Richard Shiers,	175	126	80	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	815
" Trinity,	Wilbur E. Rowell,	280	225	32	78	188	0	18	79	31	27	0	522	865	0	4,715
" United,	Francis A. Hall,	205	120	160	82	15	0	0	14	9	0	0	4	42	0	3,200
Lee,	Augustus R. Smith,	188	148	195	80	1,287	77	0	777	252	67	0	1,204	3,664	1,090	3,969
Leicester,	A. S. Conant,	150	70	100	54	322	28	4	471	33	6	25	81	970	4,700	2,443
Lenox,	Thomas S. Morse,	140	75	95	29	74	17	12	87	20	0	0	129	339	5,554	2,200
Leominster,	R. Lincoln Chandler,	135	89	75	72	239	7	22	233	18	14	0	289	822	0	4,547
" North,	Charles H. Haven,	135	89	75	72	100	10	10	114	21	5	6	0	266	0	1,700
Leverett,	C. H ll Beaman,	m140	77	95	27	10	0	0	12	9	0	0	58	89	0	861
" Moore's Cor.	Elmer E. Briggs,	57	34	51	0	22	0	3	10	0	4	0	0	39	0	352
Lexington,	Allston M. Ridman,	197	142	125	49	357	44	80	272	138	35	0	255	1,181	0	4,489
Lincoln,	George L Chapin,	45	29	80	30	420	0	30	350	190	25	0	0	1,015	0	1,800
Littleton,	Eugene B. Barker,	90	47	50	35	31	6	7	22	12	22	6	25	131	0	7,452
Longmeadow,	William F. Emerson,	130	95	143	27	501	97	23	175	70	21	23	79	989	0	4,513

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Lowell, Pawtucket,	1797	Dea. John J. Colton,	William G. Poor, *p.*	'85	'00	54	115	169	19	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
" 1st,	1826	Dea. Andrew Liddell	Franke A. Warfield, *p. c.*	'71	'98	153	394	547	180	1	3	4	6	6	0	12	0	1
" 1st Trinitarian,	1826	Dea. David A Eaton,	George F. Kenngott, *p. c.*	'89	'92	191	436	627	130	64	15	79	5	7	0	12	38	15
" Eliot,	1830	Frank W Corey	John M. Greene, *p. c. em.* E. Victor Bigelow, *p. c.*	'57 '91	'70 '01	131	323	454	103	27	8	35	9	4	0	13	15	4
" John st.,	1839	Wm H G Wight,	George H. Johnson, *p. c.*	'77	'92	55	134	189	59	0	0	0	13	6	0	19	0	0
" Kirk st.,	1845	Albert L. Thompson,	William A. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'86	'96	187	445	632	190	50	20	70	6	12	11	29	26	4
" High st.,	1846	Dea. Francis N. Chase,	Chas. W. Huntington, *p. c.*	'81	'88	74	165	239	45	9	9	18	7	6	0	13	4	4
" *French*,	1877	Auguste Sarré,	Thomas G. A. Coté, *p.*	'71	'95	61	54	115	50	5	0	5	0	2	0	2	2	3
" Highland,	1884	Frank B. Wiggin,				84	214	298	20	11	8	19	5	3	1	9	6	1
" *Swed.*,	1885	Dea. Alfred Swanson,	Andrew P. Nelson, *p. c.*	'94	'97	26	59	85	8	3	0	3	0	1	1	2	0	6
" *Norwegian*,	1895	Dea. Anton Justad,				7	11	18	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ludlow, Center,	1789	Rev. E. D Francis,	Everett D. Francis, *p. c.*	'95	'95	64	94	158	33	31	5	36	3	0	0	3	14	1
" Union,	1867	Albert A. Gove,				52	95	147	12	0	1	1	0	6	0	6	0	6
Lunenburg,	1835	Edmund S. Francis,	David Wallace, *p.*	'94	'97	27	68	95	30	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lynn, 1st,	1632	Guilford S. Newhall,	William C. Merrill, *p.*	'84	'96	89	186	275	27	16	17	33	8	5	2	15	10	4
" Central,	1850	Will am A. Perkins,	Charles F. Weeden, *p. c.*	'88	'01	97	225	322	58	4	6	10	6	5	10	21	2	0
" Chestnut st.,	1860	George E. Sargent,				44	154	198	54	3	2	5	1	4	0	5	1	3
" North,	1869	W. Fred Haskell,	Arthur J. Covell, *p. c.*	'90	'98	68	160	228	35	6	16	22	5	1	0	6	5	1
" *Scand.*,	1888	Andrew Ridderstrom;	John A. Johnson, *p. c.*	'92	'94	44	64	108	20	7	2	9	2	1	2	5	0	23
Lynnfield, Center,	1720	Charles E. Pearson	Will am E. Renshaw, *p.*	'84	'01	19	59	78	12	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
" 2d,	1854	Miss Lucy E. Brown,	William E. Renshaw, *p.*	'84	'01	6	32	38	10	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Malden, 1st,	1649	Percy E. Walbridge,	Henry H. French, *p. c.*	'86	'94	237	485	722	147	4	10	14	11	19	1	31	1	1
" Maplewood,	1874	Charles H. Keeler	Charles S. McFarland, *p.*	'97	'00	52	113	165	36	0	2	2	3	8	0	11	0	6
" Linden,	1876	John E. W. Doane,	John C. Williams, *p.*	'90	'95	18	63	81	14	2	7	9	1	0	2	3	1	3
Manchester,	1716	George F. Allen,	Walter H. Ashley, *p.*	'78	'98	51	118	169	14	0	0	0	1	2	17	20	0	3
Mansfield,	1838	Edward P. Fitts,	Herman F. Swartz, *p. c.*	'98	'98	98	204	302	35	29	7	36	6	5	1	12	18	2
Marblehead,	1684	Daniel Appleton,	S. Linton Bell, *p. c.*	'77	'84	53	183	236	45	6	0	6	7	1	0	8	3	3
Marion,	1703	Rev. H. L. Brickett,	Harry L. Brickett, *p. c.*	'83	'94	25	67	92	16	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	1	11
Marlboro,	1666	F. L. Claflin,	Lincoln B. Goodrich, *p. c.*	'93	'96	118	263	381	66	18	15	33	9	7	5	21	10	6
" *French*,	1891	Mrs. S. E. Olmstead,	Samuel E. Lord, *p.*	'98	'98	10	20	30	4	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshfield, 1st,	1632	Dea. John H. Bourne,	Burton A. Lucas, *p.*	'97	'01	30	61	91	25	0	1	1	3	3	0	6	0	0
" Hills,	1835	Israel H. Hatch, No. M.				8	22	30	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Mattapoisett,	1736	L. L. B. Dexter,	Robert Humphrey, *p.*	'83	'96	18	64	82	15	3	1	4	0	2	1	3	2	4
Maynard,	1852	John W. Flood,	Charles H. Washburn, *p. c.*	'85	'99	52	160	212	75	1	7	8	0	3	8	11	0	12
Medfield,	1828	Dea. Francis S. Wight,	Leroy M. Pierce, *p.*	'70	'97	25	95	120	29	8	9	17	0	5	0	5	0	9
Medford, Mystic,	1847	Nathaniel A. Dyer,	Elijah Horr, *p.*	'67	'00	136	305	441	49	16	4	20	8	16	0	24	7	4
" West,	1872	Henry Newcomb,	Judson V. Clancy, *p. c.*	'87	'96	70	157	227	55	5	10	15	2	8	0	10	1	11
" Union,	1887	Wm. H. Hodgman,	Isaac Pierson, *p. c.*	'70	'95	41	77	118	35	14	12	26	1	5	0	6	7	4
Medway, 2d, West,	1750	Wm. W. Ollendorff,	George E. Sweet, *p.*	'90	'99	40	89	129	18	0	2	2	1	1	41	43	1	1
" Village,	1838	Wm. A. Hitchcock,	Robert W. Drawbridge, *p. c.*	'97	'00	62	134	196	65	0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Lowell, Pt.,	Charles A. Richardson,	304	173	180	84	90	0	0	63	59	10	0	90	312	600	3,165
" 1st,	Walter H. Barton,	453	232	400	135	184	37	26	194	0	0	0	125	566	0	15,289
" 1st Trin.,	Clifford B. Carey,	735	350	600	175	175	32	36	167	123	79	8	327	947	0	14,886
" Eliot,	Dea. Edward E. Sargent,	357	201	300	187	239	15	13	550	25	15	0	300	1,157	0	5,653
" John st.,	William H. G. Wight,	93	63	110	42	176	5	0	81	44	15	0	69	390	5,000	3,040
" Kirk st.,	Willard Everett,	350	230	400	92	628	653	410	3,638	257	29	22	8,790	14,427	120	11,090
" High st.,	Dea. Albert L. Bachelier,	251	140	225	118	234	74	70	691	116	66	0	2,020	3,271	0	4,865
" *French*,	Emil Paignon,	45	35	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	500
" Highl'd,	Edgar A. Durand,	396	155	250	41	65	0	0	20	3	20	0	282	390	0	25,200
" *Swed.*,	Rev. Andrew P. Nelson,	65	55	35	33	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	50	60	0	1,140
" *Norwegian*			33	16	0	7	2	0	40	0	0	0	9	58	0	186
Ludlow, Center,	G. D. Atchinson,	135	86	70	40	31	21	5	30	15	9	0	21	132	0	1,225
" Union,	A. P. Lane,	95	75	120	32	55	0	0	5	0	5	0	10	75	0	1,300
Lunenburg,	Alphonsus K. Francis,	107	47	70	22	7	0	0	8	15	6	0	25	61	350	2,044
Lynn, 1st,	Wilfred Barnes,	267	153	175	100	40	45	20	43	83	5	0	361	597	0	3,818
" Central,	Henry P. Emerson,	863	387	200	176	288	20	15	35	75	15	5	1,605	2,058	0	9,494
" Chestnut st.,	Benjamin H. Cromlin,	156	90	143	98	24	2	5	92	4	2	1	355	485	0	1,986
" North,	Francis Haseltine,	252	131	240	77	106	12	20	70	121	14	12	185	540	0	3,856
" *Scand.*,	John A. Lindberg,	75	53	57	50	60	0	7	4	5	0	0	100	176	0	1,265
Lynnfield, Cen.,	George Hatch,	98	56	70	28	130	0	0	45	25	21	0	3	224	0	1,033
" 2d,	Mrs. M. A. Newhall,	86	52	60	13	35	0	0	22	0	5	0	0	62	0	323
Malden, 1st,	Fred L. Cressy,	m807	384	900	230	463	267	25	943	78	31	5	985	2,797	0	7,963
" Maplewood,	Frederick J. Smith,	324	176	225	105	62	4	7	109	181	9	12	296	680	0	2,061
" Linden,	Joseph D. Crosby,	147	64	100	35	14	0	0	8	0	0	0	87	109	0	1,566
Manchester,	Dea. Oliver L. Roberts,	206	107	200	177	88	0	15	81	56	10	8	92	350	0	2,562
Mansfield,	William A. Copeland,	340	210	300	119	330	8	15	131	70	21	8	73	656	0	2,061
Marblehead,	John G. Broughton,	335	198	225	107	214	0	4	80	30	23	6	535	892	1,000	3,341
Marion,	William A. Andrew,	164	75	110	70	72	60	8	128	21	47	0	167	503	0	2,261
Marlboro,	Dea. Elmer D. Howe,	248	204	290	55	336	43	68	244	208	53	40	420	1,412	700	4,255
" *French*,	A. B. Davis,	27	20	17	17	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	0	162
Marshfield, 1st,	Charles R. Copeland,	104	63	118	26	22	5	21	20	18	25	0	3	114	0	985
" Hills,	Miss Agnes L. Sherman,	36	23	40	27	17	0	5	4	6	6	0	14	52	0	854
Mattapoisett,	Thomas L. Ames,	185	100	100	60	25	8	9	14	55	9	0	30	150	0	1,100
Maynard,	William H. Gutteridge,	223	135	200	103	85	35	11	40	0	4	0	51	226	0	2,030
Medfield,	Richard E. Cole,	89	47	80	54	61	5	5	35	7	6	0	15	134	0	1,160
Medford, Mystic,	Charles E. Miller,	m547	347	340	124	593	37	28	488	172	81	0	277	1,676	0	5,516
" West,	Fred. H. C. Woolley,	258	135	230	107	229	17	28	154	49	23	16	123	639	0	3,331
" Union,	Percy N. Hodgman,	232	135	140	78	133	3	24	110	21	4	0	11	306	0	1,334
Medway, 2d. W.,	E. L. Williams,	126	62	120	45	33	2	0	25	5	5	0	37	107	0	1,134
" Village,	James T. Adams,	100	64	141	0	13	0	20	0	9	0	0	34	76	0	1,391

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Medway 3d West,	1886					7	20	27	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	4	0	0
Melrose,	1848	Dea. Isaac A. Cockran,	Thomas Sims, *p.*	'75	'97	160	311	471	58	10	15	25	6	6	0	12	6	1
Highlands,	1875	George W. Basford,	Burke F Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'93	103	241	344	56	12	23	35	8	11	1	20	6	10
Merrimac,	1726	Richard A. Sargent,	James W. Flagg, *p.*	'82	'01	139	267	406	100	17	0	17	4	7	0	11	13	3
Methuen,	1729	Chas. H. T. Mann,	Charles H. Oliphant, *p. c.*	'76	'84	71	182	253	26	3	5	8	5	4	0	9	1	0
Middleboro, 1st,	1694	Dea. A. H Soule,*a*	George W. Stearns, *p.*	'83	'91	54	103	157	29	1	5	6	6	2	0	8	1	2
" North,	1748	Dea. Percy W Keith,	Charles L Tomblen, *p. c.*	'77	'99	38	67	105	25	3	3	6	2	2	1	5	2	0
" Central,	1847	Dea. Henry W. Sears,	Rich'd G.Woodbridge,*p.c.*	'81	'93	111	240	351	45	6	7	13	5	8	10	23	5	1
Middlefield,	1783	Mrs. Harriet E. Smith,	Henry M. Bowden, *p.*	'86	'99	33	49	82	34	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Middleton,	1729	Galen B. Howe,	Leslie C Greeley, *p.*	'98	'98	34	76	110	20	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	3	0
Milford,	1741	Willard S. Wood,	Edward D. Eaton, *p*	'76	'01	70	199	269	52	9	7	16	10	10	2	22	2	3
Millbury,	1747	Albert G. Hurd,	George A. Putnam, *p. c.*	'60	'71	36	124	160	57	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	3
" 2d,	1827	Ira N. Goddard,	George P. Eastman, *p. c.*	'91	'91	42	124	166	44	0	0	0	1	3	1	5	0	3
Millis,	1714	Dea. J. Warren Clark,	Albert H. Wheelock, *p.*	'88	'93	26	75	101	32	0	4	4	3	1	0	4	0	0
Milton,	1678	A. H.Tucker, Mattapan,	Henry S. Huntington, *p.*	'66	'88	34	69	103	24	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	1	2
" East,	1843	Dea. Frank Kemp,	Andrew H Mulnix, *p. c.*	'98	'99	16	41	57	1	4	5	9	0	2	0	2	2	0
Monson,	1762	Miss H. L. Stiles,	N Miller Pratt, *p.*	'96	'01	85	174	260	36	2	4	6	7	7	1	15	2	4
Montague,	1752	Sanford Marsh,	Ernest W Eldridge, *p.*	'93	'00	38	90	128	25	1	2	3	1	4	0	5	1	0
" Miller's Falls,	1872	Mrs. F. H. Giles,	Dorr A Hudson *p.*	'91	'93	14	43	57	11	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	0
" Turner'sFalls,	1875	Frank N. Conant,	Frank N. Merriam, *p. c.*	'92	'97	30	65	95	15	5	1	6	1	4	9	14	1	9
Monterey,	1750	Mrs. Wilber F Miner,	John Dooly, *p.*	'72	'98	31	72	103	39	4	0	4	3	1	0	4	1	1
Mt. Washington,	1874	Mrs. Cora E. Schul				8	19	27	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Nantucket,	1728	Miss Phebe W.Bunker,	Walcott Fay, *p.*	'84	'97	10	94	104	0	1	0	1	5	0	0	5	1	0
Natick,	1802	Dea. Chas. H. Jones,	Frederick E. Sturgis, *p. c.*	'68	'84	200	457	657	140	6	11	17	9	20	0	29	4	10
" South,	1859	Mrs. A. M. Blanchard,	Arthur J. Benedict, *p.*	'75	'00	25	40	65	28	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Needham,	1857	Joseph Willett,	Ralph J. Haughton, *p.*	'91	'99	68	127	195	28	7	5	12	2	0	4	6	1	4
New Bedford, Acushnet,	1696	Dea. Fred. B. Hawes,	F. Lincoln Davis, *p.*	'93	'99	16	43	59	18	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1807	William R. Chase,	John A MacCall, *p c.*	'83	'90	145	381	526	49	21	14	35	16	18	0	34	12	3
" Trinitarian,	1831	James C. Briggs,	Matthew C. Julien, *p.*	'72	'72	48	146	194	35	1	0	1	5	1	0	6	1	1
New Braintree,	1754	Dea. George K. Tufts,	Francis H Boynton *p*	'64	'95	15	34	49	17	5	1	6	1	2	0	3	1	1
Newbury,	1635	Dea. John C. Rolfe,	Charles S. Holton *p c.*	'92	'97	35	99	134	12	4	1	5	4	3	0	7	2	0
" Byfield,	1706	Joseph N. Dummer,	David C. Torrey, *p. c.*	'92	'92	40	74	114	33	2	3	5	3	2	0	5	0	0
Newburyport, North,	1768	Joseph B. Smith,	Elmer E. Shoemaker, *p.c.*	'94	'99	114	273	387	70	1	2	3	5	11	0	16	0	1
" Prospect st.,	1793	Charles R. Todd,	Myron O. Patton, *p. c.*	'94	'95	65	184	249	39	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	7
" Belleville,	1808	Charles A. Currier,	Daniel T. Fiske, *p c.em.*	'47	'47	104	241	345	42	7	5	12	7	6	0	13	6	5
" Whitefield,	1850	Arthur B. Reed,	Frank G. Alger, *p. c.*	'86	'98	67	168	235		7	6	13	5	5	0	10	3	1
New Marlboro, 1st,	1744	Rev. Aaron W Field,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.b*	'98	'98	13	20	33	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Southfield,	1794	Dea. Howard A Cook,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.*	'98	'98	17	31	48	8	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0
" Mill River,	1871	Dea. E. W. Rhoades,	John B. Lewis, *p.*	'95	'97	20	40	60	6	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	0
New Salem,	1845	W. H Bliss, Millington,	Albert V. House, *p.*	'94	'93	31	41	72	22	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0

a Eddyville. *b* Southfield. Miller's Falls, *see* Montague. Mill River, *see* New Marlboro. Mittineague, *see* West Springfield. Millville, *see* Blackstone.
Manomet, *see* Plymouth. Montvale, *see* Woburn. Moore's Corner, *see* Leverett. Nantasket, *see* Hingham. Neponset, *see* Boston. New Boston, *see* Sandisfield.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Medway, 3d, West	Nathan Davenport,	*	*	*	0	42	0	0	87	0	0	0	0	129	0	0
Melrose,	Don. E. Curtis,	669	308	500	148	350	58	28	279	265	40	12	429	1,461	0	22,500
" Highlands,	Dea. Wm. W. Mason,	579	246	275	155	154	18	28	107	54	21	32	185	599	0	8,543
Merrimac,	S. A. McConnell,	269	174	231	100	50	0	0	113	24	14	0	75	276	0	2,659
Methuen,	Rev. Charles H. Oliphant,	235	123	175	30	329	90	24	29	156	13	20	411	1,072	0	3,300
Middleboro,	Dea. Augustus H. Soule,	198	126	130	59	141	12	19	81	28	23	9	23	336	0	1,175
" North,	N. W. Keith,	110	51	100	38	114	12	12	108	34	10	0	153	443	0	1,565
" Central,	Alonzo F. Ryder,	353	167	325	95	297	10	36	198	60	19	34	246	900	0	3,911
Middlefield,	Wesley A. Olds,	80	40	50	55	20	0	0	10	10	11	0	5	56	0	900
Middleton,	H. Erskine Howe,	123	80	100	79	37	5	2	58	23	14	0	29	168	200	1,167
Milford,	W. B. Whiting,	292	157	300	109	230	0	33	121	66	59	34	1,960	2,503	0	4,500
Millbury,	Clarence A. Fenner,	101	56	99	40	184	28	28	49	40	6	0	51	386	0	1,500
" 2d,	George F. Chase,	150	87	132	44	317	89	26	93	80	18	0	55	678	0	1,700
Millis,	Dea. Evan F. Richardson,	m172	107	170	50	18	4	4	41	9	10	0	8	94	0	2,200
Milton,	H B. Tucker Mattapan,	191	71	115	46	186	28	0	34	35	15	0	60	358	0	1,550
" East,	Dea. Frank Kemp	92	60	112	28	4	0	0	5	0	8	0	68	85	0	1,642
Monson,	Alva M. Walker,	275	146	200	131	173	44	37	141	106	37	26	25	589	0	3,400
Montague,	William C. Cummings,	120	80	100	28	51	4	5	32	10	8	0	23	133	0	1,265
" Miller's F'ls,	Mrs. F. H. Giles,	115	90	135	50	5	0	8	3	3	5	0	30	54	0	1,142
" Turner's F'ls,	Thomas T. Reaveley,	172	133	100	60	98	9	14	38	19	17	8	0	203	0	1,900
Monterey,	Dea. M. V. Thompson,	100	60	80	46	37	0	0	16	0	5	0	18	76	0	839
Mt. Washington,	Rev. Walter B. Sweet,	43	29	12	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	133
Nantucket,	Mrs. Charlotte Huxford,	112	55	125	35	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	100	110	0	1,500
Natick,	Arthur W. Robinson,	586	309	350	76	314	68	35	482	35	35	10	329	1,308	0	11,263
" South,	Gustavus Smith,	60	36	42	27	10	0	2	10	0	0	0	13	35	0	939
Needham,	Benjamin W. Rideout,	130	90	100	70	71	0	6	18	0	5	0	0	100	840	1,570
New Bedford,	Daniel W. Kendrick,	95	44	100	0	12	0	0	10	9	0	0	15	46	0	1,500
" North,	Vinal F. Hatch,	495	261	300	90	1,144	54	35	1,213	23	55	457	3,668	6,649	5,000	6,900
" Trin.,	Clifton W. Bartlett,	313	175	300	33	177	0	0	459	20	19	0	549	1,224	0	6,012
New Braintree,	Dea. Horatio Moore,	50	30	52	33	41	0	0	21	12	10	0	116	200	0	778
Newbury,	Wi iam T. Humphreys,	206	119	225	56	549	24	14	142	52	14	0	100	895	0	2,097
" Byfield,	Joseph N. Dummer,	95	45	100	30	66	7	0	86	4	9	0	10,010	10,182	150	1,000
Newburyport, N.	Louis H Toppan,	185	115	260	46	175	64	24	190	33	18	0	436	940	0	3,560
" Prospect st.,	C. A. Bliss,	291	126	220	58	135	5	9	470	16	9	0	245	889	0	2,350
" Belleville,	George A. Dickey,	470	298	450	121	331	48	48	401	129	21	14	591	1,583	0	3,500
" Whitefield,	Samuel J. Hughs,	192	104	175	71	33	3	8	613	14	9	0	212	892	0	2,767
New Marlboro,	Miss Alice L. Field,	30	23	35	15	0	0	0	4	1	1	0	10	16	0	1,450
" Southfield,	A. W. Chapin,	58	36	30	30	28	4	5	7	8	5	0	8	65	3,635	477
" Mill River,	Miss C E. Knickerbocker,	75	42	90	37	31	0	0	17	0	8	0	57	113	0	645
New Salem,	E. L. Adams,	70	40	85	30	7	0	4	8	6	0	0	22	47	0	650

* Included in West Medway, 2d.

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Newton 1st, **Center,**	1664	Ralph F. Alvord,	Edward M. Noyes, *p. c.*	'83	'94	172	276	448		6	41	47	5	9	0	14	3	5
" 2d, **West,**	1781	Charles A. Wyman,	Henry J. Patrick, *p.c. em.* Theo. P. Prudden, *p. c.*	'54 '74	'60 '94	104	239	343	50	4	11	15	8	17	21	46	1	1
" **Eliot,**	1845	Louis C. Stanton,	William H. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'96	226	406	632	67	10	26	36	9	20	0	29	3	9
" **Auburndale,**	1850	Henry G. Hildreth,	Calvin Cutler, *p. c. em.* Chas. M. Southgate, *p. c.*	'62 '70	'67 '95	128	261	389	81	9	15	24	7	4	0	11	5	7
" North,	1866	Reuben Forknall,	Henry E. Oxnard, *p.*		'94	'00	41	65	106	39	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	11
" **Newtonville,**	1868	Dea. W. C. Boyden,	Ozora S. Davis, *p. c.*		'96	'00	99	240	339		2	11	13	3	11	0	14	1	3
" **Highlands,**	1872	William B. Wood,					72	166	238	53	0	4	4	3	2	0	5	0	6
Norfolk,	1795	Dea. Lyman E. Ware,	Edson J. Moore, *p.*		'61	'85	16	35	51	17	0	1	1	4	1	0	5	0	3
North Adams,	1827	Miss Anna B. Jackson,	William L. Tenney, *p. c.*		'88	'95	179	393	572	45	20	13	33	10	3	0	13	3	12
Northampton, 1st,	1661	William G. Bassett,	Henry T. Rose, *p. c.*		'70	'92	109	357	466	30	2	6	8	10	3	0	13	2	5
" Edwards,	1833	Isaac Bridgman,	Peter McMillan, *p. c.*		'81	'99	122	332	454	70	9	15	24	9	19	0	28	2	6
" **Florence,**	1860	Dea. Geo. C. Kellogg,	Elisha G. Cobb, *p. c.*		'60	'66	101	253	354	150	3	14	17	6	3	0	9	2	3
North Andover,	1834	Daniel W. Carney,	Henry E. Barnes, *p. c.*		'62	'93	96	177	273	60	0	0	0	1	13	2	16	0	6
North Attleboro, Oldtown,	1712	Miss Mary A. Mathias,	John Whitehill, *p.*		'61	'69	24	46	70	7	6	1	7	3	1	0	4	3	1
" **A. Falls,**	1874	Edwin L Evans,	Zenas Crowell, *p.*		'77	'00	22	61	83	8	3	2	5	3	1	0	4	0	0
" Trinity,	1892	Dea. D. S. Hall,	Henry C. McComas, *p. c.*		'00	'00	27	71	98	16	7	9	16	2	2	0	4	3	1
Northboro,	1832	Miss E. S. Yates,	Albert D. Smith, *p. c.*		'88	'96	30	76	106	23	1	3	4	1	3	0	4	1	1
Northbridge **Center,**	1782	Dea. Joshua W. Morse,	James H. Childs, *p.*		'75	'84	21	52	73	16	0	0	0	4	2	0	6	0	0
" **Whitinsville,**	1834	William J. Love,	John R. Thurston, *p. c.*		'59	'71	85	170	255	38	1	9	10	7	2	0	9	1	13
" Rockdale,	1879	Harry A. Robie,	Augustus P. Manwell, *p.*		'00	'00	16	36	52	12	4	1	5	1	2	0	3	4	0
North Brookfield, 1st,	1752	Arthur F. Thompson,	John L. Sewall, *p. c.*		'82	'96	105	244	349	66	6	7	13	7	6	1	14	5	10
" Union,	1854	Mrs. J. F. Stoddard, E.B.	Laird W. Snell, *p. c.*		'00	'00	25	69	94	28	1	1	2	5	5	0	10	1	0
Northfield, **East,**	1825	Miss Mary T. Dutton,	C. Ingerson Scofield, *p.*		'83	'96	135	294	429		43	13	56	1	32	0	33	0	0
North Reading,	1720	Dea. Isaac A. Flint,	John H. Hoffman, *p.*		'77	'01	29	65	94	16	1	6	7	0	0	12	12	1	0
Norton,	1832	Miss Lucy D. Fozer,	Charles A. Ratcliffe, *p.*		'91	'01	14	39	53	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norwood,	1736	Herbert M. Plimpton,					93	152	245	34	10	6	16	3	4	6	13	3	5
Oakham,	1767	Dea. Jesse Allen,	Allan A. Bronsdon, *p. c.*		'97	'97	32	81	113	26	4	0	4	0	2	0	2	3	1
Orange, **North,**	1843	Rev. John H. Garman,	Rolla G. Bugbee, *p.*		'76	'00	7	15	22	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Central,	1846	Frederic D. Kellogg,	Christopher W. Collier, *p.c.*		'94	'99	112	194	306	40	11	13	24	4	9	0	13	6	2
" *Swedish,*	1891		August L. Anderson, *p.*		'86	'01													
Orleans,	1646	Orville W. Crosby,	Everett I. Rackett, *p. c.*		'94	'93	28	98	126	30	0	4	4	5	0	9	14	0	0
Otis,	1779	Mrs. Mary J. Somes,	Charles S. Bates, *p.*		'00	'00	18	40	58	17	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Oxford,	1721	Mrs. Emily J. Pratt,	Charles M. Carpenter, *p.*		'90	'00	37	117	154	38	1	2	3	8	7	0	15	1	0
Palmer, **Thorndike,**	1730	Charles F. Smith,	James B. Sargent, *p. c.*		'97	'01	26	49	75	22	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
" 2d,	1847	Orrin P. Allen,	Fosdick P. Harrison, *p. c.*		'94	'99	85	175	260	31	4	4	8	6	4	0	10	2	6
" **Three Rivers,**	1876	Dea. Albert S. Geer,	Charles Olmstead, *p.*		'83	'98	103	113	216	65	10	7	17	0	6	1	7	3	3
Paxton,	1767	William Brown,	George W. Clark, *p.*		'00	'98	18	60	78	19	1	0	1	7	1	0	8	0	1
Peabody, South,	1713	Peter J. Frye,	George A. Hall, *p. c.*		'86	'86	79	210	289	62	2	5	7	7	4	0	11	0	6
" 2d, **South,**	1874	Miss Mary Tudbury,	Lewis J. Thomas, *p.*		'78	'97	21	63	84	9	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	0
" **West,**	1883	Dea. F. R. McIntyre,	Owen K. Hardy, *p.*		'94	'99	15	31	44	12	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0

Norwich, *see* Huntington. Oldtown, *see* N. Attleboro. Packardville, *see* Pelham. Pawtucket, *see* Lowell. Pigeon Cove, *see* Rockport. Rockdale, *see* Northbridge.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Mem-bers.	For-eign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Newton, 1st, Cen.	Frank M. Forbush,	280	203	282	145	2,090	159	237	1,567	283	209	81	914	5,540	10,081	7,638
" 2d, West,	Charles A. Sanders	267	189	250	40	1,598	96	113	1,922	761	80	96	2,364	7,030	0	5,870
" Eliot,	Charles A Haskell,	469	315	340	63	7,263	6,350	2,273	11,242	1,403	431	393	6,918	36,273	0	13,126
" Auburndale,	Frank F Davidson,	259	205	250	104	2,717	227	167	889	294	101	65	2,339	6,799	0	6,974
" North,	William E Lowry	123	85	75	75	0	0	0	9	0	5	0	17	31	0	1,400
" Newtonville,	Albert D Aurvansen,	270	196	225	114	409	31	30	225	124	29	60	409	1,317	0	11,249
" Highlands,	George H. Mellen,	181	141	183	84	497	15	23	507	62	7	0	67	1,178	0	5,177
Norfolk,	Dea. Edward W Mann,	92	39	65	31	31	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	81	0	525
North Adams,	Lyman R Allen,	m475	360	425	50	292	31	70	391	156	37	20	785	1,782	200	6,050
Northampton, 1st	R. F. Armstrong,	240	126	300	90	615	179	93	1,165	785	0	0	865	3,702	0	8,256
" Edwards,	Charles H. Tucker,	407	285	400	125	586	25	56	1,224	290	47	0	58	2,286	0	5,950
" Florence	George H. Bliss,	198	151	200	100	106	68	13	54	21	13	8	281	564	0	2,220
North Andover,	William M. McQueston,	282	139	146	100	90	330	75	410	31	15	0	168	1,119	0	4,441
North Attleboro,	Rev. John Whitehill,	118	71	96	41	33	2	1	6	6	3	0	3	54	0	1,439
" A. Falls,	Mrs. F. Gurney,	160	90	120	83	37	5	6	18	13	8	3	11	101	0	1,231
" Trinity,	Rev. H. C. McComas,	104	54	95	42	80	0	0	16	37	5	0	6	144	0	1,206
Northboro,	Dea. Francis M. Harrington,	121	59	89	24	100	16	20	60	54	18	6	52	326	0	1,276
Northbridge C.,	Rev. James H. Childs,	79	50	90	37	101	17	10	68	12	25	0	21	254	0	700
" Whitinsville,	Arthur F. Whitin,	345	209	311	132	4,968	2,594	663	2,601	2,018	791	408	1,421	15,464	0	4,622
" Rockdale,	Dea. Benjamin W. Brown,	91	50	60	25	53	3	0	41	10	0	0	0	107	0	789
North Brookfield,	George W. Gerry,	314	188	246	114	283	45	53	323	95	41	16	273	1,129	375	2,992
" Union,	Dea. F. A. Smith,	119	64	100	38	0	40	0	12	0	0	0	0	52	0	1,291
Northfield,	Ambert G. Moody,	492	270		91	50	0	29	106	0	0	0	332	517	0	3,896
North Reading,	Arthur F Upton,	125	80	100	25	9	0	0	0	0	10	0	13	32	0	800
Norton,	Arthur E. Sweet,	50	28	55	31	379	0	0	274	183	0	0	83	919	300	1,456
Norwood,	H. Eugene Rice,	237	160	300	54	286	15	18	392	157	55	6	313	1,242	0	4,124
Oakham,	Dea. H. W Lincoln,	100	70	125	28	50	0	5	69	45	18	0	20	207	0	725
Orange, North,	Henry N. Frye,	30	23	24	8	9	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	8	0	240
" Central,	Langdon H. Boutelle,	343	191	300	100	362	26	10	126	90	27	0	54	695	0	2,945
" *Swedish*,					27											
Orleans,	Dea. F. E. Snow, E.Orleans.	108	70	132	32	51	4	4	17	10	11	0	23	120	0	1,227
Otis,	M. A. Hugins,	70	35	108	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	225
Oxford,	Dea. D. Milton Howe,	160	78	140	27	149	5	5	38	30	5	5	107	344	0	1,700
Palmer, Thorn'e,	Joseph F Davis,	50	38	40	20	22	9	0	8	0	0	0	0	39	0	954
" 2d,	D. L. Bodfish,	285	169	230	77	254	25	25	152	374	82	15	197	1,124	0	2,500
" Three Rivers,	F. A. Upham,	257	154	100	104	110	14	0	173	25	0	0	136	458	0	2,398
Paxton,	Clifton Parkhurst,	30	20	60	0	12	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	29	2,100	650
Peabody, South,	Harry P. Hutchinson,	331	175	210	112	555	169	0	493	90	59	0	185	1,551	0	6,772
" 2d,	William T. Wolloff,	110	65	100	0	8	0	5	7	8	0	0	16	44	0	1,125
" West,	Arthur W. Felt,	80	42	100	48	7	0	6	9	6	6	0	26	60	0	622

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Pelham,	1837	Mrs. Lucy E. Tillson,	[Andrew Magill,]		'00	4	8	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Packardville,	**Enfield,** '69	D. O. Chickering,	[Andrew Magill,]		'00	10	17	27	6	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	3	0
Pepperell,	1747	Rolan H. Blood,	J. Brainerd Thrall, *p.*	'78	'97	83	179	262	51	7	5	12	9	2	0	11	6	2
Peru,	1770	Dea. Jewett H. Geer,	Albert H. Plumb, Jr., *p.*	'99	'98	13	30	43	13	2	1	3	1	5	3	9	2	0
Petersham,	1823	Dea. Chas. K. Wilder,	Preston R. Crowell, *p.*	'90	'00	6	27	33	0	3	5	8	1	0	0	1	1	1
Phillipston,	1725	Mrs. Lyman B. Smith,	Irving A. Burnap, *p.*	'92	'01	19	32	51	21	2	0	2	4	2	0	6	2	2
Pittsfield, 1st,	1764	Henry A. Brewster,	Wm. V. W. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'93	164	380	544	63	7	11	18	9	6	0	15	3	11
" 2d,	1846	Miss E. L. Hamilton,				9	17	26	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
" South,	1850	Frank E. Pierson,	I. Chipman Smart, *p. c.*	'85	'85	195	306	501	25	34	7	41	3	11	0	14	5	14
" Pilgrim Mem.,	1897	Levi D. Case,	Raymond Calkins, *p. c.*	'96	'96	58	87	145	9	7	7	14	1	9	1	11	1	9
Plainfield,	1788	Dea. S. W. Clark,	Alonzo T. Lamb, *p.*	'93	'99	31	53	84	22	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	2	0
Plymouth,	**Manomet,** 1738	Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,	Haig Adadourian, *p.*	'97	'97	20	34	54	9	1	2	3	1	3	0	4	1	0
" Pilgrimage,	1801	Charles F. Cole,	D. Melancthon James, *p.*	'87	'99	99	273	372	0	17	10	27	6	7	0	13	1	7
"	**Chiltonville,** 1894	Miss L. B. Nickerson,	Frederick B. Noyes, *p.a*	'90	'97	9	21	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plympton,	1698	Miss B. W. Sherman,	Fenton E. Frazee, *p.*	'97	'00	16	51	67	23	0	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	0
Prescott,	1823	Miss Delia P. Allen,	William S. Anderson, *p.*	'97	'00	9	13	22	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Princeton,	1764	Miss Susie A. Davis,	Charles A. White, *p.*	'73	'88	54	126	180	50	0	3	3	2	4	2	8	0	0
Provincetown,	1714	Mrs. Mary N. Lewis,	Sidney Crawford, *p.*	'70	'00	10	36	46	9	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quincy, Bethany,	1832	Ernest D. Gourd,	Edwin N. Hardy, *p. c.*	'90	'95	129	234	363	40	6	11	17	8	19	0	27	2	4
"	**Wollaston,** 1876	Alfred W. Thompson,	Edward A. Chase, *p. c.*	'84	'99	48	97	145	16	2	14	16	0	5	0	5	1	9
" Wash. st.,	**Point,** 1883	Thos. B. Pollard, **Q.**				11	39	50	6	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	1
"	**Atlantic,** 1885	Wm. F. Cummings,	John H. Whitaker, *p.*	'93	'97	22	54	76	8	5	4	9	1	0	0	1	3	5
"	*Swedish,* 1889	Charles N. Samuelson,	Carl A. Bjornborn, *p.*	'92	'95	52	91	143	5	17	3	20	2	10	2	14	0	20
" Park and Downs,	1897	N. Stuart Sanford,	Henry G. Megathlin, *p.*	'96	'00	12	17	29	4	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
Randolph,	1731	W. H. Leavitt,	Charles A. Hilton, *p. c.*	'71	'93	45	121	166	36	2	4	6	5	8	0	13	2	0
Raynham,	1731	Edward B. King,	Avery K. Gleason, *p.*	'86	'00	15	33	48	0	1	4	5	1	5	0	6	0	0
"	**North,** 1875	Mrs. H. D. Lothrop,	Avery K. Gleason, *p.*	'86	'00	5	22	27	5	2	0	2	1	3	0	4	2	0
Reading,	1770	Frank W. B. Pratt,	Frank S. Hunnewell, *p. c.*	'88	'98	125	335	460	72	13	17	30	8	10	7	25	1	1
Rehoboth,	1721	Miss Elizab'th B. Pierce,	Charles B. Wathen, *p.*	'83	'96	44	80	124	34	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	6	0
Revere, 1st,	1828	George A. Dalrymple,	Walter S. Eaton, *p. c.*	'91	'92	68	111	179	54	2	8	10	3	1	0	4	0	2
"	**Beachmont,** 1881	A. B. Palmer,	William J. Murray, *p.*	'79	'99	20	46	66		0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	6
Richmond,	1765	A. Granville Sharp,	T. Clare Luce, *p. c.*	'85	'91	39	70	109	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Rochester, 1st,	1703	Dea. John N. Ryder,	Truman D. Childs, *p.*	'73	'00	14	39	53	15	0	0	0					3	0
" North,	1753	Dea. Geo. H. Randall,	Caleb L. Rotch, *p.*	'79	'99	2	16	28	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" E., W. Wareham,	1887	George P. Morse,	[Edward J. Ruliffson, *Lic.*]		'99	29	44	73	16	0	0	0		4	0	5	0	0
Rockland,	1813		Fred H. Allen, *p.*	'74	'94	97	94	291	46	8	4	12	2	8	0	10	6	0
Rockport, 1st,	1755	Dea. Calvin C. Poole,	Israel Ainsworth, *p. c.*	'80	'91	45	158	203	26		4	5	2	2	0	4		
" Pigeon Cove,	1874	Mrs. Charles T. Hale,	Arthur H. Pingree, *p.*	'98	'98	12	39	5	5	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0
" *Swedish,* "	1892	John M. Landergren,	Andrew J. Isakson, *p.*	'91	'0		19	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	
Rowley,	1639	Benjamin P. Mighill,	David Fraser, *p. c.*	'95	'98	41	114	155	26	2	2	4	5		7	3		
Royalston,	1766	Dea. Frank W. Adams,	Francis J. Fairbanks, *p. c.*	'64	'93	32	69	101	27		0	1	1	2	0	3		
" South,	1837	Mrs. Ella C. Bodett,	James A. Bates, *p.*	'60	'98	18	42	60	24	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	2	1

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Pelham,	Andrew Magill,	18	15	17	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	80
" Packardville,	John W. Knight, Pelham,	50	34	26	9	10	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	15	0	100
Pepperell,	Lyman C. Blood,	m225	111	185	77	141	53	12	203	127	13	0	183	732	0	2,606
Peru,	Ward N. Stearns,	40	26	34	32	20	0	0	4	0	0	0	7	31	800	450
Petersham,	Augustus Skinner,	40	25	23	20	13	0	12	44	32	0	0	0	101	0	5,642
Phillipston,	Lyman B. Smith,	55	23	33	26	3	0	1	23	2	3	0	0	32	0	457
Pittsfield, 1st,	Rev. Cornelius C. Cook,	356	212	475	78	1,130	79	102	1,400	220	50	37	2,588	5,606	0	8,505
" 2d,		30	18	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	241
" South,	Edward Tolman,	320	200	200	135	65	10	16	55	12	15	12	170	355	1,000	4,000
" Pilgrim M.,	Rev. Raymond Calkins,	m210	128	125	40	36	2	0	20	3	2	2	45	110	0	1,550
Plainfield,	Dea. J. A. Winslow,	84	41	70	27	30	0	0	12	8	4	0	16	70	0	520
Plymouth, Man.,	Dea. Gideon H. Clark,	80	40	85	60	39	1	3	5	8	2	0	26	84	0	700
" Pilgrimage,	Rev. D. M. James,	397	267	430	92	129	6	2	463	30	3	3	278	914	0	3,995
" Chiltonville,	Eugene Finney, Plymouth,	46	32	53	17	32	11	10	51	11	15	6	33	169	0	1,568
Plympton,	Albert H. Dennett,	75	33	125	35	60	3	3	24	5	6	2	2	105	0	725
Prescott,	W. F. Wendermuth,	20	15	25	0	0	6	0	6	0	1	0	0	13	0	292
Princeton,	W.M.Roper, jr., E.Hubbardston	m100	50	140	30	318	75	6	109	82	8	0	18	616	0	2,345
Provincetown,	Dea. James E. Rice,	52	31	50	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	9	15	1,000	1,306
Quincy, Beth.,	E W. Branch,	282	150	200	84	282	52	39	377	58	86	0	1,210	2,104	0	5,041
" Wollaston,	Charles A. Campbell,	205	120	150	35	418	0	0	653	78	0	33	164	1,346	0	3,107
" Wash'gton st.,	Charles H. Sherburne,	120	78	150	27	2	0	7	8	25	0	0	2	44	0	1,235
" Atlantic,	Rev. John H. Whitaker,	190	113	150	25	10	0	0	20	0	0	0	35	65	0	1,200
" *Swedish*,	Charles Leander,	140	120			240	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	440	0	1,681
" Pk. & Downs,	Levi H. Milberry,	109	90	117	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	471	495
Randolph,	M. Wales Baker,	138	82	100	40	314	35	38	200	200	39	0	149	975	0	3,000
Raynham,	Wilfred Leonard,	70	40	70	16	18	12	10	15	13	16	0	32	116	700	600
" North,	Dea. William Palmer,	25	16	71	0	2	2	2	3	2	3	0	0	14	0	310
Reading,	Henry C. Parker,	491	247	460	164	316	100	84	129	124	67	41	1,387	2,248	1,000	4,600
Rehoboth,	Henry T. Horton,	146	60	100	30	36	4	8	15	7	9	0	25	104	1,500	1,100
Revere, 1st,	F. Irving Weston,	180	100	215	110	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	2,500
" Beachmont,	Edward Anderson,	165	107	125	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,800
Richmond,	A. G. Kiltz,	116	65	68	62	121	0	0	29	0	11	0	20	181	0	1,700
Rochester, 1st,	Dea. George B. Haskell,	45	29	75	30	78	0	5	42	4	10	0	10	149	0	850
" North,	Edward E. Reynolds,	40	26	30	26	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	3	11	0	500
" East,	Mrs. I. F. Barrows,	80	34	55	55	13	0	0	12	0	0	0	31	56	0	600
Rockland,	Dea. L. D. Perkins,	235	175	290	92	55	8	6	54	40	7	10	166	346	0	4,034
Rockport, 1st,	Dea. Henry C. Davis,	207	115	205	86	82	7	12	131	8	23	6	150	419	0	2,523
" Pig. Cove,	Thomas Whigham,	120	80	100	45	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	10	15	0	600
" *Swedish*,	Peter Johnson,	54	34	80	0	5	0	7	4	0	0	0	10	26	0	379
Rowley,	Willard P. Smith,	130	66	124	49	51	0	22	41	15	73	5	78	285	0	1,703
Royalston,	Frank W Adams, M. D.	114	74	95	33	153	0	2	73	37	0	0	0	265	0	1,167
" South,	Alfred Richmond,	68	26	82	20	27	0	0	0	13	0	0	7	47	0	498

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Pelham,	1837	Mrs. Lucy E. Tillson,	[Andrew Magill,]		'00	4	8	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Packardville, **Enfield,**	'69	D. O. Chickering,	[Andrew Magill,]		'00	10	17	27	6	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	3	0
Pepperell,	1747	Rolan H. Blood,	J. Brainerd Thrall, *p.*	'78	'97	83	179	262	51	7	5	12	9	2	0	11	6	2
Peru,	1770	Dea. Jewett H. Geer,	Albert H. Plumb, Jr., *p.*	'99	'98	13	30	43	13	2	1	3	1	5	3	9	2	0
Petersham,	1823	Dea. Chas. K. Wilder,	Preston R. Crowell, *p.*	'90	'00	6	27	33	0	3	5	8	1	0	0	1	1	1
Phillipston,	1725	Mrs. Lyman B. Smith,	Irving A. Burnap, *p.*	'92	'01	19	32	51	21	2	0	2	4	2	0	6	2	2
Pittsfield, 1st,	1764	Henry A. Brewster,	Wm. V. W. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'93	164	380	544	63	7	11	18	9	6	0	15	3	11
" 2d,	1846	Miss E L. Hamilton,				9	17	26	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
" South,	1850	Frank E. Pierson,	I. Chipman **Smart,** *p. c.*	'85	'85	195	306	501	25	34	7	41	3	11	0	14	5	14
" Pilgrim Mem.,	1897	Levi D. Case,	Raymond Calkins *p. c.*	'96	'96	58	87	145	9	7	7	14	1	9	1	11	1	9
Plainfield,	1788	Dea. S. W. Clark,	Alonzo T. Lamb, *p.*	'93	'99	31	53	84	22	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	2	0
Plymouth, **Manomet,**	1738	Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,	Haig Adadourian, *p.*	'97	'97	20	34	54	9	1	2	3	1	3	0	4	1	0
" Pilgrimage,	1801	Charles F. Cole,	D. Melancthon James, *p.*	'87	'99	99	273	372	0	17	10	27	6	7	0	13	1	7
" **Chiltonville,**	1894	Miss L. B. Nickerson,	Frederick B. Noyes, *p.a*	'90	'97	9	21	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plympton,	1698	Miss B. W. Sherman,	Fenton E. Frazee, *p.*	'97	'00	16	51	67	23	0	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	0
Prescott,	1823	Miss Delia P. Allen,	William S. Anderson, *p.*	'97	'00	9	13	22	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
Princeton,	1764	Miss Susie A. Davis,	Charles A. White, *p.*	'73	'88	54	126	180	50	0	3	3	2	4	2	8	0	0
Provincetown,	1714	Mrs. Mary N. Lewis,	Sidney Crawford, *p.*	'70	'00	10	36	46	9	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quincy, Bethany,	1832	Ernest D. Gourd,	Edwin N. Hardy, *p. c.*	'90	'95	129	234	363	40	6	11	17	8	19	0	27	2	4
" **Wollaston,**	1876	Alfred W. Thompson,	Edward A. Chase, *p. c.*	'84	'99	48	97	145	16	2	14	16	0	5	0	5	1	9
" Wash. st., **Point,**	1883	Thos. B. Pollard, Q.				11	39	50	6	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	1
" **Atlantic,**	1885	Wm F Cummings,	John H. Whitaker, *p.*	'93	'97	22	54	76	8	5	4	9	1	0	0	1	3	5
" *Swedish,*	1889	Charles N. Samuelson,	Car A. Bjornborn, *p.*	'92	'95	52	91	143	5	17	3	20	2	10	2	14	0	20
" Park and Downs,	1897	N Stuart Sanford,	Henry G. Megathlin *p.*	'96	'00	12	17	29	4	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
Randolph,	1731	W H. Leavitt,	Charles A. Hilton, *p. c.*	'71	'93	45	121	166	36	2	4	6	5	8	0	13	2	0
Raynham,	1731	Edward B. King,	Avery K. Gleason, *p.*	'86	'00	15	33	48	0	1	4	5	1	5	0	6	0	0
" North,	1875	Mrs. H. D. Lothrop,	Avery K. Gleason, *p.*	'86	'00	5	22	27	5	2	0	2	1	3	0	4	2	0
Reading,	1770	Frank W. B. Pratt,	Frank S. Hunnewell, *p. c.*	'88	'98	125	335	460	72	13	17	30	8	10	7	25	1	1
Rehoboth,	1721	Miss Elizab'th B. Pierce,	Charles B. Wathen, *p.*	'83	'96	44	80	124	34	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	0	0
Revere, 1st,	1828	George A. Dalrymple,	Walter S. Eaton *p. c.*	'91	'92	68	111	179	54	2	8	10	3	1	0	4	0	2
" **Beachmont,**	1881	A. B. Palmer,	William J. Murray, *p.*	'79	'99	20	46	66		0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	6
Richmond,	1765	A. Granville Sharp,	T. Clare Luce, *p. c.*	'85	'91	39	70	109	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Rochester, 1st,	1703	Dea. John N. Ryder,	Truman D. Childs, *p.*	'73	'00	14	39	53	15	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	0
" North,	1753	Dea. Geo. H. Randall,	Caleb L. Rotch, *p.*	'79	'99	12	16	28	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" E., **W. Wareham,**	1887	George P. Morse,	[Edward J. Ruliffson, *Lic.*]		'99	29	44	73	16	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	0
Rockland,	1813		Fred H. Allen, *p.*	'74	'94	97	194	291	46	8	4	12	2	8	0	10	6	1
Rockport, 1st,	1755	Dea. Calvin C. Poole,	Israel Ainsworth, *p. c.*	'80	'91	45	158	203	26	1	4	5	2	2	0	4	1	3
" **Pigeon Cove,**	1874	Mrs. Charles T. Hale,	Arthur H. Pingree, *p.*	'98	'98	12	39	51	5	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0
" *Swedish,* "	1892	John M. Landergren,	Andrew J. Isakson, *p.*	'91	'01	14	19	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	4
Rowley,	1639	Benjamin P. Mighill,	David Fraser, *p. c.*	'95	'98	41	114	155	26	2	2	4	5	1	7	13	1	0
Royalston,	1766	Dea. Frank W. Adams,	Francis J. Fairbanks, *p. c.*	'64	'93	32	69	101	27	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	1	0
" South,	1837	Mrs. Ella C. Bodett,	James A. Bates, *p.*	'00	'98	18	42	60	24	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	2	1

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CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.			Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Pelham,	Andrew Magill,	18	15	17	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	80
" Packardville,	John W. Knight, **Pelham,**	50	34	26	9	10	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	15	0	100
Pepperell,	Lyman C. Blood,	m225	111	185	77	141	53	12	203	127	13	0	183	732	0	2,605
Peru,	Ward N. Stearns,	40	26	34	32	20	0	0	4	0	0	0	7	31	800	450
Petersham,	Augustus Skinner,	40	25	23	20	13	0	12	44	32	0	0	0	101	0	5,642
Phillipston,	Lyman B. Smith,	55	23	33	26	3	0	1	23	2	3	0	0	32	0	457
Pittsfield, 1st,	Rev. Cornelius C. Cook,	356	212	475	78	1,130	79	102	1,400	220	50	37	2,588	5,606	0	8,505
" 2d,		30	18	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	241
" South,	Edward Tolman,	320	200	200	135	65	10	16	55	12	15	12	170	355	1,000	4,000
" Pilgrim M.,	Rev. Raymond Calkins,	m210	128	125	40	36	2	0	20	3	2	2	45	110	0	1,550
Plainfield,	Dea. J. A. Winslow,	84	41	70	27	30	0	0	12	8	4	0	16	70	0	520
Plymouth, Man.,	Dea. Gideon H. Clark,	80	40	85	60	39	1	3	5	8	2	0	26	84	0	700
" Pilgrimage,	Rev. D. M. James,	307	267	430	92	129	6	2	463	30	3	3	278	914	0	3,995
" Chiltonville,	Eugene Finney, **Plymouth,**	46	32	53	17	32	11	10	51	11	15	6	33	169	0	1,568
Plympton,	Albert H. Dennett,	75	33	125	35	60	3	3	24	5	6	2	2	105	0	725
Prescott,	W. F. Wendermuth,	20	15	25	0	0	6	0	6	0	1	0	0	13	0	292
Princeton,	W.M.Roper, jr., E.Hubbardston	m100	50	140	30	318	75	6	109	82	8	0	18	616	0	2,345
Provincetown,	Dea. James E. Rice,	52	31	50	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	9	15	1,000	1,306
Quincy, Beth.,	E W. Branch,	282	150	200	84	282	52	39	377	58	86	0	1,210	2,104	0	5,041
" Wollaston,	Charles A. Campbell,	205	120	150	35	418	0	0	653	78	0	33	164	1,346	0	3,107
" Wash'gton st.,	Charles H. Sherburne,	120	78	150	27	2	0	7	8	25	0	0	2	44	0	1,235
" Atlantic,	Rev. John H. Whitaker,	190	113	150	25	10	0	0	20	0	0	0	35	65	0	1,200
" *Swedish*,	Charles Leander	140	120			240	0	0	6	0	0	0	200	440	0	1,681
" Pk. & Downs,	Levi H. Milberry	109	90	117	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	471	495
Randolph,	M Wales Baker,	138	82	100	40	314	35	38	200	200	39	0	149	975	0	3,000
Raynham,	Wilfred Leonard,	70	40	70	16	18	12	10	15	13	16	0	32	116	700	600
" North,	Dea Willi m Palmer,	25	16	71	0	2	2	2	3	2	3	0	0	14	0	310
Reading,	Henry C. Parker,	491	247	460	164	316	100	84	129	124	67	41	1,387	2,248	1,000	4,600
Rehoboth,	Henry T. Horton,	146	60	100	30	36	4	8	15	7	9	0	25	104	1,500	1,100
Revere, 1st,	F. Irving Weston,	180	100	215	110	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	2,500
" Beachmont,	Edward Anderson,	165	107	125	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,800
Richmond,	A. G Kiltz,	116	65	68	62	121	0	0	29	0	11	0	20	181	0	1,700
Rochester, 1st,	Dea. George B. Haskell,	45	29	75	30	78	0	5	42	4	10	0	10	149	0	850
" North,	Edward E. Reynolds,	40	26	30	26	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	3	11	0	500
" East,	Mrs. I. F. Barrows,	80	34	55	55	13	0	0	12	0	0	0	31	56	0	600
Rockland,	Dea. L. D. Perkins,	235	175	290	92	55	8	6	54	40	7	10	166	346	0	4,034
Rockport, 1st,	Dea. Henry C. Davis,	207	115	205	86	82	7	12	131	8	23	6	150	419	0	2,523
" Pig. Cove,	Thomas Whigham,	120	80	100	45	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	10	15	0	600
" *Swedish*,	Peter Johnson,	54	34	80	0	5	0	7	4	0	0	0	10	26	0	379
Rowley,	Willard P. Smith.	130	66	124	49	51	0	22	41	15	73	5	78	285	0	1,703
Royalston,	**Frank W Adams, M. D.**	114	74	95	33	153	0	2	73	37	0	0	0	265	0	1,167
" South,	**Alfred Richmond,**	68	26	82	20	27	0	0	0	13	0	0	7	47	0	498

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Rutland,	1727	Dea. Wm. C. Temple,	George B. Frost, *p.*	'83	'00	77	99	176	49	6	4	10	2	4	0	6	0	0
Salem, Tabernacle,	1735	Dea. E. L. Woodbury,	DeWitt S. Clark, *p. c.*	'68	'79	84	209	383	49	9	4	13	5	4	0	9	7	1
" South,	1735	Charles H. Hayward,	James F. Brodie, *p. c.*	'82	'89	59	187	246		2	4	6	4	0	0	4	1	2
" Crombie st.	1832	Dea. Henry J. Pratt,	John W. Buckham, *p. c.*	'88	'90	48	157	205	33	3	2	5	6	0	0	6	2	1
Sandisfield,	1756	Mrs. Sarah J. Hawley				10	32	42	19	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" New Boston,	1874	Mrs. C. H. Callender,				11	31	42	15	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
Sandwich,	1638	Dea. P. R. Bourne,	Fred K. Ellsworth, *p.*	'98	'99	37	87	124	49	3	3	6	3	1	0	4	3	0
Saugus,	1732	Dea. John E. Stocker,	John C. Labaree, *p.*	'63	'93	12	47	59	18	2	2	4	3	5	0	8	2	3
" Cliftondale,	1888	Mrs. A. B. Smith,	W. Sherman Thompson, *p. c.*	'91	'96	34	100	134	21	7	10	17	2	1	0	3	5	6
Scituate, Center,	1639	Miss Mary F. Perry,	Albert Bryant, *p. c.* Egypt,	'65	'99	22	58	80	5	3	1	4	2	3	0	5	3	0
Seekonk,	1888	Mrs. James Knapp,	Hiram E. Johnson, *p.a*	'59	'98	15	16	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sharon,	1741	Dea. S. W. Billings,	Almon J. Dyer, *p. c.*	'86	'97	35	93	128	17	0	8	8	3	4	0	7	0	0
Sheffield,	1735	Dea. D. Boardman,	Evarts W. Pond, *p. c.*	'95	'96	38	94	132	19	4	5	9	2	3	0	5	2	1
Shelburne,	1770	Dea. L. G. Alvord,	Joseph A. Goodrich, *p.*	'96	'96	62	115	177	21	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	1	3
" Falls,	1850	B. H. Newell,	William A. Bacon, *p. c.*	'95	'99	51	145	196	27	5	3	8	1	2	0	3	4	3
Sherborn,	1685	Mrs. D. P. D. Coolidge,	Edmund Dowse, *p. c.*	'38	'38	27	73	100	33	1	0	1	3	3	2	8	1	6
Shirley,	1828	Rev. Joseph Torrey,	Joseph Torrey, *p.*	'60	'93	21	61	82	13	2	2	4	0	4	17	21	2	2
Shrewsbury,	1723	Charles O. Green,	Arthur H. Sedgwick, *p.*	'90	'00	23	78	101		0	2	2	4	1	0	5	0	0
Shutesbury,	1742	Dea. Nath'l A. Briggs,	[Jason V. Pierce,]		'00	18	37	55	19	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Somerset,	1861	Rev. Jas. A. Anderson,	James A. Anderson, *p.*	'89	'99	11	32	43	21	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Somerville, 1st,	1855	G. A. Southworth,				97	227	324	60	6	14	20	5	10	0	15	4	3
" Broadway,	1864	Willard C. Hill,	Horace H. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'94	143	252	395	104	5	3	8	5	6	1	12	1	4
" West,	1874	Guy F. Raynes,	Eddy T. Pitts, *p. c.*	'82	'00	109	213	322		2	7	9	2	6	3	11	1	2
" Prospect Hill,	1874	John L. Ambrose,	Edward S. Tead, *p. c.*	'78	'84	126	230	356		1	5	6	4	6	1	11	1	7
" Winter Hill,	1883	Edwin A. Stone,	Charles L. Noyes, *p. c.*	'81	'83	78	151	229	10	3	3	6	2	7	1	10	2	8
" Highland,	1894	Frank L. Pearson,	George S. Anderson, *p.*	'91	'94	52	111	163	10	13	12	25	2	5	0	7	6	6
Southampton,	1743	Henry L. Parsons,	John Cowan, *p.*	'75	'97	46	97	143	21	0	4	4	3	2	10	15	0	1
Southboro,	1831	H. A. McMaster,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'93	21	61	82	28	2	2	4	3	1	0	4	2	0
" Southville,	1865	Mrs. J. F. Chickering,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'95	16	29	45	11	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	4	0
Southbridge,	1801	Rev. W. A. Hadley,	Willis A. Hadley, *p. c.*	'78	'97	88	151	239	50	25	19	44	5	3	0	8	12	9
South Hadley,	1733	Dea. Calvin Preston,	Arthur B. Patten, *p. c.*	'94	'97	78	219	297	63	15	2	17	5	7	0	12	15	1
" Falls,	1824	Dea. Arthur N. Chapin,	G. Walter Fiske, *p. c.*	'98	'00	81	183	264	62	24	3	27	6	11	0	17	15	1
Southwick,	1773	Edward M. Gillett,	Lyndon S. Crawford, *p.*	'79	'00	28	52	80	12	0	4	4	3	0	0	3	0	1
Spencer,	1744	Dea. Geo. H. Marsh,				126	273	399	46	22	9	31	7	13	2	22	11	7
Springfield, 1st,	1637	A. L. Janes,	Frank L. Goodspeed, *p. c.*	'87	'94	336	767	1103	186	44	27	71	13	23	0	36	20	7
" Olivet,	1833	Dea. J. B. Roberts,	Edwin H. Hadlock, *p. c.*	'93	'99	80	227	307	42	0	11	11	5	3	0	8	0	7
" South,	1842	William A. Lincoln,	Philip S. Moxom, *p. c.*	'71	'94	145	339	484	103	9	16	25	12	5	1	18	4	1
" North,	1846	Ralph P. Alden,	Newton M. Hall, *p. c.*	'91	'99	138	301	439	50	9	17	26	9	13	4	26	3	3
" Ind. Orchard,	1848					62	99	161		2	2	4	5	2	0	7	1	10
" Hope,	1876	George H. Munroe,	Samuel H. Woodrow, *p. c.*	'88	'98	239	439	678		18	42	60	8	18	17	43	6	8
" *French*,	1886	Gustof Michaud,	Thomas S. St. Aubin, *p. c.*	'93	'97	18	19	37	3	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	2
" Eastern av.,	1888	Frederick B. Miller,				50	73	123	51	0	9	9	0	17	14	31	0	0
" Emmanuel,	1888	George Hazell,	David L. Kebbe, *p. c.*	'91	'95	18	59	77	9	3	6	9	1	5	2	8	1	5
" Park,	1889	John G. Woods,	Allen E. Cross, *p. c.*	'92	'95	64	110	174	15	5	13	18	3	7	0	10	3	2

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CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.			Y.P.S.		BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Rutland,	E. W. Ward,	175	88	120	56	45	0	0	35	0	0	0	15	95	0	1,200
Salem, Tab'cle,	William A. Kirkpatrick,	499	296	308	108	517	281	6	910	87	27	7	464	2,299	0	5,800
" South,	William A. Mann,	288	190	242	58	487	20	23	312	137	20	0	1,558	2,557	0	
" Crombie st.	Arthur F. Smith,	m198	130	160	56	188	10	0	104	124	30	0	448	904	0	3,000
Sandisfield,	Newton T. Hartshorn,	21	15	35	9	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	13	18	0	210
" New Boston,	John A. Northway,	14	12	65	0	0	0	10	0	0	4	0	0	14	0	267
Sandwich,	E. S. Talbot,	75	46	70	35	46	0	0	9	0	6	0	31	92	0	1,047
Saugus,	Dea. John E. Stocker	154	78	85	34	90	0	0	84	23	0	0	69	266	0	1,051
" Clift'd'e,	Roland B. Watson,	324	138	180	90	79	0	7	64	9	12	0	4	175	0	2,080
Scituate,	Rev. Albert Bryant, Egypt,	74	40	100	0	14	2	2	14	2	2	2	0	38	50	976
Seekonk,	David S. Peck,	65	40	30	32	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	5	0	210
Sharon,	Dea. Sanford W. Billings,	156	87	105	50	105	0	14	173	29	11	21	143	496	0	1,350
Sheffield,	Dea. R. F. Little,	m103	58	120	40	61	29	10	128	20	0	0	24	272	0	2,600
Shelburne,	Austin L. Peck,	158	102	85	55	153	107	50	90	62	21	7	65	555	0	1,535
" Falls,	C. A. Holbrook,	146	98	160	72	55	11	12	32	25	6	5	28	174	0	4,560
Sherborn,	E. C. Barber,	116	70	100	30	20	5	0	65	15	3	0	50	158	0	945
Shirley,	George W. Balch,	81	48	62	60	46	2	5	44	10	12	0	30	149	0	900
Shrewsbury,	Herbert Christopher,	140	62	125	70	95	0	0	31	13	0	6	116	261	0	2,200
Shutesbury,	Dea. N. A. Briggs,	30	16	35	13	22	0	0	28	0	0	0	25	75	0	300
Somerset,	Frank A. Morrill,	60	40	40	30	25	0	5	10	0	0	0	5	45	0	778
Somerville, 1st,	G. A. Southworth,	500	231	300	38	323	11	5	26	20	8	0	731	1,124	0	5,449
" Broadway,	George W. Loggie,	460	232	300	120	367	18	10	294	13	62	9	999	1,772	0	5,678
" West,	Lester C. Evans,	225	132		49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	493	493	0	3,046
" Prospect Hill,	William H. Burroughs,	395	248		88	192	40	0	324	95	22	0	350	1,023	0	7,506
" Winter Hill,	Samuel B. Darling,	264	158	100	60	247	70	10	70	130	51	10	425	1,013	0	6,000
" Highland,	William H. Marshall,	331	173	250	46	73	0	0	30	70	0	0	166	339	0	4,023
Southampton,	E. K. Parsons,	153	78	80	37	159	8	8	62	42	15	9	52	355	0	1,400
Southboro,	Henry A. McMaster,	70	38	75	0	40	15	0	97	0	0	0	0	152	0	1,182
" Southville,	Frank A. Pearl,	34	17	33	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	7	0	220
Southbridge,	Alvah L. Hyde,	200	81	125	60	96	0	10	93	0	6	0	0	205	0	2,850
South Hadley,	Charles E. Preston,	186	124	200	49	1,311	11	15	216	193	7	5	807	2,565	0	2,842
" Falls,	Henry E. Judd,	227	144	256	24	110	62	36	107	68	54	5	162	604	0	2,358
Southwick,	Mrs. L. S. Crawford,	45	32	76	0	38	0	0	39	7	5	0	24	113	0	900
Spencer,	Victor H. Morse,	465	210	400	134	788	35	60	707	60	10	5	344	2,009	0	5,187
Springfield, 1st,	W. R. Armstrong,	847	392	1,006	138	1,373	3,796	56	3,725	923	195	20	6,420	16,508	5,000	10,600
" Olivet,	Charles Eninger,	207	96	225	96	288	11	4	183	26	8	8	386	914	0	3,267
" South,	Henry A. King,	270	173	275	115	1,505	1,414	729	1,608	450	196	116	2,158	8,176	15,000	10,544
" North,	P. S. Page,	315	140	250	124	454	6	0	215	36	5	12	84	812	0	12,500
" Indian Orch.,	James Greenoway,	200	107	150	70	72	5	0	20	24	0	0	215	336	0	
" Hope,	Z. W. Kemp,	662	438	685	111	128	86	26	479	262	36	116	1,357	2,490	0	8,371
" *French*,	Eli Mellett,	20	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	330
" Eastern av.,	Leroy Nichols,	177	89	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Emmanuel,	George H. Randall,	200	97	125	55	5	0	0	5	5	2	0	0	17	0	1,155
" Park,	Charles A. Jacobus,	278	160	175	45	141	53	17	47	35	7	7	125	432	0	4,798

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Springfield, St. John's,	1890	Charles Williams,	William N. DeBerry, *p. c.*	'99	'99	33	69	102	17	1	5	6	2	0	9	11	1	6
" *Swedish*,	1891	Fred Anderson,	Gustaf Lindstrom, *p. c.*	'98	'98	24	45	69	4	11	0	11	1	1	7	9	0	9
" Faith,	1894	Enos E. Penny,	D. Butler Pratt, *p. c.*	'89	'00	50	116	166	14	8	26	34	0	13	0	13	3	5
Sterling,	1852	Mrs. C. L. Kingsbury,	Joseph N. Haskell, *p. c.*	'00	'00	18	53	71	7	1	2	3	2	6	0	8	0	2
Stockbridge,	1734	Charles A. Bidwell,	Charles S Rich, *p. c.*	'96	'96	77	151	228	37	6	8	14	0	0	1	1	4	2
" **Curtisville,**	1824	Edward L. Heath,	Edward C. Sedgewick, *p.*	'00	'97	30	44	74	12	4	2	6	1	1	0	2	0	0
Stoneham,	1729	Miss J. L. Greenough,	B. Alfred Dumm, *p. c.*	'91	'01	93	204	297	71	4	8	12	5	9	0	14	2	4
Stoughton,	1822	Miss Mattie S. Sawyer,	Henry E. Bray, *p.*	'89	'99	39	88	127	33	3	4	7	5	2	0	7	4	3
Sturbridge,	1736	Dea. John F. Hebard, *a*	Augustus M. Rice, *p.*	'73	'93	26	75	101	28	5	2	7	5	0	0	5	5	0
Sudbury, **South,**	1640	Dea. F. F. Walker,	Clarence W. Rouse, *p. c.*	'90	'94	57	100	157	22	0	0	0	3	5	0	8	0	0
Sunderland,	1718	Miss A. T. Montague,	Edward P. Butler, *p. c.*	'74	'89	99	136	235	19	9	2	11	2	6	0	8	3	7
Sutton,	1720	C. S. White, Wilkinsonville,	John C. Hall, *p. c.*	'90	'91	40	96	136	44	0	0	0	4	3	0	7	0	1
Swampscott,	1846	Barnet W. Redfern,	D. Emery Burtner, *p. c.*	'90	'98	35	113	148	23	4	8	12	4	1	1	6	4	2
Taunton, West,	1637	Mrs. W. Chase, Jr.,	[Abram L. Bean, *Christ'n,*]	'92	'98	10	30	40	12	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
" Trinitarian,	1821	Dea. C. E. Walker,	Francis A. Fate, *p. c.*	'94	'98	88	198	286	46	13	6	19	6	0	0	6	11	1
" Winslow,	1837	Dea. Geo. W. Andros,	{ S. Hopkins Emery, *p. c. cm.* / T. Clayton Welles, *p. c.*	'37 '72	'46 '92	93	219	312	23	8	9	17	7	5	0	12	1	3
" **East,**	1853	Charles W. King,	Halah H. Loud, *p. c.*	'97	'97	21	48	69	20	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
" Union,	1868	Frank R. Knox,	Frank L. Luce, *p. c.*	'95	'97	56	156	212	25	8	2	10	0	1	0	1	3	3
Templeton,	1832	John M. Brown,	Gabriel B. Kambour, *p. c.*	'93	'93	23	49	72	16	0	2	2	4	0	6	10	0	2
" **Baldwinville,**	1874	Miss M. B. Raymond,	John W. Hird, *p. c.*	'79	'88	43	73	116	17	6	5	11	5	1	8	14	3	2
Tewksbury	1735	Mrs. Irving M. Locke,	J. Herbert Yeoman, *p.*	'77	'99	34	78	112	18	0	3	3	7	0	0	7	0	2
Tolland,	1797	Oliver E. Slocum,	Gilbert A. Curtis, *p.*	'76	'00	15	22	37	14	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	0
Topsfield,	1663	Miss Ada J. Todd,	Herbert J. Wyckoff, *p. c.*	'98	'99	36	84	120	18	0	2	2	1	4	5	10	0	0
Townsend,	1734	Mrs. A. C. Josselyn,	Benjamin A. Willmott, *p.*	'96	'00	49	122	171		7	2	9	3	1	0	4	5	2
Truro,	1711	Dea. Daniel E. Paine,	George O. Thompson, *p.*	'89	'99	10	20	30	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **North,**	1840	Mrs. Benjamin Coan,	[John J. Bushnell, *Meth.*]		'00	0	7	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Tyngsboro,	1868	Mrs. Sarah Swallow,	Sarah A. Dixon, *p.*	'97	'96	23	49	72	15	7	3	10	1	1	1	3	7	2
Upton,	1735	Olive M. Johnson,	Alexander Wiswall, *p. c.*	'79	'92	49	165	214	46	9	3	12	5	2	0	7	6	2
Uxbridge,	1730	William L. Johnson,	Frank L. Bristol, *p. c.*	'75	'88	30	106	136	28	7	5	12	4	2	1	7	4	7
Wakefield,	1644	Dea. John W. White,	Albert P. Davis, *p. c.*	'94	'94	148	314	462	99	6	8	14	12	10	0	22	5	2
Walpole,	1826	S. E. Bentley,	John L. Keedy, *p. c.*	'94	'00	57	135	192	37	9	5	14	1	2	2	5	6	8
" **East,**	1877	Miss Sarah E. Pettee,	Benjamin F. Perkins, *p.*	'65	'97	9	26	35	6	3	5	8	2	0	0	2	1	3
Waltham,	1820	J. Winfield Peugh,	Charles E. Harrington, *p. c.*	'74	'94	163	374	537	130	2	19	21	7	4	1	12	1	6
" *Swedish*,	1892	Sigfried Hall,	Carl A. Lundgren, *p.*	'93	'96	16	52	68	12	6	0	6	1	5	2	8	0	4
Ware,	1751	Miss M. R. Howard,	Edward L. Chute, *p.*	'80	'96	17	52	69	10	7	4	11	4	3	0	7	3	1
" East,	1826	Henry K. Hyde,	Austin B. Bassett, *p. c.*	'87	'91	137	307	444	52	12	5	17	7	18	16	41	5	7
" *French*,	1888	Rev. J. G. Knotter,	James G. Knotter, *p.*	'96	'98	9	10	19	0	2	3	5	0	7	0	7	0	1
Wareham,	1739	Miss Harriet E. Smith,	[Wendell P. Elkins.]		'01	19	46	65	23	3	3	6	1	1	0	2	1	6
Warren, 1st,	1743	E. F. Wood,	William B. Olsson, *p. c.*	'77	'98	106	181	287	77	11	4	15	6	6	0	12	3	3
Warwick,	1829	Dea. E. C. Chase,	William Harris, *p.*	'76	'99	18	27	45	23	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	2
Watertown,	1855	Arthur Stockin,	Edward C. Porter, *p. c*	'84	'80	103	222	325	55	6	8	14	9	4	0	13	2	0
Wayland,	1828	F. H. Fowler,	Benjamin C. Wood, *p.*	'84	'98	13	32	45	18	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Springfield, St J.,	Sidney M. Johnson,	75	60	50	108	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	6	0	2,050
" *Swedish*,	Mathilda Salem,	45	35	25	26	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	95	100	75	950
" Faith,	David Hale,	200	116	140	27	25	0	0	8	22	0	0	82	137	0	8,533
Sterling,	Victor L. Mader,	125	43	69	72	26	3	5	43	11	0	0	16	104	0	928
Stockbridge,	Clarence Perry,	74	43	90	39	169	0	10	199	76	10	13	78	555	0	2,729
" Curtisville,	Dea. F. A. Palmer,	56	50	48	0	49	3	33	81	12	9	4	0	191	0	704
Stoneham,	James W. MacDonald,	387	172	300	130	188	7	7	175	50	37	0	40	504	100	3,049
Stoughton,	John Comstock,	282	150	200	84	54	7	6	31	17	7	0	100	223	0	1,529
Sturbridge,	Stanley F. Plimpton,	80	49	80	0	165	6	16	110	31	9	0	0	337	0	1,167
Sudbury,	Dea. F. F. Walker,	85	64	35	26	55	5	4	181	8	6	0	34	293	0	1,667
Sunderland,	F. O. Williams,	178	130	113	41	191	25	17	196	69	40	0	98	636	0	1,575
Sutton,	Dea. Dexter A. Brigham,	118	62	99	21	57	23	18	32	17	34	6	112	299	0	1,325
Swampscott,	Harold Childs,	190	104	215	64	157	25	10	145	34	11	5	138	525	0	4,960
Taunton, West,	Rev. A. L. Bean,	50	26	50	43	10	0	6	0	21	2	0	59	98	0	760
" Trin.,	Albert King,	324	154	275	125	412	53	43	257	142	31	0	845	1,783	0	8,806
" Winslow,	Carlton F. Sanford,	487	232	280	75	386	15	38	91	107	81	8	37	763	0	5,800
" East,	James W. Richmond,	102	45	110	20	25	3	5	15	5	5	2	15	75	0	725
" Union,	William F. Rose,	256	144	200	83	134	4	13	102	24	3	3	236	519	239	3,046
Templeton,	Dea. J. O. Winch,	79	33	52	35	25	0	3	21	42	0	0	35	126	0	750
" Baldwinville,	Isaac C. Given,	196	150	125	75	80	0	0	90	0	25	0	300	495	0	1,500
Tewksbury,	Irving M. Locke,	145	69	100	39	15	8	6	0	34	0	0	30	93	0	2,116
Tolland,	Oliver E. Slocum,	33	22	17	0	0	0	0	28	3	0	0	0	31	0	200
Topsfield,	Albert C. Dodge,	108	60	120	67	22	5	0	22	21	0	0	5	75	300	1,262
Townsend,	A. S. Howard,	207	98	135	50	68	10	5	35	15	10	0	25	168	1,200	1,650
Truro,	John B. Dyer,	50	30	30	0	8	0	0	11	4	0	0	3	26	0	345
" North,	Mrs. Sarah F. Smith,	61	39	40	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	9	0	578
Tyngsboro,	Mrs. M. L. Blanchard,	118	60	100	45	54	0	5	3	0	10	0	12	84	0	1,100
Upton,	Appleton P. Williams,	228	115	200	40	57	7	3	29	27	0	1	262	386	0	1,345
Uxbridge,	Augustus Story,	240	161	170	82	85	20	21	98	15	19	5	15	278	0	1,725
Wakefield,	Augustus D. Dimick,	476	272	300	136	361	160	29	300	91	43	0	248	1,232	0	4,800
Walpole,	Gilman F. Allen,	200	113	140	44	165	0	12	333	38	41	0	0	589	0	1,670
" East,	J. Lewis Boyden,	132	60	120	19	25	0	0	26	15	21	0	14	101	0	820
Waltham,	Adolph S. Batchilder,	515	272	200	120	276	29	22	317	51	17	21	271	1,004	0	12,004
" *Swedish*,	Victor Landström,	45	40	20	35	0	0	5	8	0	0	0	130	143	0	998
Ware,	Rev. E. L. Chute,	105	50	64	35	27	15	6	10	17	9	0	23	107	0	631
" East,	W. O. Barrett,	493	285	320	156	730	1,360	88	778	253	45	0	397	3,651	0	4,600
" *French*,		0	0	12	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	10	0	50
Wareham,	John M. Freeman, Jr.,	111	63	100	43	37	0	3	15	15	5	0	28	103	0	1,500
Warren, 1st,	W. E. Patrick,	205	131	195	48	375	51	82	417	125	26	15	173	1,264	0	2,394
Warwick,	Dea. Wm. E. Blackmar,	50	35	37	25	9	0	0	21	0	3	0	0	33	0	423
Watertown,	Orlando W. Dimick,	226	155	177	0	307	18	0	352	150	0	0	708	1,535	5,200	11,800
Wayland,	William S. Lovell,	50	38	50	22	12	0	0	21	0	6	0	4	43	0	850

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Webster,	1838	Mrs. W. H. Anderson,	Andrew Campbell, *p.*	'96	'99	68	150	218	40	3	7	10	4	1	0	5	3	5
Wellesley,	1798	Frank S. Farnham,				88	200	288	71	10	3	13	6	3	0	9	3	8
" Hills,	1847	T. Wallace Travis,	Parris T. Farwell, *p. c.*	'83	'95	40	92	132	16	2	11	13	0	5	0	5	0	3
Wellfleet,	1723	Dea. Thomas Kemp,	Egbert N. Munroe, *p.*	'81	'99	38	106	144	42	4	1	5	5	1	0	6	0	0
" South,	1833	Winslow Paine,				14	33	47	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Wendell,	1774	Mrs. Ellen L. Baker,	Edward P. Seymour, *p.*	'92	'96	16	22	38	9	1	0	1	0	3	0	3	1	0
Wenham,	1644	Benjamin H. Conant,	Morris H. Turk, *p.*	'98	'98	22	53	75	23	2	2	4	3	3	0	6	2	0
Westboro,	1724	William A. Sanford,				110	245	355	67	0	12	12	12	10	0	22	0	3
West Boylston,	1796	Dea. E. B. Rice, Greendale,	John E. Dodge, *p.*	'83	'01	28	59	87	32	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0
West Brookfield,	1717	C. E. Smith,	J. Howard Gaylord, *p. c.*	'99	'99	52	137	189	25	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Westfield, 1st,	1679	Rev. J. H. Lockwood,	John H. Lockwood, *p. c.*	'71	'79	104	338	442	40	5	3	8	14	11	20	45	2	11
" 2d,	1856	J. F. Fairman	William C. Gordon, *p. c.*	'89	'00	123	280	403	75	10	8	18	8	8	0	16	6	1
Westford,	1828	Leonard W. Wheeler,	Elijah H. Roper, *p.*	'97	'97	17	57	74	17	3	4	7	2	0	0	2	0	0
Westhampton,	1779	Dea. F. D. Bridgman,	W. Stanley Post, *p.*	'93	'00	86	112	198	37	8	1	9	3	3	0	6	2	0
Westminster,	1742	James B. Wood,	John W. Lees, *p.*	'70	'95	49	109	158		24	3	27	2	4	11	17	16	0
West Newbury, 1st,	1698	Granville S. Goodrich				38	76	114	12	1	1	2	1	1	0	2	1	2
" 2d,	1731	Miss Emily A. Bailey	[George Martin, *Meth.*		'01	16	90	106	27	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	1	0
Weston,	1891	Mrs. Ella J. Fuller	Frank J. Noyes, *p.*	'00	'00	8	13	21	4	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	1	0
Westport,	1858	Mrs. Susan E. Gammons,	George P. Byington, *p.*	'68	'99	10	32	42	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
West Springfield,	1698	Dea. J. M. Smith	[George W. Love, *Meth.*]	'90	'00	39	77	116	23	4	9	13	3	4	0	7	4	2
" Mittineague,	1850	Eugene H. Shepherd,	Alpheus M. Spangler, *p. c.*	'88	'00	89	138	227	60	0	2	2	4	10	0	14	0	2
" Park st.,	1871	Ethan Brooks	William H. Webb, *p.*	'61	'98	51	120	171	19	3	5	8	4	5	1	10	0	4
West Stockbridge, Center,	1789	Mrs. H. A. Roberts,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'90	5	13	18	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
" Village,	1833	Cyrus W. Sprague,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'83	26	70	96	26	2	0	2	1	2	0	3	2	0
West Tisbury,	1673	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Royal C. Moodie, *p.*	'81	'99	34	73	107	22	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Westwood, Islington,	1878		Warren F. Bickford, *p.*	'76	'91	4	17	21	6	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Weymouth, 1st, Heights,	1623	Miss Eliza J. Pratt,				21	57	78	15	1	0	1	0	2	7	9	1	0
" Old South, South,	1723	Alfred O. Crawford,	Henry C. Alvord, *p. c.*	'79	'86	29	95	124	24	0	0	0	2	1	9	12	0	0
" and Braintree, East B.,	'11	Miss J. Macgregor,				29	122	151	28	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	0	1
" Union, South,	1842	Samuel A. Vining,	Frank E. Butler, *p.*	'87	'96	47	122	169	41	0	3	3	2	1	0	3	0	0
" Pilgrim, North,	1852	Miss Emily B. Ponlin,	Thomas H. Vincent, *p.*	'89	'97	46	92	138	0	2	4	6	2	0	0	2	0	3
" East,	1860	Theodore H. Emerson,	Francis A. Poole, *p. c.*	'93	'99	91	151	242	48	1	4	5	6	0	0	6	0	0
Whately,	1771	Charles H. Waite,	William N. T. Dean, *p.*	'75	'00	50	88	138	48	1	5	6	6	6	0	12	1	0
Whitman,	1807	Benjamin F. Peterson,	Edward C. Camp, *p. c.*	'94	'99	77	184	261	49	4	4	8	4	6	1	11	3	0
Wilbraham,	1741	Dea. Francis E. Clark,	Martin S. Howard, *p. c.*	'56	'68	50	73	123	40	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0
" North,	1886	Edwin W. Wall,	Vernon H. Deming, *p. c.*	'99	'00	21	46	67	17	0	2	2	1	5	0	6	0	0
Williamsburg,	1771	Dea. Henry W. Hill,	John Pierpont, *p. c.*	'88	'97	58	130	188	32	1	0	1	4	18	7	29	0	1
" Haydenville,	1851	Dea. Henry C. Smith,	Sanford S. Martyn, *p.*	'68	'00	37	90	127	27	0	0	0	4	2	5	11	0	0
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	Carlton G. Smith,	Willis H. Butler, *p. c.*	'98	'98	62	169	231	39	4	3	7	7	4	0	11	2	4
" College,	1834	O. M. Fernald,				10	10	20	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" South,	1836	Miss Kate L. Torrey,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*		'00	15	39	54	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" White Oaks,	1898	Mrs. Mary R. Hunter,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*		'98	29	66	95	14	3	4	7	1	2	4	7	3	0

Waquoit, see Falmouth. Waverley, see Belmont. West Acton, see Boxboro. West Roxbury, see Boston. W. Wareham, see Hanchester.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Webster,	Ralph T. Larchar,	190	150	200	50	349	32	32	266	165	25	55	10	934	0	2,612
Wellesley,	J. H. Farnham,	180	105	234	99	366	15	19	183	86	15	11	150	845	0	4,200
" Hills,	T. Wallace Travis,	98	75	156	40	1,114	8	34	196	38	19	0	99	1,508	0	3,095
Wellfleet,	Dea. Frederick W. Snow,	65	44	50	37	12	0	0	8	0	5	6	26	57	0	3,625
" South,	Miss Nettie S. Paine,	30	13	26	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	8	0	280
Wendell,	G. A. Fleming,	70	30	60	30	20	1	1	15	8	5	0	0	50	0	431
Wenham,	Frederick F. Abbott,	137	70	140	68	40	10	33	23	10	30	5	44	195	0	1,024
Westboro,	Rev. S. I. Briant,	452	299	278	89	292	34	13	84	174	27	0	13	637	1,000	3,566
West Boylston,	Herbert A. Holmes,	61	29	42	10	58	7	2	24	26	9	0	138	264	0	1,350
West Brookfield,	Miss Crowell,	163	79	200	45	72	3	2	251	155	0	0	0	483	0	1,621
Westfield, 1st,	Charles B Wilson,	490	311	380	45	817	95	43	476	66	48	21	5,455	7,021	0	5,479
" 2d,	Mrs. W. C. Gordon,	300	186	408	163	119	10	8	248	34	10	11	865	1,505	0	4,589
Westford,	Houghton G. Osgood,	60	57	72	36	98	3	6	23	14	4	0	49	197	0	1,264
Westhampton,	Henry M. Clapp,	204	96	89	37	161	41	8	127	92	15	6	137	587	0	1,350
Westminster,	Fred W. Mossman,	139	73	100	72	55	0	17	50	40	0	0	63	225	0	1,200
W. Newbury, 1st,	Anna L. Rogers,	140	65	80	75	35	24	5	37	26	10	0	4	141	0	600
" 2d,	Henry Hall,	191	89	163	40	24	0	0	26	0	0	0	21	71	0	1,540
Weston,	Dea. J. C. M. Weston,	12	10	20	10	0	8	10	15	0	0	0	33	66	0	570
Westport,	Mrs. Nancy A. Parris,	85	49	90	24	56	0	0	59	33	0	0	40	188	0	700
W. Springfield,	Harry L. Brown,	160	97	90	50	79	33	0	54	75	10	0	15	266	0	1,350
" Mittineague,	F. O. Scott,	185	132	115	0	61	16	20	61	60	22	0	162	402	0	2,115
" Park st.,	Nelson Sherburne,	103	65	120	35	179	12	10	115	153	5	7	35	516	0	2,658
W. Stockbridge,	Mrs. Norton S. Patterson,	29	15	25	0	0	0	0	5	0	4	0	4	13	0	290
" Village,	W. W. Bartlett,	93	51	75	65	64	3	15	25	23	11	1	30	172	0	905
West Tisbury,	Ulysses E Mayhew,	70	38	58	40	22	6	9	40	73	5	1	15	171	0	600
Westwood,	Rev. W. F. Bickford,	m50	29	33	19	0	0	4	27	0	0	0	9	40	0	425
Weymouth, 1st,	Miss Louiza E. Humphrey,	85	52	65	0	99	5	13	26	45	18	0	18	224	0	1,430
" Old South,	Francis H. Fearing,	220	128	156	32	134	5	15	58	74	11	9	100	406	0	2,400
" and Braint'e	Edgar H. Bowles,	146	95	100	50	68	0	17	0	32	0	0	50	167	0	2,804
" Un., South,	Walter L. Bates,	163	94	160	38	279	63	15	97	20	18	0	0	492	0	3,721
" Pilgrim,	Charles L. Seabury,	150	75	160	25	115	0	0	25	21	4	0	0	165	0	2,375
" East,	Charles A. Randall,	219	132	230	79	142	38	15	36	10	10	0	175	426	1,793	2,954
Whately,	H. S. Higgins, E. W.	100	64	100	36	47	0	0	150	25	0	0	82	304	0	1,350
Whitman,	I. Lewis Tillson,	m589	214	350	119	94	73	44	122	36	32	4	119	524	0	4,675
Wilbraham,	Ethelbert Bliss,	91	65	75	37	32	0	10	22	22	3	0	33	122	0	1,266
" North,	Fred E. Demond,	72	36	50	48	39	3	3	7	18	6	0	80	156	0	1,186
Williamsburg,	Rev. John Pierpont,	148	98	100	27	255	15	10	97	47	21	0	123	568	0	1,500
" Haydenville,	Percy J. Thatcher,	148	65	120	35	91	0	7	28	9	20	0	59	214	0	1,326
Williamsto'n, 1st,	George B. Waterman,	119	84	125	25	790	30	30	380	61	8	0	130	1,429	0	4,358
" College,						261	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	261	0	0
" South,	Leroy D. Smith,	100	47	90	32	3	0	0	13	0	0	0	9	25	0	313
" White Oaks,	Rev. William R. Stocking,	103	86	106	86	46	0	2	17	0	3	0	0	68	0	214

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Wilmington,	1733	Chester W. Clark,	Walter H. Rollins, *p. c.*	'98	'00	29	67	96	8	0	2	2	2	4	0	6	0	1
Winchendon, 1st,	1762	Mrs. Lizzie E. Jones,	Gustavus W. Jones, *p. c.*	'69	'90	23	29	52	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1843	Rev. Davis Foster,	Davis Foster, *p. c.*	'55	'67	70	162	232	32	3	4	7	7	2	6	15	0	2
Winchester,	1840	Rev. Edwin B. Palmer,	D. Augustine Newton, *p. c.*	'82	'89	184	346	530	65	27	13	40	9	14	0	23	13	11
Windsor,	1773	Howlett C. Cleveland,	George Sterling, *p.*	'74	'97	16	22	38	8	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	3	2
Winthrop,	1896	Herbert A. Larrabee,	James J. Goodacre, *p.*	'97	'00	14	46	60	22	1	13	14	0	1	0	1	0	1
Woburn, 1st,	1642	Dea. Oliver F. Bryant,	Daniel March, *p. c., em.* '45 / Doremus Scudder, *p. c.* '85		'76 / '95	176	367	543	62	11	2	13	4	27	32	63	1	7
" North,	1849	Josiah P. Bixby,	George H. Tilton, *p. c.*	'73	'96	45	91	136	28	7	3	10	2	8	0	10	0	2
" *Scandinavian*,	1884	Oscar Peterson,	Ludwig Akeson, *p. c.*	'95	'99	30	52	82	6	18	0	18	0	0	10	10	0	9
" Montvale,	1892	Dea. Wm. H. Huber	Wolcott Calkins, *p.*	'62	'98	13	19	32	5	0	8	8	2	0	0	2	0	2
Worcester, 1st,	1719	Monroe Murphy,	Arcturus Z. Conrad, *p. c.*	'85	'90	347	690	1037		21	30	51	19	15	0	34	15	12
" Central,	1820	William H. Sanford,	Daniel Merriman, *p.c.em.* '68 / Albert W. Hitchcock, *p.c.* '91		'78 / '00	129	273	402	31	3	6	9	8	20	0	28	3	1
" Union,	1836	Charles H. Sibley,				233	542	775	150	22	26	48	14	12	0	26	13	14
" Summer st.,	1865	Robert A. Stewart,	Orange C. Bailey, *p.*	'85	'94	39	61	100	5	5	4	9	1	1	0	2	2	2
" Plymouth,	1869	Frank E. Stimpson,	Samuel H. Virgin, *p.*	'68	'00	273	471	744		7	2	9	7	10	0	17	0	1
" Piedmont,	1872	E. Walter Smith,	Willard Scott, *p. c.*	'79	'98	265	505	770	120	19	33	52	8	4	3	15	6	4
" *Swedish*, 1st,	1880	August M. Berg,	[John A. Hultman, *M. C.*]	'00	'00	162	208	370	6	47	0	47	3	24	1	28	0	0
" Pilgrim,	1885	O. R. Cook,	Alexander Lewis, *p. c.*	'90	'96	211	476	687	48	31	19	50	6	4	9	19	16	11
" Park,	1887	Charles M. Smith,	Inman L. Willcox, *p. c*	'89	'91	70	158	228	45	4	6	10	3	1	10	14	3	5
" Covenant,	1889	Miss Emogene Dewey,	Lyman Mevis, *p.*	'91	'00	28	64	92		5	2	7	0	2	0	2	4	0
" Hope,	1889	Robert Hamill,	Ellsworth W. Phillips, *p. c.*	'91	'91	80	154	234	26	25	9	34	1	3	4	8	4	7
" Lake View,	1890	Miss C. Ethel Reed,	John H. Matthews, *p.*	'91	'97	24	45	69	19	1	5	6	1	0	0	1	1	0
" Bethany,	1891	Louis A. Spaulding,	Albert G. Todd, *p.*	'90	'93	34	84	118	29	9	9	18	0	0	5	5	5	0
" *Armenian*,	1892	Baghdagar G. Bogigian,	[Hachadoor Benneyan, *Lic.*]		'97	23	16	39	2	1	6	7	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Immanuel,	1893	Dea. Chas. H. Putnam,	George S. Dodge, *p. c.*	'72	'93	52	78	130	25	15	4	19	3	4	0	7	0	0
" *Swedish*, 2d,	1895	P. J. Johnson,	John Udd, *p. c.*	'96	'96	78	104	182	4	13	0	13	1	7	0	8	0	12
" Adams Sq.,	1898	Charles S. Robbins,	J. Addison Seibert, *p.*	'94	'01	41	77	118		2	8	10	0	17	0	17	0	2
Worthington,	1771	Miss Estelle Cole,	Melvin J. Allen, *p.*	'82	'99	40	94	134	31	0	4	4	2	2	0	4	0	4
Wrentham,	1692	Nathan H. Fales,	William J. Minchin, *p.*	'96	'99	43	117	160	25	2	3	5	3	4	0	7	2	7
Yarmouth,	1639	A. H. Eldridge, Y.P.	John J. Walker, *p. c.*	'94	'97	26	103	129	24	4	0	4	5	0	2	7	1	0
" West,	1840	Miss Abbie B. Crowell,	Edgar C. Wheeler, *p.*	'96	'99	7	11	18	3	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	3	0

Whitinsville, *see* Northbridge. Wollaston, *see* Quincy. Woods Holl, *see* Falmouth.

CHANGES from last *Year-Book's* list of churches: *Added*, — Barnstable, Cotuit; Heath. *Omitted*, — Brockton, *Swedish*, Campello.

CHURCHES: 265 with pastors installed by council; 249 with pastors otherwise inducted; 6 with supplies; 81 vacant (including 21 supplied by licentiates or ministers of other denominations). Total, 601.

MINISTERS: 271 pastors installed by council; 243 pastors otherwise inducted; 6 supplies; 371 others. Total, 891.

CHURCH MEMBERS: 35,471 males; 77,764 females. Total, 113,235, including 19,108 absent. Gain, 269.

ADDITIONS: 3,385 by confession; 3,022 by letter. Total, 6,407.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Wilmington	William A. Rogers,	211	105	100	40	22	0	7	0	17	0	2	40	88	0	1,250
Winchendon, 1st,	James E. Teel,	60	39	47	30	50	2	2	25	25	2	0	13	119	0	437
" North,	Franklin A. Park,	225	144	180	62	411	9	45	245	87	37	0	90	924	0	2,425
Winchester,	William R. Freethy,	448	221	361	84	3,019	137	155	936	561	130	134	1,238	6,310	0	8,135
Windsor,	Curti B. Goodell	64	36	80	49	14	0	6	14	8	0	0	19	61	0	191
Winthrop,	Mrs. J. L. Larrabee,	154	97	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	7	0	3,975
Woburn, 1st,	Dea. John R. Carter,	678	348	550	92	1,736	181	133	686	384	95	23	598	3,836	0	7,886
" North,	Dea. Benjamin F. Kimball,	215	110	116	110	65	6	6	16	25	15	0	15	148	0	1,695
" *Scand.*,	Rev. Ludwig Akeson,	120	85	35	35	7	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	18	0	835
" Montvale,	Dea. William H. Huber,	69	50	60	91	3	1	1	32	1	1	0	22	61	0	498
Worcester, 1st,	Waldo Lewis,	820	490	890	270	613	38	92	1,258	76	0	66	1,457	3,600	400	30,250
" Central,	D. M. Wheeler,	467	261	400	65	1,566	79	51	1,615	267	302	16	1,655	5,551	0	8,175
" Union,	Charles E. Burbank,	589	279	477	120	938	85	151	798	486	454	119	2,337	5,368	0	10,546
" Summer st.,	Fred P. Good,	129	89	74	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	30	0	2,030
" Plymouth,	Paul B. Morgan,	541	239	425	70	1,859	554	600	2,025	152	73	0	2,704	7,967	0	9,410
" Piedmont,	Elmer C. Potter,	721	336	650	129	3,314	2,214	2,022	2,580	370	646	79	6,389	17,614	0	13,385
" *Swed.*, 1st,	Eric Ljungquist,	m504	378		85	425	0	2,193	244	0	0	0	277	3,139	0	4,592
" Pilgrim,	C. W. Dodge,	624	390	600	97	345	225	149	1,578	88	10	0	262	2,657	0	22,002
" Park,	Charles M. Smith,	280	150	250	101	50	4	7	110	8	3	0	18	200	0	3,400
" Covenant,	Jerome M. Stone,	130	97	100	16	5	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	8	0	2,092
" Hope,	Ernest R. Maylott,	353	226	225	95	239	20	17	262	37	0	0	5	580	0	2,682
" LakeView,	Rev. John H. Matthews,	147	99	100	90	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	10	25	0	1,045
" Bethany,	Mrs. Albert G. Todd,	157	90	85	45	15	0	0	48	0	0	0	1	64	0	1,722
" *Armenian*,	Stephen P. Proodian,	40	30	52	15	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	100	130	0	700
" Immanuel,	Edwin Batty,	170	120	160	56	87	0	0	73	28	10	0	55	253	0	2,200
" *Swed.*, 2d,	Carl Norgren,	280	200		40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Adams Sq.,	Eugene Van De Mark,	244	123	200	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000
Worthington,	Milo Bates, Ringville,	133	72	100	43	61	0	0	12	6	0	0	91	170	500	1,500
Wrentham,	Nathan H. Fales,	158	77	150	77	62	0	10	66	63	12	10	164	387	0	3,518
Yarmouth,	A. H. Eldridge, Y. Port.,	70	53	140	15	78	10	10	160	20	17	0	25	320	0	1,400
" West,	Miss Dora H. Baker,	28	18	25	0	4	2	2	4	2	2	0	6	22	0	280

REMOVALS: 1,969 by death; 2,511 by letter; 1,535 by discipline (and revision of the roll). Total, 6,015.

BAPTISMS: 1,539 adult; 1,810 infant.

IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 120,286. Gain, 5,075. Average, 69,121.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Number, 532; 34,849 members.

FAMILIES: 583 churches reporting (561 last year), 92,022. Gain, 2,872.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: 600 churches reporting (579 last year): Foreign, $155,361; Education, $44,312; Church Building, $27,302; Home, $159,782; A. M. A., $36,876; Sunday School, $14,876; Ministerial Aid, $4,708; Other, $230,728. Total, $673,945. Increase, $13,906.

BENEVOLENT LEGACIES: $111,453. Decrease, $113,033.

HOME EXPENDITURES: 590 churches reporting (575 last year), $1,711,020. Increase, $56,054.

ORGANIZATION: Twenty-five Conferences, united in THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

TABLES OF SUMMARIES: I. CHURCH STATISTICS

CONFERENCES.		CHURCHES.					MEMBERS.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPTISMS.	
Name	Date of Organization.	Number.	With P. C's.	With P's.	With other Supplies.	Unsupplied.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.
Andover	1859	29	20	5		3	2,143	4,881	7,024	1,559	263	127	390	103	131	67	301	126	108
Barnstable	1828	24	4	14(−1)		5	380	1,173	1,553	339	30	21	51	45	11	18	74	23	9
Berkshire North	1867	18	8	5	0	5	1,180	2,333	3,513	361	109	82	191	57	65	8	130	39	77
" South	1860	19	4	9(−2)	0	6	650	1,421	2,071	435	41	36	77	34	38	7	79	36	34
Brookfield	1821	21	9	10(−1)	1	1	969	2,140	3,109	632	131	75	206	58	79	19	156	66	45
Essex North	1828	27	19(−1)	6	0	2	1,536	3,678	5,214	793	132	82	214	94	83	13	190	84	50
" South	1827	37	20	11	0	6	1,699	4,572	6,271	866	213	127	340	107	87	51	245	119	104
Franklin	1843	30	5	22	0	3	1,210	2,391	3,601	551	123	99	222	59	115	16	190	47	46
Hampden	1850	47	27	10	0	10	3,184	6,616	9,800	1,599	336	288	624	177	222	97	496	155	161
Hampshire	1865	17	8	9(−1)	0	0	1,072	2,491	3,563	637	55	71	126	69	67	22	158	26	40
" East	1860	16	4	10	2	0	988	1,710	2,698	661	53	44	97	60	57	4	121	33	12
Mendon	1858	12	3	7	0	2	590	1,497	2,087	427	63	47	110	51	46	67	164	33	54
Middlesex South	1828	21	11	8	0	2	1,139	2,611	3,750	788	77	85	162	72	94	47	213	46	54
" Union	1853	23	9	10	0	4	1,164	2,418	3,582	579	95	83	178	67	70	110	247	29	41
Norfolk	1827	36	13	15	0	8	1,843	4,085	5,928	883	160	149	309	109	105	34	248	80	81
Old Colony	1856	16	4	10	0	2	589	1,448	2,037	332	43	39	82	48	44	21	113	26	31
Pilgrim	1830	14	0	10	0	4	291	810	1,101	162	26	26	52	20	32	0	52	9	10
Suffolk North	1861	29	18	9	0	2	2,711	5,790	8,505	1,589	230	303	533	133	304	81	518	102	182
" South	1861	28	17(+1)	9	0	2	2,443	5,454	7,897	1,604	281	354	635	126	212	136	494	91	181
" West	1873	26	17(+3)	7	0	2	2,779	5,653	8,432	992	244	358	602	100	216	531	847	68	162
Taunton	1849	24	10(+1)	12(−1)	0	2	1,021	2,349	3,370	513	118	76	194	66	37	14	117	59	72
Woburn	1848	23	12(+1)	9	0	2	1,868	3,964	5,832	1,018	156	154	310	92	160	67	319	55	88
Worcester Central	1852	31	11(+1)	14	1	5	2,754	5,363	8,117	1,007	273	214	487	127	160	39	326	87	113
" North	1827	16	6	9	0	1	716	1,310	1,926	305	94	41	135	42	37	38	117	72	9
" South	1828	16	6	8	0	2	633	1,590	2,223	496	39	41	80	53	39	8	100	28	45
Associated with R. I.		1		1	0	0	15	16	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total		601	265(+6)	239 (−6)	6	81	35,471	77,764	113,235	19,108	3,385	3,022	6,407	1,969	2,511	1,535	6,015	1,530	1,810

II. BENEVOLENCE AND HOME EXPENDITURES

Conferences.	A.B.C.F.M.	Education.	C. B. S.	Home Missions.	A. M. A.	Sunday School.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditures.
Andover,	$4,516	$1,743	$989	$8,546	$1,586	$440	$92	$16,652	$34,564	$5,720	$128,942
Barnstable,	526	42	62	554	230	113	71	780	2,378	1,250	23,080
Berkshire North,	5,968	1,828	446	4,818	1,165	301	271	4,963	19,760	2,000	42,849
" South,	2,423	187	149	1,629	616	184	58	2,213	7,459	10,279	24,340
Brookfield,	3,247	1,672	433	3,427	1,054	275	47	1,605	11,760	375	34,084
Essex North,	3,781	333	299	4,620	1,042	393	63	22,173	32,704	770	57,417
" South,	5,440	1,007	430	4,765	1,880	524	161	8,175	22,382	1,500	90,436
Franklin,	1,938	326	317	1,619	823	291	62	1,623	6,999	120	40,725
Hampden,	9,360	6,024	6,541	13,388	3,428	1,021	487	49,781	90,030	20,095	150,065
Hampshire,	3,007	446	338	3,782	1,553	270	53	2,204	11,653	3,900	36,653
" East,	4,020	250	121	1,784	792	134	84	1,417	8,602	2,000	18,708
Mendon,	1,456	39	120	984	383	995	70	2,552	6,599	0	23,746
Middlesex South,	2,971	588	376	3,243	1,257	273	104	3,229	12,041	725	52,034
" Union,	2,824	646	425	2,896	1,051	534	66	2,330	10,772	1,550	57,074
Norfolk,	5,171	902	1,856	4,731	1,438	694	209	9,425	24,426	1,793	101,120
Old Colony,	2,084	153	127	2,318	352	195	501	4,868	10,598	5,000	30,833
Pilgrim,	520	33	70	700	105	83	18	542	2,071	50	15,994
Suffolk North,	8,574	569	540	8,230	2,135	520	128	12,868	33,564	13,695	148,742
" South,	14,603	2,919	1,551	15,958	2,347	1,181	268	5,234	44,061	1,571	140,893
" West,	40,037	9,349	4,121	42,360	5,062	2,222	760	28,800	132,711	26,121	149,815
Taunton,	5,123	7,814	925	7,547	1,274	766	30	21,114	44,593	3,639	54,534
Woburn,	8,298	1,055	688	4,931	2,264	687	279	6,402	24,604	1,100	96,315
Worcester Central,	11,113	3,405	5,362	12,427	1,797	1,626	334	17,469	53,533	7,200	140,466
" North,	1,468	108	164	925	606	157	0	2,253	5,681	0	24,673
" South,	6,893	2,874	850	3,600	2,636	994	492	2,056	20,395	1,000	27,272
Associated with R. I.,	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	5	0	210
	$155,361	$44,312	$27,302	$159,782	$36,876	$14,876	$4,708	$230,728	$673,945	$111,453	$1,711,020

III. THE S. S. AND Y. P. S. C. E. STATISTICS

Name of Conference.	Sunday School.		Families in the Congregation.	Y. P. S. C. E.	
	Members.	Average Attendance.		No.	Members.
Andover	6,837	3,918	4,967	26	2,081
Barnstable	1,738	970	1,618	17	679
Berkshire North	3,353	2,140	2,666	15	999
" South	1,549	1,011	1,542	14	566
Brookfield	3,304	1,722	2,575	19	1,035
Essex North	5,139	2,927	5,134	25	1,588
" South	8,407	4,789	6,026	33	2,595
Franklin	3,727	2,214	2,721	29	1,140
Hampden	9,273	5,429	7,504	36	2,376
Hampshire	2,826	1,738	2,349	17	848
" East	1,915	1,150	1,490	13	643
Mendon	2,040	1,156	1,889	10	623
Middlesex South	3,303	1,919	2,804	18	987
" Union	3,318	1,937	2,296	22	1,248
Norfolk	8,292	4,678	6,230	31	2,508
Old Colony	2,496	1,342	2,075	15	751
Pilgrim	1,226	759	1,479	13	452
Suffolk North	10,479	5,788	6,616	27	2,224
" South	10,152	5,605	6,667	26	2,626
" West	6,665	4,411	4,807	21	1,843
Taunton	4,065	2,253	3,129	22	1,270
Woburn	7,433	3,886	5,470	23	2,133
Worcester Central	8,258	4,661	6,209	30	2,017
" North	1,914	1,127	1,616	14	712
" South	2,512	1,551	2,113	15	873
Associated with Rhode Island	65	40	30	1	32
Totals	120,286	69,121	92,022	532	34,849

IV. SUMMARY OF CHANGES DURING THE YEARS MENTIONED

YEARS.	CHURCHES.				MINISTERS.								Sunday Schools.		Benevolent Contributions.	
	Number.		Members.		The Pastorate.					Deaths.						
	New.	Dropped.	Gain.	Loss.	Ordained.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Died.	Ordained without Installation.	Pastors by Council.	Pastors.	Others.	Gain.	Loss.	Increase.	Decrease.
1901	2	1	269	—	7	22	26	16	10	1	6	9	5,075	—	$13,906	—
1900	2	3	—	578	8	24	20	2	10	2	1	18	—	5,370	101,914	—
1899	1	0	583	—	7	24	15	4	12	4	1	9	—	3,666	—	$51,348
1898	7	2	1,738	—	6	21	12	2	15	2	2	11	2,690	—	—	49,078
1897	6	2	1,044	—	11	24	23	0	12	0	2	27	3,410	—	—	37,710
1896	1	1	705	—	10	25	22	1	16	1	3	18	52	—	65,015	—
1895	5	3	1,950	—	8	21	17	1	26	1	3	22	422	—	—	44,638
1894	8	0	1,581	—	15	35	30	2	15	2	1	15	1,429	—	—	176,171
1893	8	2	629	—	9	22	20	0	12	0	1	7	—	995	194,507	—
1892	9	1	1,655	—	21	24	24	2	8	2	1	11	—	1,404	—	17,737
1891	6	2	1,999	—	11	24	17	2	9	2	0	10	1,914	—	17,206	—
1890	5	1	1,190	—	17	29	24	2	5	2	3	13	1,849	—	16,902	—
1889	17	0	2,461	—	4	32	20	2	12	2	4	11	934	—	20,449	—
1888	6	2	1,295	—	10	24	25	2	2	2	2	16	2,410	—	—	28,871 35
1887	1	2	1,425	—	12	22	39	3	4	3	0	7	1,048	—	110,514 49	—
1886	4	2	1,262	—	11	18	22	0	1	0	1	7	588	—	—	4,394 72
1885	3	1	3,375	—	8	33	31	2	3	2	0	11	3,355	—	100,919 45	—
1884	3	2	—	1,945	9	28	26	3	3	3	1	12	1,816	—	23,341 82	—
1883	0	1	957	—	15	26	27	5	3	5	1	13	2,941	—	137,601 71	—
1882	4	0	1,276	—	6	14	11	6	3	1	0	5	—	10,999	—	41,877 74
1881	2	1	—	1,477	15	31	26	3	4	3	3	14	5,232	—	45,231 77	—
1880	2	4	—	348	12	28	32	7	3	7	0	12	655	—	22,000 27	—
1879	1	2	319	—	15	28	36	2	9	2	1	18	—	349	15,170 77	—
1878	4	1	3,995	—	13	35	43	2	6	2	0	10	3,723	—	—	75,297 55
1877	7	2	2,519	—	7	25	48	5	7	5	2	8	754	—	—	16,274 77
1876	4	0	787	—	9	29	47	4	14	4	1	10	—	1,119	—	15,929 92
1875	11	2	1,688	—	11	19	37	2	4	2	*	8	4,514	—	22,705 17	—
1874	3	2	1,015	—	10	33	34	11	6	11		11	2,150	—	—	42,248 88
1873	6	2	11	—	21	33	36	6	4	6		13	—	687	—	2,119 87
1872	2	0	870	—	10	43	39	7	3	7		13	332	—	98,649 52	—
1871	2	3	517	—	9	43	53	3	5	3		5	—	2,293	2,010 21	—
1870	6	4	9	—	16	25	46	9	5	9		14	—	700	37,726 82	—
1869	7	3	531	—	17	42	50	2	3	2		15	404	—	Unk'n	
1868	3	3	1,692	—	17	37	46	1	8	1		5	2,620	—	"	
1867	5	2	2,879	—	12	33	59	2	10	2		15	3,713	—	"	
1866	9	5	—	263	10	27	32	5		5		13	920	—	"	
1865	8	8	1,099	—						1		6	—	775	"	
1860	6	3	—	413						9		6	—	161		
1855	5	1	532	—						6		6	940	—		

NOTE. — The "year" means what changes were comprised in the twelve months preceding January 1 of the year mentioned. The table was begun in 1866, all preceding years now given being compiled from past Minutes, — the number of churches in some years varying from the Minutes as they *were* to what they *should* have been.

The changes in list of churches, ordinations, installations, etc., for the past year, condensed in the above table, are given in detail in their proper place.

*Prior to 1876 "acting pastors" are included in "others" in columns of deaths of ministers.

V. CONTINUED TABLE OF SUMMARIES

Year.	Churches.					Ministers.					Church Members, Jan. 1.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		S. S.		Benevolent Contributions.
	With P. C.	With P.	With S.	Vacant.	Total.	P. C.	P.	S.	Others.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Ab'nt.	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death	Dism.	Disc.	Total.	Adult	Infant	Mem.	Av. Att.	
1901	265	249	6	81	601	271	243	6	371	891	35,471	77,764	113,235	19,108	3,385	3,022	6,407	1,969	2,511	1,535	6,015	1,539	1,810	120,286	69,121	$673,945
1900	275	258	9	58	600	282	256	9	280	827	35,438	77,528	112,966	18,262	2,703	2,719	5,422	1,967	2,425	1,241	5,632	1,225	1,774	115,211	67,615	660,039
1899	273	243	8	77	601	281	230	7	300	818	35,878	77,666	113,544	18,255	2,847	2,656	5,503	1,740	2,383	840	4,963	1,345	1,799	120,581	70,472	558,125
1898	282	252	8	56	598	291	235	6	256	788	35,828	77,133	112,961	17,985	3,912	3,180	7,092	1,828	2,462	748	5,038	1,860	1,990	124,247	72,968	609,473
1897	274	241	10	68	593	280	226	10	271	787	35,331	75,892	111,223	17,453	3,382	3,050	6,432	1,848	2,590	915	5,353	1,633	1,616	121,557	70,571	658,551
1896	281	224	15	69	589	287	214	15	270	786	35,038	75,141	110,179	17,216	3,786	2,964	6,750	1,849	2,650	936	5,435	1,336	1,661	118,379	69,581	696 261
1895	273	215	22	79	589	280	210	21	267	778	34,461	75,013	109,474	17,014	4,106	3,282	7,388	1,843	2,653	952	5,448	1,964	1,802	118,327	70,262	631,246
1894	267	203	27	90	587	271	194	22	293	780	34,032	73,492	107,524	16,957	3,733	3,260	6,993	1,935	2,730	721	5,386	1,849	1,804	117,905	70,790	675,884
1893	267	198	16	98	579	276	184	16	342	818	33,598	72,345	105,943	17,125	3,324	3,005	6,329	2,074	2,506	850	5,430	1,654	1,452	116,476	69,323	852,055
1892	265	195	11	102	573	275	199	11	315	800	33,433	71,881	105,314	15,865	3,617	3,170	6,787	1,916	2,721	475	5,112	1,840	1,543	117,471	68,640	657,548
1891	272	176	16	101	565	283	181	15	286	765	32,596	71,063	103,659	17,206	3,530	3,043	6,573	1,757	2,604	479	4,840	1,883	1,674	118,875	72,041	675,285
1890	268	190	23	80	561	278	178	22	276	754	32,133	69,527	101,660	17,595	3,836	3,159	6,995	1,754	2,744	913	5,411	1,930	1,377	116,961	68,574	658,079
1889	264	177	45	93	557	264	177	45	220	706	31,592	68,878	100,470	15,838	3,718	2,760	6,478	1,780	2,513	337	4,630	1,838	1,258	115,112	66,899	641,177
1888	261	204		75	540	277	165		236	678	29,465	64,712	97,707	15,541	3,882	2,839	6,721	1,788	2,313	185	4,286	2,013	1,229	114,178		678,950
1887	258	178		99	535	282	157		259	698	29,029	63,967	96,412	15,836	3,733	2,688	6,421	1,537	2,114	189	3,856	1,905	961	111,768		707,821
1886	277	189		70	536	289	165		211	665	28,577	62,697	94,987	15,931	3,752	2,687	6,440	1,688	2,170	150	4,011	1,843	1,025	110,720		597,307
1885	283	166		85	534	297	178		186	661	28,857	63,423	93,725	15,239	3,013	2,503	5,519	1,603	1,979	168	3,752	1,414	1,008	110,182		601,702
1884	283	169		80	532	300	155		186	641	27,777	62,573	90,350	13,877	2,800	2,071	4,871	1,587	1,979	141	3,707	1,451	800	106,827		500,782
1883	278	160		93	531	265	153		202	620	30,957	61,338	92,295	14,872	2,371	2,180	4,551	1,585	1,861	148	3,594	1,051	837	105,011		477,440
1882	274	178		80	532	278	143		215	636	28,073	61,135	91,238	14,392	2,153	2,001	4,168	1,682	1,724	137	3,539	1,103	966	94,977		349,839
1881	269	164		95	528	264	119		228	611	28,494	61,468	89,962	14,399	1,631	1,940	3,571	1,410	1,592	145	3,147	874	842	105,976		391,716
1880	280	171		75	526	284	164		185	633	29,045	62,394	91,439	14,584	1,761	1,835	3,596	1,454	1,745	151	3,350	922	968	100,744		346,485
1879	282	180		66	528	286	174		195	655	29,212	62,575	91,787	14,764	2,421	1,869	4,290	1,401	1,669	116	3,186	1,235	954	10,089		325,484
1878	277	174		78	529	280	169		194	643	28,995	62,473	91,468	14,100	5,698	2,577	8,275	1,418	2,066	159	3,643	3,103	1,353	100,438	62,290	309,314
1877	269	174		83	526	275	171		196	642	27,479	59,994	87,473	12,833	4,407	2,085	6,492	1,517	1,807	178	3,502	2,480	1,078	96,715		384,611
1876	289	163		69	521	292	162		187	641	26,580	58,374	84,954	13,177	3,103	2,244	5,347	1,531	2,163	89	3,783	1,616	1,153	95,961	61,391	400,886
1875	301	136		80	517	305	134		167	606	26,346	57,821	84,167	12,777	3,869	2,739	6,608	1,391	2,295	94	3,780	2,137	1,111	97,160	62,295	416,816
1874	307	116		85	508	314	116		166	596	25,810	56,669	82,479	12,506	2,329	2,279	4,608	1,380	1,902	67	3,349	1,112	1,012	92,646	60,036	394,111
1873	307	127		73	507	316	127		173	616	25,481	55,983	81,464	13,305	2,713	2,438	5,151	1,483	2,159	60	3,702	1,287	915	90,496	58,405	436,359
1872	299	123		81	503	304	123		164	591	25,426	56,027	81,453	13,874	2,569	2,151	4,720	1,350	2,177	79	3,606	1,236	882	91,183	61,571	438,479
1871	292	134		75	501	297	134		166	597	25,152	55,431	80,583	12,517	2,164	2,009	4,173	1,348	2,049	73	3,470	1,126	1,005	90,851	61,443	439,830
1870	294	119		89	502	298	117		176	591	24,915	55,151	80,066	11,983	2,381	2,476	4,857	1,359	2,308	82	3,749	1,218	1,103	93,144	62,217	337,820
1869	311	116		73	500	314	115		172	601	25,050	55,007	80,057	11,970	2,975	2,492	5,467	1,267	2,337	79	3,683	1,610	1,036	93,844	61,149	300,093
1868	301	113		82	496	307	112		156	575	24,734	54,792	79,526	11,509	3,513	2,163	5,676	1,170	2,122	58	3,350	1,928	1,072	93,440	62,782	298,533
1867	295	114		87	496	300	113		154	567	24,082	53,752	77,834	11,695	4,644	2,316	6,960	1,220	2,051	114	4,385	2,314	1,168	90,820	61,407	315,322
1866	310	109		74	493	316	107		166	589	25,177	51,178	74,955	11,147	2,153	1,696	3,749	1,307	1,703	98	3,108	1,010	987	87,107	60,036	392,244
1865	313	100		76	489	318	101		147	566	23,488	51,730	75,218	11,706	3,030	1,790	4,820	1,454	1,675	124	3,253	1,467	1,023	86,187	58,284	
1860	325	81		82	488	333	78		176	587	24,217	51,302	76,371	10,114	1,741	1,734	3,475	1,154	1,768	188	3,110	780	1,293	80,124		
1855	351	54		62	467	366	55		135	556	20,999	45,218	69,509	8,756	1,713	1,618	3,331	1,119	1,674	97	2 890	737	1,254	66,147		
1850	347	58		56	461	356	56						64,830		1,185	1.510	2,695	1,054	1.456	108	2,618	429	1,239	64,178		

In the above table, the columns of "Additions," "Removals," "Baptisms," "Sunday School Average," and "Benevolent Contributions" cover the twelve months next preceding January 1 of the year mentioned in a given line. The number of *churches*, *members*, and of *Sunday Schools* was enumerated January 1 of the year mentioned. The number of churches "Vacant" includes all churches supplied by licentiates, or ministers of other denominations.

THE CONFERENCES OF THE CHURCHES

1. ANDOVER. — Organized, June 8, 1859.

Andover, South,
" West,
" Free,
" **Ballardvale,**
" Seminary,
Chelmsford, **North,**
" Central,
Dracut, First,
" Central,
Lawrence, Lawrence St.,
" South,
" Riverside,
" Trinity,
" United,
Lowell, Pawtucket,
" First,
" First Trinitar'n,
" Eliot,
" John Street,
Lowell, Kirk St.,
" High St.,
" *French*,
" Highland,
" *Swedish*,
" *Norwegian*,
Methuen,
North Andover,
Tewksbury,
Tyngsboro.

ALBERT W. BURNHAM, Lowell, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
JOHN L. BREWSTER, Andover, *statistical secretary*.
Conference meets on the last Tuesday in April, and the second Tuesday in October.

2. BARNSTABLE. — Organized, October 28, 1828.

Barnstable, **West,**
" **Centreville,**
" **Hyannis,**
" **Cotuit,**
Chatham,
Dennis, **South,**
" Union,
Falmouth, First,
Falmouth, **East,**
" **North,**
" **Waquoit,**
" **Woods Hole,**
Harwich,
" **Port,**
Nantucket,
Orleans,
Provincetown,
Sandwich,
Truro, First,
" **North,**
Wellfleet, First,
" **South,**
Yarmouth, First,
" **West.**

Rev. CHARLES A. BRECK, Cotuit, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the second Tuesdays in May and November.

3. BERKSHIRE NORTH. — Organized, December 3, 1867.

Adams,
Becket, North,
Dalton,
Hinsdale,
Lanesboro,
Middlefield,
North Adams,
Peru,
Pittsfield, First,
" Second,
" South,
" Pilgrim Mem'l,
Richmond,
Williamstown, First,
" College,
" **South,**
" W. Oaks,
Windsor,
(Canaan, N. Y.)
(New Lebanon, N. Y.)

Deacon GEORGE FRENCH, North Adams, *secretary* and *treasurer*.
Annual meeting on the second Wednesday in November; semi-annual on the second Wednesday in May.

4. BERKSHIRE SOUTH. — Organized, August 29, 1860.

Becket, **Centre,**
Egremont, **South,**
Great Barrington, First,
" " **Housatonic,**
Lee,
Lenox,
Monterey,
Mount Washington,
New Marlboro, First,
" " **Southfield,**
" " **Mill River,**
Otis,
Sandisfield, First,
" **New Boston,**
Sheffield,
Stockbridge, First,
" **Curtisville,**
West Stockbr'ge, Centre,
" " Village.

BENNETT T. GALE, Lee, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Rev. WALTER W. CURTIS, West Stockbridge, *statistical secretary*.
Annual meeting in November.

5. BROOKFIELD. — Organized, June 13, 1821.

Barre,
Brimfield,
Brookfield,
Charlton,
Dana,
Dudley,
Hardwick, First,
Hardwick, **Gilbertville,**
Holland,
New Braintree,
North Brookfield, First,
" " Union,
Oakham,
Southbridge,
Spencer,
Sturbridge,
Ware, First,
" East,
" *French*,
Warren,
West Brookfield.

Rev. ALLEN A. BRONSDON, Oakham, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Annual meeting, first Tuesday in May, two days; semi-annual, third Tuesday in September, one day.

6. ESSEX NORTH. — Organized, April 30, 1828.

Amesbury, First,
" Union,
Boxford, **West,**
Georgetown, First,
" Memorial,
Groveland,
Haverhill, **Bradford,**
" West,
" Fourth,
Haverhill, Centre,
" North,
" Riverside,
" Union,
" St. John's, *French*,
" **Ward Hill,**
Ipswich, First,
" Linebrook,
Merrimac,
Newbury, First,
" **Byfield,**
Newburyport, North,
" Prospect St.,
" Belleville,
" Whitefield,
Rowley,
West Newbury, First,
" " Second.

Rev. DAVID C. TORREY, Byfield, *scribe*.
Rev. JOHN N. LOWELL, Haverhill, *statistical secretary* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in May and October.

7. ESSEX SOUTH. — Organized, May 8, 1827.

Beverly, Second, **North,**
" Dane Street,
" Washington St.,
Boxford,
Ipswich, South,
Lynn, First,
" Central,
" Chestnut St.,
Peabody, Second, **South,**
" **West,**
Rockport, First,
" **Pigeon Cove,**

7. ESSEX SOUTH (*Continued*).

Danvers, First, **Centre,**
" Maple Street,
Essex,
Gloucester, **West,**
" Trinity,
" **Lanesville,**
" **Magnolia,**
Hamilton,
Lynn, North,
" *Scandinavian,*
Lynnfield, **Centre,**
" Second,
Manchester,
Marblehead,
Middleton,
Peabody, South,
Rockp't, *Swed.*, **P. Cove.**
Salem, Tabernacle,
" South,
" Crombie Street,
Saugus, First,
" **Cliftondale,**
Swampscott,
Topsfield,
Wenham.

Rev. T. FRANK WATERS, Ipswich, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Rev. ARTHUR J. COVELL, Lynn, *statistical scribe.*
Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in May and October.

8. FRANKLIN. — Organized, October 10, 1843.

Ashfield,
Bernardston,
Buckland,
Charlemont, First,
" **East,**
Colerain,
Conway,
Deerfield, **South,**
" Orthodox,
Erving,
Gill,
Greenfield, First,
" Second,
Hawley, East,
" **West,**
Heath,
Leverett, **Moore's Cor's,**
Montague, First,
" **Miller's Falls,**
" **Turner's Falls,**
Northfield, **East,**
Orange, Central,
" *Swedish,*
Shelburne, First,
" **Falls,**
Shutesbury,
Sunderland,
Warwick,
Wendell,
Whately.

Rev. EDWARD P. BUTLER, Sunderland, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the second Wednesday and Thursday in September.

9. HAMPDEN. — Organized, December 4, 1850.

Agawam, **Feeding Hills,**
" Second,
Blandford, First,
" Second,
Chester, First,
" Second,
Chicopee, First,
" Second, **Falls,**
" Third,
East Longmeadow,
Granville, **East,**
" **West,**
Hampden,
Huntington, Second,
Longmeadow,
Ludlow, **Centre,**
" Union,
Monson,
Palmer, **Thorndike,**
" Second,
" **Three Rivers,**
South Hadley Falls,
Southwick,
Springfield, First,
" Olivet,
" South,
Springfield, *French,*
" Eastern Av.,
" Emmanuel,
" Park,
" St. John's,
" *Swedish,*
" Faith,
Tolland,
Westfield, First,
" Second,
West Springfield, First,
" " Mittineague,
" " Park Street,

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Holyoke, First,	Springfield, North,	Wilbraham, Centre,
" Second,	" **Indian O'd.**	" **North.**
" *French*,	" Hope,	

Rev. COLLINS G. BURNHAM, Chicopee, *scribe*.
FRANK P. SEARLE, Westfield, *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the last Tuesday in October; semi-annual meeting in April.

10. HAMPSHIRE. — Organized, February, 1865.

Chesterfield,	Hatfield,	Southampton,
Cummington,	Huntington, 1st, **Norw'h.**	Westhampton,
" **West,**	Northampton, First,	Williamsburg,
Easthampton, First,	" Edwards,	" **Haydenville.**
" Payson,	" **Florence,**	Worthington.
Goshen,	Plainfield,	

W. M. PURINGTON, Haydenville, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Rev. JOHN PIERPONT, Williamsburg, *statistical secretary*.
Conference meets in the spring and fall at the call of the executive committee.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST. — Organized, December 13, 1860.

Amherst, First,	Enfield,	Leverett,
" Second,	Granby,	Pelham, First,
" College,	Greenwich,	" Pack'dville, **Enf'd.**
" **North,**	Hadley, First,	Prescott,
" **South,**	" Second, **North,**	South Hadley.
Belchertown,		

Deacon M. B. KINGMAN, Amherst, *registrar* and *treasurer*.
Rev. GEORGE E. FISHER, North Amherst, *statistical secretary*.
Semi-annual meeting on the last Tuesday in April; annual meeting on the third Tuesday in October.

12. MENDÓN. — Organized, April 12, 1858.

Foxboro,	Medway, Second, **West,**	Millis,
Franklin,	" Village,	Norfolk,
Mansfield,	" Third, **West,**	Walpole,
Medfield,	Milford,	Wrentham.

Rev. ISAIAH W. SNEATH, Franklin, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH. — Organized, August 20, 1828.

Ashland,
Dover,
Framingham, Plymouth,
" **Saxonville,**
" **South,**
Holliston,
Hopkinton,
Hudson,
Lincoln,
Marlboro, First,
" *French,*
Maynard,
Natick, First,
" **South,**
Northboro,
Sherborn,
Southboro,
" **Southville,**
Sudbury, **South,**
Wayland,
Wellesley.

Rev. NICHOLAS VAN DER PYL, Holliston, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION. — Organized, May 8, 1853.

Acton, First,
" **South,**
Ashby,
Ayer,
Boxboro, **West Acton,**
Concord,
Dunstable,
Fitchburg, Calvinist,
" Rollstone,
" *German,*
" *Swedish,*
Groton, First,
" **West,**
Harvard,
Lancaster,
Leominster, Centre,
" **North,**
Littleton,
Lunenburg,
Pepperell,
Shirley,
Townsend,
Westford.

Rev. JOEL D. MILLER, Leominster, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Annual meeting third Wednesday in October; spring meeting in April.

15. NORFOLK. — Organized, June 14, 1827.

Abington, First,
" **North,**
Braintree, First,
" **South,**
Bridgewater,
" **Scotland,**
Brockton, First,
" South, **Ca'p'lo,**
" Porter,
" Waldo,
" Wendell Ave.,
" Lincoln,
Cohasset, Evangelical,
" Beechwood,
East Bridgewater,
Easton, **Centre,**
" *Swedish,* **North,**
Hingham, First,
" Beth'y, **Nan't,**
Holbrook,
Milton,
" **East,**
Quincy, Bethany,
" Washington St.,
Quincy, *Swedish,*
Randolph,
Rockland,
Sharon,
Stoughton,
Weymouth, First, **Hghts,**
" Old South, **South,**
" & Braintree, E.B.,
" Union, **South,**
" Pilgrim, **North,**
" **East,**
Whitman.

Rev. AUGUSTUS H. FULLER, Easton Centre, *scribe*.
Deacon SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS, Sharon, *treasurer*.
Rev. FRANK E. BUTLER, South Weymouth, *statistical secretary*.
Conference meets on the first Tuesday in May, and on the last Tuesday in September.

16. OLD COLONY. Organized, September 23, 1856.

Dartmouth, **South,**	Middleboro, First,	Rochester, **First,**
Edgartown,	" Central,	" **North,**
Fairhaven,	New Bedford, **Acushnet,**	" East, **W. Wareham,**
Marion,	" " North,	Wareham,
Mattapoisett,	" " Trinitar'n,	Westport,
		West Tisbury.

Rev. WILLIAM CARRUTHERS, Box 283, Holyoke, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Conference meets for a two days' session on the third Tuesday in April, and the last Tuesday in October.

17. PILGRIM. — Organized, April 27, 1830.

Carver, **North,**	Hanson,	Plymouth, Pilgrimage,
Duxbury,	Kingston,	" **Chiltonville,**
Halifax,	Marshfield, First,	Plympton,
Hanover, **West,**	" **Hills,**	Scituate.
" Four Corners,	Plymouth, **Manomet,**	

Rev. ERNEST M. BARTLETT, Kingston, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Rev. EDWARD D. DISBROW, West Hanover, *statistical secretary.*
Conference meets on the third Tuesdays in April, July and October.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH. — Organized, May 23, 1861.

Arlington, First,	Cambridge, North Ave.,	Revere, First,
" **Heights,**	" **Port,** Pilg'm,	" **Beachmont,**
Boston, First, **Charlest'n,**	" " Wood Memorial,	
" Winthrop, "	" " Hope,	Somerville, First,
" Maverick, **East,**	Chelsea, First,	" Broadway,
" Mount Vernon,	" Central,	" **West,**
" Seamen's,	" Third,	" Prospect Hill,
" Baker, **East,**	Everett, First,	" Winter Hill,
Cambridge, First,	" Courtland St.,	" Highlands,
" Prospect St.,	" Mystic Side,	Winthrop.

HARRY W. JEFFERS, Chelsea, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
W. H. HILLING, Somerville, *statistical scribe.*
Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in April and in October.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH. — Organized, May 23, 1861.

Boston, 2d, **Dorchester,**	Boston, Pilgrim, **Dorch.,**	Dedham,
" Union,	" Highland. **Rxby,**	Hyde Park, First,
" Phillips, **S. B.,**	" Walnut Av. "	" " **Clar'don Hills,**
" Village, **Dorch.,**	" Olivet,	Norwood,
" Eliot, **Roxbury,**	" Harvard, **Dorch.**	Quincy, **Atlantic,**

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH (*Continued*).

Boston, **West Roxbury,**	Boston, Central, **Dorch.**	Quincy, **Wollaston,**
" Central, **J'a P'n,**	" **Roslindale,**	" Park & Downs,
" Boylston, "	" St. Mark's,	East Walpole,
" Immanuel, **Rxby,**	Canton,	Westwood, **Islington.**
" Trinity, **Nepon't,**		

Rev. WILLIAM T. BEALE, Dorchester, *recording secretary.*
E. S. HATHAWAY, Hyde Park, *treasurer.*
HARRY G. DIXON, Neponset, *statistical secretary.*
Conference meets on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

20. SUFFOLK WEST. — Organized, November 17, 1873.

Belmont, **Waverley,**	Boston, *Norwegian,*	Newton, North,
" Plymouth,	" **Allston,**	" **Newtonville,**
Boston, Old South,	Brookline, Harvard,	" **Highlands,**
" Park Street,	" Leyden,	Waltham, First,
" Berkeley Te'ple,	Needham,	" *Swedish,*
" **Brighton,**	Newton, First, **Centre,**	Watertown,
" Central,	" Second, **West,**	Wellesley Hills,
" Shawmut,	" Eliot,	Weston.
" *Swedish,*	" **Auburndale,**	

Rev. HENRY E. OXNARD, Newton, *scribe.*
Rev. JOHN O. HAARVIG, Allston, *recording* and *statistical secretary.*
BENJAMIN F. DEWING, 11 Milford Street, Boston, *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in April and October.

21. TAUNTON. — Organized, Oct. 2, 1849.

Attleboro,	Freetown, **Assonet,**	Raynham, **North,**
Berkley,	Lakeville,	Rehoboth,
Dighton,	Middleboro, **North,**	Somerset,
Fall River, First,	North Attleboro, **Oldt'n,**	Taunton, West,
" " Central,	" " **Falls,**	" Trinitarian,
" " Fowler,	" " Trin'y,	" Winslow,
" " *French,*	Norton,	" **East,**
" " Broadway,	Raynham, First,	" Union.

Rev. FRANK L. LUCE, Taunton, *scribe.*
THOMAS CHEW, Box 460, Fall River, *treasurer.*
Conference holds two sessions annually, of one day each, in the spring and fall.

22. WOBURN. — Organized, Sept. 5, 1848.

Bedford,	Malden, **Linden,**	Stoneham,
Billerica,	Medford, Mystic,	Wakefield,
Burlington,	" **West,**	Wilmington,
Carlisle,	" Union,	Winchester,

22. WOBURN (*Continued*).

Hancock,	Melrose, First,	Woburn, First,
Lexington,	" **Highlands,**	" **North,**
Malden, First,	North Reading,	" *Scandinavian.*
" Maplewood,	Reading.	" **Montvale.**

Rev. ISAAC PIERSON, Medford, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the last Tuesdays in April and October.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL. — Organized, April 28, 1852.

Auburn,	Shrewsbury,	Worcester, Pilgrim,
Berlin,	Sterling,	" **Park,**
Boylston,	West Boylston,	" Covenant,
Clinton, First,	Worcester, First,	" Hope,
" *German,*	" Central,	" Lake View,
Holden,	" Union,	" Bethany,
Leicester,	" Summer St.,	" *Armenian.*
Oxford,	" Plymouth,	" Immanuel,
Paxton,	" Piedmont,	" *Swedish, 2d,*
Princeton,	" *Swedish, 1st,*	" Adams Sq.
Rutland,		

Rev. J. ADDISON SEIBERT, Worcester, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Rev. THOMAS E. BABB, Holden, *statistical secretary.*
Conference meets on the Tuesday following the second Monday in May, and on the Tuesday following the third Monday in October.

24. WORCESTER NORTH. — Organized, Nov. 24, 1827.

Ashburnham, First,	Orange, **North,**	Templeton, Trinitarian,
" North,	Petersham,	" **Baldwinsville,**
Athol,	Phillipston,	Westminster,
Gardner,	Royalston, First,	Winchendon, First,
Hubbardston,	" **South,**	" North.
New Salem,		

Rev. GUSTAVUS W. JONES, Winchendon, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Conference meets in October and May.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH. — Organized, June 17, 1828.

Blackstone, First,	Millbury, First,	Sutton,
" *Scand.*, **Millville,**	" Second,	Upton,
Douglas, First,	Northbridge, **Centre,**	Uxbridge,
" **East,**	" **Whitinsville,**	Webster,
Grafton, First,	" Rockdale,	Westboro.
" **Saundersville,**		

Rev. JOHN R. THURSTON, Whitinsville, *scribe.*
Deacon AMOS ARMSBY, Millbury, *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the fourth Thursdays in April and October.

THE ASSOCIATIONS OF MINISTERS

1. ANDOVER, Organized, July 5, 1763.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
S. Winchester Adriance,	'79, May 22.	'84, Dec. 2.	Winchester.	W. C.
George A. Andrews,	'99, June 14.	'99, Dec. 5.	Andover.	P. C.
Ernest L. Baker,	'94, Sept. 18.	'95, Feb. 26.	*Center Harbor, N. H.*	P.
Cecil F. P. Bancroft,	'67, May 1.	'90, Sept. 23.	Andover.	Prof.
Henry E. Barnes,	'62, May 28.	'94, Feb. 27.	North Andover.	P. C.
Ernest C. Bartlett,	'96, Mar. 12.	'96, Dec. 8.	Chelmsford.	P. C.
William A. Bartlett,	'86, Jan. 4.	'96, Feb. 23.	Lowell.	P. C.
James M. Blue,	'96, July 14.	'96, Sept. 29.	*Short Falls, N. H.*	P.
Francis H. Boynton,	'64, Oct. 20.	'89, May 28.	New Braintree.	P.
Park A. Bradford,	'79, July 30.	'94, Sept. 25.	Lowell.	W. C.
Charles C. Carpenter,	'60, May 9.	'91, May.	Andover.	W. C.
Clark Carter,	'68, Feb. 13,	'73, June 3.	Andover.	C. M.
Thomas G. A. Coté,	'71, April 9.	'82, April 11.	Lowell.	P.
George R. Dickinson,	'95, Oct. 9.	'96, Sept. 29.	*Zanesville, O.*	W. C.
Sarah A. Dixon,	'97, June 16.	'97, Dec. 7.	Tyngsboro.	P.
Robert W. Dunbar,	'99, Feb. 8.	'99, Feb. 28.	North Chelmsford.	P. C.
Hohannes B. Garabedian,	'88, Sept. 18.	'99, Dec. 5.	Lawrence.	M.
John M. Greene,	'57, Oct. 20.	'71, June 28.	Lowell.	P. C. Em.
Daniel W. Hardy,	'74, Oct. 20.	'95, Dec. 3.	Billerica.	P.
David P. Hatch,	'86, July 1.	'00, Feb. 27.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Edward Y. Hincks,	'70, Oct. 18.	'85, Dec. 15.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles W. Huntington,	'81, Sept. 6.	'88, June 5.	Lowell.	P. C.
Francis H. Johnson,	'61, Oct. 15.	'83, June 5.	Andover.	W. C.
George H. Johnson,	'77, July 6.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P. C.
George F. Kenngott,	'90, Oct. 8.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P. C.
David Kilburn,	'84, April 20.	'90, Sept. 23.	*Alleghany, Pa.*	W. C.
Willis D. Leland,	'80, Jan. 23.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	W. C.
Herbert G. Mank,	'89, Jan. 15.	'98, Dec. 6.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Charles P. Marshall,	'98, July 26.	'00, Dec. 4.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Selah Merrill,	'64, Nov. 1.	'74, Oct. 20.	*Jerusalem.*	W. C.
Charles L. Mitchell,	'71, June 28.	'84, June 19.	Winchester.	W. C.
George F. Moore,	'78, Feb. 2.	'95, May 28.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Lewis W. Morey,	'82, Sept. 6.	'93, Sept. 26.	Malden.	W. C.
Andrew P. Nelson,	'94, Mar. 1.	'98, Feb. 22.	Lowell.	P. C.
Charles H. Oliphant,	'76, July 12.	'84, Oct. 28.	Methuen.	P. C.
Frederick H. Page,	'93, Nov. 23.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
William G. Poor,	'85, May.	'01, May 14.	Lowell.	P.
Edward W. Pride,	'69, June 10.	'92, June.	Andover.	W. C.
John P. Richardson,	'80, May 4.	'99, Dec. 5.	Dracut.	P.
William H. Ryder,	'69, Dec. 14.	'88, Dec. 4.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Hovhannes K. Santikian,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Dec. 7.	Cambridgeport.	M.
Frank R. Shipman,	'93, Dec. 27.	'94, June 5.	Andover.	P. C.

1. ANDOVER (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
John Phelps Taylor,	'68, Nov. 12.	'85, Nov. 3.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles C. Torrey,	'99, May 15.	'99, May 29.	*New Haven, Ct.*	Prof.
Charles C. Torrey,	'55, Sept. 7.	'00, May 22.	Andover.	W. C.
Franke A. Warfield,	'71, June 10.	'99, Feb. 28.	Lowell.	P. C.
Charles H. Willcox,	'84, Nov. 6.	'84, Dec. 2.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Frederick A. Wilson,	'82, Oct. 6.	'90, April 8.	Andover.	P. C.
William E. Wolcott,	'81, Sept. 21.	'82, Feb. 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Frank E. Woodruff,	'83, Sept. 6.	'85, Nov. 3.	*Brunswick, Me.*	Prof.
J. Herbert Yeoman,	'77, Jan. 25.	'00, Dec. 4.	Tewksbury.	P.

Licentiates.— Licensed, May 22, 1900, for two years: Henry J. Bennett, Andover, Mass.; Edward Carey, Princeton, Ill.; George Haines, Paterson, N. J.; William M. McNair, Providence, R. I.; Lucius F. Reed, Weeping Water, Neb.; Fred P. Ensminger, Sanford, Fla.; February 26, 1901 (for two years): J. H. Bennett, Crete, Neb.; Arthur E. Hartwell, Dunstable, Mass.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesday in December, and fourth Tuesdays in February, May and September.

Rev. Robert W. Dunbar, North Chelmsford, scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

George W. Andrews,	'82, June 7.	'84, Dec. 1.	Dalton.	P.
Lewis P. Atwood,	'55, Apr. 12.	'00, June 26.	Pittsfield.	W. C.
John Bascom,	'59, Dec. 18.	'61, Jan. 28.	Williamstown.	W. C.
George A. Beckwith,	'62, May 26.	'99, Oct. 17.	*Saratoga Spgs, N. Y.*	W. C.
Henry M. Bowden,	'86, June 30.	'99, June 13.	Middlefield.	P.
Raymond Calkins,	'96, Oct. 19.	'98 Mar. 8.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
Edson L. Clark,	'59, Nov. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Dalton.	W. C.
Silas P. Cook,	'70, Mar. 23.	'00, Nov. 22.	Pittsfield.	Co. Miss.
William V. W. Davis,	'77, Sept. 12.	'93, Dec. 19.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
John H. Denison,	'70, Jan. 30.	'85, Sept. 16.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Charles O. Eames,	'97, Dec. 14.	'99, Jan. 30.	*Rochester, N. Y.*	P.
Nathaniel H. Egleston,	'45, Feb. 19.	'77, Dec. 3.	Boston.	W. C.
Edward H. Griffin,	'68, Feb. 6.	'73, Dec. 1.	*Baltimore, Md.*	Dean Coll.
Alpheus C. Hodges,	'81, Nov. 16.	'00, June 26.	*Canaan Four Cor. N. Y.*	P.
Owen James,	'94, Sept. 16.	'00, Nov. 22.	Lanesboro.	P.
James H. Laird,	'64, Dec. 21.	'85, Sept. 16.	Hinsdale.	P. C.
T. Claire Luce,	'85, Dec. 2.	'90, Dec. 2.	Richmond.	P. C.
Alford B. Penniman,	'83, Apr. 10.	'94, June 12.	Adams.	P. C.
Albert H. Plumb, Jr.,	'99, May 11.	'00, June 26.	Peru.	P.
James C. Seagrave,	'51, Dec. 1.	'87, Dec. 6.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
Isaac C. Smart,	'85, June 9.	'85, Sept. 16.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
George Sterling,	'74, Dec. 8.	'99, Jan. 30.	Windsor.	P.
William L. Tenney,	'88, Sept. 20.	'95, Dec. 20.	North Adams.	P. C.

Licentiate. — Garrett V. Stryker, Williamstown.

STATED MEETINGS. — In March, June, September and December.

Rev. Henry M. Bowden, Middlefield, scribe and treasurer.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Arthur J. Benedict,	'75, May 25.	'93, Jan. 31.	South Natick.	P.
Leon D. Bliss,	'89, Oct. 31.	'96, Oct. 27.	Great Barrington.	P. C.
Walter W. Curtis,	'72, Mar. 20.	'83, Oct. 29.	West Stockbridge.	P.
John Dooley,	'72, May 6.	'98, April 26.	Monterey.	P.
Edwin C. Gillette,	'98, Oct. 7.	'98, Nov. 1.	Southfield.	P.
Samuel Hopley,	'55, Sept. 19.	'90, Jan. 28.	Lee.	W. C.
John B. Lewis,	'95, Sept. 25.	'97, Oct. 26.	Mill River.	P.
Stephen T. Livingston,	'91, July 8.	'91, Nov. 10.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Frederick Lynch,	'99, Mar. 27.	'99, Jan. 31.	Lenox.	P.
R. DeWitt Mallary,	'76, Oct. 12.	'80, July 12.	Housatonic.	P.
Evarts W. Pond,	'95, May 2.	'97, Oct. 26.	Sheffield.	P. C.
Charles S. Rich,	'96, Sept. 29.	'96, Oct. 27.	Stockbridge.	P. C.
Lyman S. Rowland,	'64, Nov. 16.	'77, Oct. 29.	Lee.	P. C.
George T. Washburn,	'59, Mar. 22.	'59, July 25.	*India.*	A. B. C. F. M.

Licentiate. — Edward J. Ruliffson, West Wareham, licensed, Jan. 31, 1899, for four years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, April, July and October.

Rev. Leon D. Bliss, Great Barrington, scribe and treasurer.

4. BROOKFIELD, Organized, June 22, 1757.

The Brookfield Association has ceased to report its members, having transferred that function to the Brookfield Conference, which names the following ministerial members: —

Austin B. Bassett,	'87, Sept. 15	'00, May 8.	Ware.	P. C.
Oscar Bissell,	'56, May 14.	"	Brimfield.	W. C.
Edward B. Blanchard,	'92, June 29.	"	Brookfield.	P. C.
Allen A. Bronsdon,	'97, Dec. 2.	"	Oakham.	P. C.
Benson M. Frink,	'63, Jan. 9.	"	West Brookfield.	W. C.
Sereno D. Gammell,	'68, Sept. 9.	"	North Brookfield.	W. C.
Joseph F. Gaylord,	'67, Nov. 7.	"	Barre.	P. C.
J. Howard Gaylord,	'99, Nov. 21.	"	West Brookfield.	P. C.
Silvanus Hayward,	'61, Oct. 9.	"	Globe Village.	P. C.
George O. Jenness,	'61, Feb. 8.	"	Charlton.	P.
James G. Knotter,	'96, Apr. 21.	"	Ware.	P.
William B. Oleson,	'77, Dec. 4.	"	Warren.	P. C.
Harlan Page,	'83, Feb. 6.	"	Hardwick.	P.
Augustus M. Rice,	'73, Dec. 17.	"	Sturbridge.	P.
John L. Sewall,	'82, July 19.	"	North Brookfield.	P. C.
Dwight C. Stone,	'88, May 22.	"	*Chester, Ct.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, April, July and October.

Rev. J. Howard Gaylord, West Brookfield, scribe.

5. CAPE COD (BARNSTABLE, 1792; BREWSTER, 1832; VINEYARD SOUND, 1836), Organized by union, October 16, 1866.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	'63, Feb. 17.	'82, Jan. 31.	Hyannis.	W. C.
Charles A. Breck,	'94, Sept. 25.	'97, Aug. 4.	Cotuit.	P.
Henry K. Craig,	'55, Jan. 24.	'73, April 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
Sidney Crawford,	'70, Dec. 8.	'01, Jan. 15.	Provincetown.	P.
Ernest W. Eldridge,	'93, April.	'00, May 6.	Montague.	P.
Fred. K. Ellsworth,	'98, June 2.	'00, Oct. 23.	Sandwich.	P.
Washington H. Forbes,	'81, July 1.	'00, Oct. 23.	South Dennis.	P.
Edward T. Ford,	'97, May 25.	'97, Oct. 19.	*Tacoma, Wn.*	P.
Edgar B. French,	'97, Sept. 7.	'97, Oct. 19.	West Barnstable.	P.
John W. Hayley,	'64, Sept. 23.	'95, Jan. 15.	Lowell.	W. C.
Joseph B. Long,	'90, July 25.	'00, Oct. 23.	Woods Hole.	P.
Sampson Nicholls,	'78, Aug. 1.	'01, Jan. 15.	Harwichport.	P.
John H. Quint,	'98, May 18.	'01, Jan. 15.	Falmouth.	P. C.
E. Irving Rackett,	'94, May 9.	'94, July 17.	East Orleans.	P. C.
John T. Rea,	'73, Aug. 8.	'79, Jan. 28.	*Exeter, N. H.*	W. C.
Daniel W. Richardson,	'62, Aug. 14.	'96, Aug. 4.	*Ossipee Centre, N.H.*	W.C.
Ezra J. Riggs,	'79, July 10.	'91, Nov. 10.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
Ezra N. Smith,	'72, June 12.	'92, April 19.	North Falmouth.	P.
Rufus B. Tobey,	'80, Nov. 30.	'81, Jan. 25.	Boston.	W. C.
John J. Walker,	'94, Dec. 11.	'97, April 20.	Yarmouth.	P. C.
Bartlett H. Weston,	'90, May 29.	'99, Aug. 8.	Centerville.	P.
Edgar C. Wheeler,	'96, Sept. 22.	'00, April 17.	Hyannis.	P.
Chas. H. Whitney,	'71, Aug. 31.	'72, Jan. 16.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William H. Woodwell,	'73, June 12,	'89, June 11.	*Washington, D. C.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, April, July and October. Rev. Edgar B. French, West Barnstable, scribe.

6. ESSEX NORTH, Organized, September 6, 1761.

Frank G. Alger,	'86, July 22.	'98, Dec. 20.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Charles L. Charron,	'98, June 22.	'00, Oct. 16.	Haverhill.	P.
George W. Christie,	'73, Dec. 11.	'93, Feb. 21.	Amesbury.	P.
Calvin M. Clark,	'90, Dec. 30.	'93, Dec. 19.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles Clark,	'94, Dec. 12.	'98, April 26.	Ward Hill.	P. C.
Charles F. Clarke,	'92, Dec. 7.	'98, April 26.	Groveland.	P.
Chalmer H. Coolidge,	'83, May 24.	'98, Dec. 20.	*South Woodbury, Vt.*	P.
F. Lincoln Davis,	'93, Nov. 8.	'94, April 17.	New Bedford.	P.
James D. Dingwell,	'95, July 12.	'00, Dec. 18.	Amesbury.	P. C.
Leonard Dodd,	'78, May 5.	'99, Oct. 17.	*Atkinson Depot, N. H.*	P.
John W. Dodge,	'60, Dec. 6.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Frank P. Estabrook,	'93, Feb.	'00, Dec. 18.	Georgetown.	P. C.
Daniel T. Fiske,	'47, Aug. 18.	'47, Dec. 29.	Newburyport.	P. C. Em.
David Fraser,	'95, Dec. 5.	'98, Oct. 17.	Rowley.	P. C.
George L. Gleason,	'66, Feb. 1.	'84, May 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles S. Holton,	'92, Nov. 30.	'97, Dec. 21.	Newbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Hubbard,	'68, Sept. 2.	'80, April 20.	West Boxford.	P. C.

6. ESSEX NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Joseph Kimball,	'83, June 15.	'86, April 20.	*Hampton Falls, N. H.*	P.
John D. Kingsbury,	'56, Sept. 24.	'66, Oct. 17.	Bradford.	P. C. Em.
Charles E. Lord,	'44, May 8.	'90, Dec. 16.	Newburyport.	W. C.
John N. Lowell,	'77, Nov. 21.	'81, Feb. 21.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles P. Mills,	'80, Sept. 23.	'80, Dec. 21.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Vincent Moses,	'87, Oct. 2.	'92, Dec. 20.	*South Granville, N. Y.*	P.
Albert F. Newton,	'77, Sept. 5.	'98, Dec. 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Edwin B. Palmer,	'59, Sept. 20.	'76, June 20.	Winchester.	Tr. H.M. Soc.
Manasseh G. Papazian,	'90, May 28.	'90, Oct. 21.	*Aintab.*	Prof.
Myron O. Patton,	'94, May 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Eugene L. Raiche,	'97, Oct. 19.	'98, Feb. 15.	Boston.	W. C.
George L. Richmond,	'87, Oct. 10.	'90, April 15.	*East Orange, N. J.*	W. C.
Francis W. Sanborn,	'78, Dec. 18.	'85, Dec. 16.	Marblehead.	W. C.
George H. Scott,	'73, Sept. 8.	'88, Feb. 21.	*Atkinson, N. H.*	P.
Elmer E. Shoemaker,	'94, Feb. 27.	'01, April 16.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Egbert C. Smyth,	'56, July 23.	'67, April 19.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
George L. Todd,	'87, April 13.	'93, April 18.	*Havana, Cuba.*	P.
David C. Torrey,	'92, June 1.	'92, Dec. 20.	Byfield.	P. C.
C. Julian Tuthill,	'94, May 1.	'95, Dec. 17.	Georgetown.	P.

Licentiate. — Prof. Isaac N. Carleton, Bradford, licensed, April 19, 1887, renewed April 16, 1901, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, June, October and December.

Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Haverhill, scribe.

7. ESSEX SOUTH AND SALEM (ESSEX SOUTH, September 3, 1717; SALEM, October 15, 1840), Organized by union, December 1, 1885.

Harry C. Adams,	'89, Oct. 22,	'98, Jan. 11.	Danvers.	P. C.
Israel Ainsworth,	'80, April 11.	'89, May 14.	Rockport.	P. C.
William P. Alcott,	'68, Feb. 18.	'81, Sept. 13.	Boxford (Linebrook).	P. C.
Walter H. Ashley,	'78, Mar. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Manchester.	P.
S. Linton Bell,	'76, Jan. 5.	'81, April 1.	Marblehead.	P. C.
Emery L. Bradford,	'92, July 1.	'94, Jan. 9.	Boxford.	P. C.
James F. Brodie,	'82, Feb. 21.	'89, Nov. 12.	Salem.	P. C.
John W. Buckham,	'88, Aug. 9.	'91, Jan. 13.	Salem.	P. C.
Daniel E. Burtner,	'90, Sept. 25.	'98, Sept. 13.	Swampscott.	P. C.
Edwin H. Byington,	'87, May 26.	'00, Nov. 13.	Beverly.	P. C.
DeWitt S. Clark,	'68, Nov. 11.	'79, June 2.	Salem.	P. C.
Edward Constant,	'83, Aug. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Ipswich.	P.
Arthur J. Covell,	'90, Oct. 21.	'98, Nov. 8.	Lynn.	P. C.
Daniel L. Crafts,	'76, July 19.	'99, Mar. 14.	Lynn.	W. C.
Temple Cutler,	'61, Feb. 20.	'86, Sept. 26.	West Gloucester.	P.
Hugh Elder,	'68, Jan. 29.	'68, April 7.	*Fowes, Scotland.*	P.
Edward C. Ewing,	'63, Nov. 5.	'83, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	W. C.
George E. Freeman,	'58, Oct. 6.	'96, Mar. 10.	Boston.	W. C.
Curtis M. Geer,	'90, June 25.	'95, Mar. 12.	*Lewiston, Me.*	W. C.

7. ESSEX SOUTH AND SALEM (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Membership.
Leslie C. Greeley,	'98, Dec. 20.	'99, Sept. 12.	Middleton.	P.
Willis A. Hadley,	'78, Aug. 21.	'94, May 9.	Southbridge.	P. C.
George A. Hall,	'86, April 13.	'86, Dec. 1.	Peabody.	P. C.
Owen E. Hardy,	'94, Oct. 2.	'00, Mar. 13.	West Peabody.	P.
Chauncey J. Hawkins,	'99, May 19.	'00, Sept. 11.	Danvers.	P. C.
Rufus P. Hibbard,	'68, Aug. 4.	'88, Sept. 11.	Gloucester.	P. C.
George A. Jackson,	'72, Sept. 26.	'79, Jan. 14.	Swampscott.	W. C.
John A. Johnson,	'92, Aug. 6.	'95, Mar. 12.	Lynn.	P. C.
Frederic I. Kelley,	'89, Dec. 30.	'90, Mar. 11.	Dracut.	P. C.
John C. Labaree,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, Nov. 10.	Saugus.	P.
Warren P. Landers,	'91, Dec. 2.	'92, Mar. 8.	Somerville.	Journalist.
Frank A. Lindholm,	'98, Oct. 6.	'00, Jan. 9.	*Danbury, Conn.*	P.
Carl A. Lundgren,	'93, Aug. 17.	'94, May 9.	Waltham.	P.
William C. Merrill,	'84, May 17.	'97, Nov. 9.	Lynn.	P.
Albert W. Moore,	'73, Jan. 22.	'84, Mar. 11.	Lynn.	W. C.
Jesse G. Nichols,	'94, Sept. 13.	'95, Jan. 8.	Hamilton.	P. C.
George W. Osgood,	'78, Jan. 26.	'96, May 26.	Lynn.	W. C.
Albert B. Peabody,	'60, May 24.	'98, Nov. 8.	East Boxford.	W. C.
Arthur H. Pingree,	'98, Nov. 16.	'99, Mar. 14.	Pigeon Cove.	P.
Aaron Porter,	'60, Nov. 20.	'88, Sept. 11.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank H. Reed,	'86, June 24.	'86, Dec. 1.	Lanesville.	P. C.
Charles B. Rice,	'59, Dec. 7.	'64, May 1.	Danvers.	Secretary.
Edward F. Sanderson,	'99, June 27.	'99, Mar. 14,	Beverly.	P. C.
Jotham B. Sewall,	'55, Feb. 28.	'95, Mar. 12.	Boston.	W. C.
J. Henry Thayer,	'59, Dec. 29.	'60, Mar. 6.	Cambridge.	Prof.
Lewis J. Thomas,	'78, June 18.	'98, Sept. 13.	South Peabody.	P.
W. Sherman Thompson,	'91, Oct. 14.	'97, Mar. 9.	Cliftondale.	P. C.
Morris H. Turk,	'98, Sept. 22.	'00, Jan. 9.	Wenham.	P.
Arthur N. Ward,	'79, Feb. 25.	'92, Jan. 12.	Somerville.	W. C.
T. Frank Waters,	'76, Oct. 23.	'79, Feb. 4.	Ipswich.	P. C.
Charles C. Watson,	'67, July 2.	'94, Jan. 9.	Lynn.	W. C.
Will C. Wood,	'68, Oct. 15.	'69, Jan. 12.	Boston.	W. C.
Herbert J. Wyckoff,	'98, Sept. 15.	'00, Sept. 11.	Topsfield.	P. C.

Licentiate. — Markham W. Stackpole, Magnolia, Nov. 13, 1900, for one year.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, March, May, September and November.

Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, scribe.

8. FRANKLIN, Organized, September 20, 1803.

G. Glenn Atkins,	'95, Jan. 2.	'95, Feb. 12.	*Burlington, Vt.*	P.
William A. Bacon,	'95, Oct. 1.	'00, Feb. 13.	Shelburne Falls.	P. C.
Charles E. Beals,	'94, April 8.	'01, Feb. 12.	Greenfield.	P. C.
Edgar F. Blanchard,	'94, Nov. 15.	'96, Feb. 11.	*East Poultney, Vt.*	P.
Edward P. Butler,	'74, Oct. 20.	'90, June 12.	Sunderland.	P. C.
Christopher W. Collier,	'94, Jan. 3.	'99, Nov. 14.	Orange.	P. C.
Charles M. Crooks,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Sept. 14.	Colerain.	P.

8. FRANKLIN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
George L. Dickinson,	'76, Sept. 20.	'92, April 11.	East Northfield.	W. C.
William H. Dowden,	'63, Nov. —	'01, Feb. 12.	Gill.	P.
Joseph A. Goodrich,	'96, Sept. 9.	'96, Sept. 15.	Shelburne.	P.
Edward O. Grisbrook,	'93, May 17.	'98, Nov. 8.	South Deerfield.	P.
Horace F. Hallett,	'91, July 10.	'99, Nov. 14.	Ashfield.	P.
William Harris,	'76, June 10.	'00, May 8.	Warwick.	P.
Dorr A. Hudson,	'91, Sept. 9.	'94, May 8.	Miller's Falls.	P.
Eugene F. Hunt,	'84, Nov. 18.	'96, Sept. 15.	Conway.	P.
Thomas C. Kinne,	'75, June 28.	'93, Dec. 12.	Montague.	W. C.
Frank N. Merriam,	'92, Feb. 24.	'98, Sept. 13.	Turner's Falls.	P. C.
Horace E. Morrow,	'86, May 11.	'00, May 8.	Deerfield.	P.
John A. Pogue,	'96, Jan. 28.	'96, May 12.	Erving.	P.
Martin L. Richardson,	'61, Mar. 7.	'98, Nov. 8.	Montague.	W. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	'59, Oct. 25.	'99, Sept. 12.	West Hawley.	P.
Edward A. Robinson,	'83, July 11.	'98, Sept. 13.	Buckland.	P.
Theophilus H. Root,	'92, Sept. 9.	'00.	*Alton, R. I.*	P.
C. Ingerson Scofield,	'83, Oct. 18.	'00, May 8.	East Northfield.	P.
Edward P. Seymour,	'92, Oct. 25.	'97, Sept. 14.	Wendell.	P.
Ira A. Smith,	'82, Sept. 27.	'88, Feb. 4.	*Holden, Me.*	P.
Frank R. Snowden,	'97, Sept. 22.	'98, Nov. 8.	Heath.	P.
Hohannes T. Torosyan,	'99, June 1.	'99, Sept. 12.	Hawley.	P.
Carey H. Watson,	'91, Dec. 30.	'93, July 5.	Greenfield.	P.
Joseph Wheelwright,	'98, Aug. 29.	'01, Feb. 12.	Greenfield.	W. C.
Lyman Whiting,	'43, Jan. 11.	'90, May 13.	East Charlemont.	P.

Licentiate. — John C. Wightman, Northfield, renewed Feb. 20, 1899, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Annual, second Tuesday in May. Other meetings, second Tuesdays in September, November, and February.

Rev. Charles M. Crooks, Colerain, scribe.

9. HAMPDEN (HAMPDEN WEST, June 11, 1844; HAMPDEN EAST, June 12, 1844), Organized by Union, February 13, 1894.

Simeon O. Allen,	'70, Dec. 1.	'91, Feb. 10.	West Springfield.	W. C.
Samuel B. Andrews,	'68, June 20.	'98, April 12.	*Salem, Ct.*	P.
William G. Ballantine,	'80, Aug. 20.	'00, Feb. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Stephen G. Barnes,	'81, April 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	*Nashville, Tenn.*	Teacher.
Harlan P. Beach,	'83, July 19.	'93, Feb. 14.	*Montclair, N. J.*	Teacher.
Henry J. Bruce,	'62, Sept. 11.	'62, Nov. 11.	*Satara, India,*	A.B.C.F.M.
Collins G. Burnham,	'79, Dec. 10.	'89, May 14.	Chicopee.	P. C.
Hanford M. Burr,	'88, Oct. 24.	'90, May 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gardner S. Butler,	'77, Jan. 7,	'99, Feb. 21.	*Union, N. H.*	W. C.
Luther H. Cone,	'55, April 5.	'60, Feb. 7.	*New Haven, Ct.*	P. C. Em.
Lyndon S. Crawford,	'79, Aug. 20.		Southwick.	P.
Allen E. Cross,	'92, Dec. 29.	'97, Nov. 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward Day,	'86, Sept. 18.	'99, Feb. 21.	Bernardston.	P.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Henry A. Dickinson,	'63, Oct. 16.	'68, Feb. 11.	Huntington.	W. C.
Myron S. Dudley,	'71, Sept. 28.	'87, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
Aaron W. Field,	'72, Nov. 13.	'81, Feb. 8.	New Marlboro.	W. C.
G. Walter Fiske,	'98, Oct. 25.	'99, Feb. 21.	South Hadley Falls.	P. C.
Albert E. Fitch,	'96, Nov. 11.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Rensselaer, N. Y.*	P.
Everett D. Francis,	'95, Nov. 20.	'97, Feb. 9.	Ludlow.	P. C.
Frank L. Garfield,	'93, Feb. 21.	'93, April 11.	Feeding Hills.	P. C.
Lewis F. Giroux,	'89, April 17.	'89, Nov. 12.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Frank L. Goodspeed,	'87, June 29.	'95, April 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edwin H. Hadlock,	'93, April 23.	'00, June 26.	Springfield.	P. C.
Newton M. Hall,	'91, July 8.	'00, Feb. 13.	Springfield.	P. C.
Fosdick B. Harrison,	'94, June 13.	'99, July 11.	Palmer.	P. C.
Franklin S. Hatch,	'76, May 7.	'89, Feb. 12.	*Madras, India.*	Y.P.S.C.E.
Winfield S. Hawkes,	'68, Nov. 12.	'00, April 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Theron H. Hawks,	'55, Mar. 5.	'88, July 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Timothy A. Hazen,	'54, Oct. 11.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Martin S. Howard,	'56, Nov. 20.	'69, Feb. 2.	Wilbraham.	P. C.
George H. Hubbard,	'84, Sept. 13.	'97, July 13.	Enfield.	P. C.
William T. Hutchins,	'76, Dec. 20.	'92, Nov. 7.	Indian Orchard.	W. C.
David L. Kebbe,	'91, June 17.	'91, July 14.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edward H. Knight,	'83, July 25.	'83, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gerald Stanley Lee,	'88, Oct. 23.	'95, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	W. C.
Samuel H. Lee,	'62, Sept. 17.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	Pres. Coll.
John H. Lockwood,	'71, Nov. 5.	'79, Nov. 11.	Westfield.	P. C.
Clarence C. Lyon,	'90, Dec. 17.	'94, Nov. 13.	*Plainfield, Ct.*	W. C.
Samuel V. McDuffie,	'69, May 12.	'00, June 26.	Springfield.	W. C.
Harry C. McKnight,	'85, Oct. 7.	'98, July 12.	East Longmeadow.	P.
Henry C. Meserve,	'94, Mar. 14.	'94, Nov. 13.	*Indianapolis, Ind.*	P. C.
Philip S. Moxom,	'71, Sept. 19.	'96, Feb. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Egbert N. Munroe,	'81, May 4.	'89, Nov. 12.	Wellfleet.	P.
Charles Olmstead,	'83, Sept. 27.	'99, July 11.	Three Rivers.	P.
Charles Pease,	'96, Oct. 20.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Long Beach, Cal.*	W. C.
Harvey G. Pillsbury,	'82, Sept. 28.	'95, July 9.	Chicopee Falls.	P. C.
Paul H. Pitkin,	'66, Sept. 11.	'82, May 9.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Abram J. Quick,	'64, Mar. 7.	'91, Nov. 10.	*Baltimore, Md.*	W. C.
David A. Reed,	'81, June 7.	'81, June 12.	Springfield.	Pres. S.C.W.
Edward A. Reed,	'71, June 14.	'88, Feb. 14.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Franklin P. Reinhold,	'98, July 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	Holyoke.	W. C.
Walter Rice,	'65, July 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Agawam.	P. C.
James B. Sargent,	'97, Sept. 15.	'98, April 12.	Thorndike.	P. C.
Alpheus M. Spangler,	'88, June 22.	'88, Nov. 13.	Mittineague.	P. C.
Frank M. Sprague,	'75, Sept. 22.	'82, May 9.	*Tampa, Fla.*	P.
Thomas S. St. Aubin,	'93, Oct. 1.	'98, Feb. 8.	Springfield.	P. C.
Wallace H. Stearns,	'97, July 14.	'99, Feb. 21.	Blackstone.	P.
William J. Tate,	'92, Nov. 16.	'93, April 11.	*Higganum, Ct.*	P.
John L. R. Trask,	'67, Dec. 4.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
James Tufts,	'44, Sept. 23.	'54, Feb. 2.	Monson.	W. C.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Rufus S. Underwood,	'67, Nov. 19.	'98, Feb. 8.	Longmeadow.	Evan.
Josiah G. Willis,	'76, Oct. 10.	'88, Nov. 13.	Holland.	P.
George W. Winch,	'75, Oct. 6.	'91, Nov. 10.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Herbert P. Woodin,	'92, June 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	Chicopee.	P.
Samuel H. Woodrow,	'88, Aug. 30.	'99, April 11.	Springfield.	P. C.

Licentiate. — James C. Greenough, Westfield, licensed July, 1897, for four years.

STATED MEETINGS. — In Springfield, second Tuesdays in February, April, July and November.

Rev. Collins G. Burnham, Chicopee, scribe.

10. HAMPSHIRE, Organized before 1735.

Melvin J. Allen,	'82, Nov. 8.	'01, Feb. 12.	Worthington.	P.
John E. Bowman,	'95, Feb. 14.	'97, June 8.	*South Killingly, Ct.*	P.
George H. Buck,	'94, July 5.	'94, Oct. 16.	*Crown Point, N. Y.*	P.
Solomon Clark,	'41, June 13.	'61, Aug. 6.	*Chicago, Ill.*	W. C.
Elisha G. Cobb,	'60, June 20.	'67, Feb. 5.	Florence.	P. C.
John Cowan,	'75, May 25.	'98, Feb. 8.	Southampton.	P.
Harlan Creelman,	'89, Sept. 17.	'90, Feb. 11.	*Montreal, Can.*	Prof.
Henry L. Edwards,	'57, July 12.	'85, Feb. 17.	Northampton.	W. C.
Charles H. Hamlin,	'76, Sept. 19.	'85, Oct. 27.	Easthampton.	P. C.
Calvin Keyser,	'75, Dec. 28.	'99, Feb. 21.	Goshen.	P. C.
Wm. J. Parmelee, M. D.,	'84, Feb. 26.	'92, Feb. 2.	Worthington.	W. C.
Cyrus Pickett,	'67, Feb. 28.	'96, Oct. 20.	Northampton.	W. C.
John Pierpont,	'88, July 26.	'98, June 7.	Williamsburg.	P. C.
Harvey Porter,	'80, Aug. 3.	'80, June 1.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Prof. Coll.
Wilbur Rand,	'83, May 9.	'95, June 11.	*Bangor, N. Y.*	P.
Lewis T. Reed,	'99, Aug. 23.	'00, Dec. 11.	Cummington.	P.
Henry T. Rose,	'70, May 29.	'95, Feb. 5.	Northampton.	P. C.
Joseph H. Sawyer,	'88, Sept. 3.	'80, June 1.	Easthampton.	Prof.
William C. Scofield,	'51, Oct. 15.	'95, June 11.	Westhampton.	P.
L. Clark Seelye,	'63, Jan. 20.	'75, Feb. 2.	Northampton.	Pres. Coll.
Samuel T. Seelye,	'46, June 17.	'64, Feb. 2.	Easthampton.	W. C.
Henry H. Smith,	'73, Sept. 7.	'94, June 5.	Huntington.	W. C.
Henry P. Smith,	'75, June 8.	'99, Feb. 21.	Amherst.	P.
Hanson E. Thygeson,	'87, Nov. 2.	'95, Oct. 29.	Chesterfield.	P.
Henry M. Tyler,	'72, May 6.	'84, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	Prof.
George N. Webber,	'55, Dec. 5.	'90, Oct. 28.	Northampton.	W. C.
Irving F. Wood,	'94, Mar. 6.	'96, June 2.	Northampton.	Prof. Coll.
Sumner G. Wood,	'80, Dec. 30.	'89, Feb. 9.	Blandford.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesday in February, first Tuesday in June, fourth Tuesday in September, and second Tuesday in December.

Rev. Elisha G. Cobb, Florence, scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST, Organized, November 16, 1841.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Robert C. Bell,	'69, Nov. 3.	'92, Dec. 6.	Granby.	P.
Daniel Bliss,	'55, Oct. 31.	'74, Sept. 22.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Pres. Coll.
William E. Dickinson,	'60, Dec. 19.	'97, Feb. 3.	Amherst.	W. C.
Henry Fairbank,	'86, May 27.	'85, May 26.	*Ahmednagar, India.*	F. M.
George E. Fisher,	'50, Feb. 27.	'67, Dec. 17.	North Amherst.	W. C.
Eber W. Gaylord,	'73, May 13.	'90, Dec. 2.	North Amherst.	P. C.
John F. Gleason,	'73, Jan. 7.	'95, May 28.	South Amherst.	P.
Edwin A. Grosvenor,	'72, July 30.	'96, Feb. 4.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
Chester W. Hawley,	'61, May 2.	'99, Feb. 7.	Amherst.	P.
William D. Herrick,	'60, Jan. 18.	'84, Sept. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Edward E. Keedy,	'94, Oct. 16.	'94, Dec. 4.	Hadley.	P.
John W. Lane,	'60, Oct. 16.	'61, Jan. 9.	North Hadley.	P. C.
George Lyman,	'51, Nov. 12.	'70, Dec. 20.	*Riverside, Cal.*	W. C.
Henry R. McCartney,	'87, June 25.	'98, Dec. 6.	Amherst.	W. C.
George J. Newton,	'97, July 22.	'98, Feb. 6.	Hampden.	P.
Arthur B. Patten,	'94, Feb. 1.	'97, Dec. 7.	South Hadley.	P. C.
Lawrence Perry,	'94, May 10.	'96, May 26.	Worcester.	Pastor's Ass't.
Richard Scoles,	'80, April 21.	'00, May 29.	Leverett.	P.
Charles S. Walker,	'71, Aug. 1.	'81, Sept. 20.	Amherst.	Prof. of Ag. Coll.
Robert M. Woods,	'77, Nov. 21.	'77, Dec. 4.	Hatfield.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Edward P. Crowell, Amherst, re-licensed, Sept. 21, 1897; William L. Montague, Amherst, re-licensed, Dec. 6, 1898; Levi H. Elwell, Amherst, re-licensed, Dec. 4, 1900. Term of licensure is four years.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, June and December, and third Tuesday of September.

Rev. George E. Fisher, North Amherst, scribe.

12. MENDON, Organized, November 8, 1751.

John F. Crosby,	'92, Mar. 30.	'94, Dec. 4.	*Dover, N. H.*	W. C.
Robert W. Drawbridge,	'97, Oct. 5,	'00, Nov. 21.	Medway.	P. C.
Nathan T. Dyer,	'78, July 31.	'90, Dec. 9.	Ashburnham.	P.
Joseph M. R. Eaton,	'45, Jan. 9.	'71, Mar. 14.	*Redlands, Cal.*	W. C.
James W. Flagg,	'82, Oct. 25.	'93, June 13.	Merrimac.	P.
Rufus K. Harlow,	'68, Oct. 15.	'72, June 11.	Medway.	P. C.
Edward C. Hood,	'74, May 8.	'96, Dec. 1.	Hingham.	W. C.
Alexis W. Ide,	'59, July 7.	'72, June 11.	West Medway.	W. C.
Ephraim O. Jameson,	'60, Mar. 1.	'72, June 11.	Boston.	W. C.
Franklin C. Jones,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, April 7.	*Westfield, N. Y.*	W. C.
John L. Keedy,	'94, Aug. 28.	'01, April 2.	Walpole.	P. C.
Charles W. Longren,	'87, Aug. 24.	'95, Feb. 12.	*Longmont, Col.*	P.
Francis J. Marsh,	'76, Mar. 26.	'82, Mar. 14.	Boston.	Secretary.
William J. Minchin,	'96, June 10.	'99, Oct. 10.	Wrentham.	P.
Edson J. Moore,	'61, April 1.	'86, Sept. 21.	Norfolk.	P.
Benjamin F. Perkins,	'65, Nov. 22.	'98, Oct. 4.	East Walpole.	P.
Leroy M. Pierce,	'70, Feb. 4.	'98, Apr. 5.	Medfield.	P.
William L. Ropes,	'53, Sept. 14.	'53, Oct. 11.	Andover.	Librarian.

12. MENDON (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Isaiah W. Sneath,	'84, Feb. 27.	'99, April 19.	Franklin.	P. C.
Herman F. Swartz,	'98, July 27.	'98, Dec. 6.	Mansfield.	P. C.
George E. Sweet,	'90, June 30.	'99, Oct. 10.	West Medway.	P.
Albert H. Wheelock,	'88, July 3.	'94, Mar. 13.	Millis.	P.
Webster Woodbury,	'68, Sept. 29.	'88, June 13.	Milford.	W. C.
George F. Wright,	'75, July 14.	'98, Oct. 4.	*N. New Portland, Me.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS.—First Tuesdays in February, April, October and December.

Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath, Franklin, scribe.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH, Organized, June 7, 1830.

Daniel E. Adams,	'60, Dec. 5.	'86, Dec. 7.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
George M. Adams,	'51, Sept. 18.	'73, Sept. 9.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Edward E. Bradley,	'93, June 20.	'94, Dec. 4.	Lincoln.	P. C.
Merle A. Breed	'93, Nov. 21.	'97, May 4.	Weymouth.	W. C.
S. ngersoll Briant,	'68, April 22.	'99, Feb. 7.	Westboro.	W. C.
George A. Brock,	'91, June 29.	'92, May 3.	*Lockport, N. Y.*	P.
Charles S. Brooks,	'69, Sept. 15.	'01, Feb. 5.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Edward H. Chandler,	'92, Nov. 9.	'97, Sept. 21.	Salem.	W. C.
Daniel W Clark,	'82, June 22.	'99, Dec. 5.	Ashland.	W. C.
Edmund Dowse,	'38, Oct. 10.	'39, Feb. 5.	Sherborn.	P. C.
Horace Dutton,	'68, Jan. 21.	'75, Sept. 21.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Lucius R. Eastman,	'62, May 1.	'71, Dec. 2.	Framingham.	P. C.
Frederick E. Emrich,	'75, Sept. 16.	'90, Sept. 16.	So. Framingham.	P. C.
Prescott Fay,	'56, Feb. 27.	'96, Feb. 4.	Saxonville.	W. C.
Lincoln B. Goodrich,	'93, June 29.	'97, Sept. 21.	Marlboro.	P. C.
Robert F. Gordon,	'76, May 12.	'90, Feb. 4.	Boston.	P.
Theodore J. Holmes,	'59, Oct. 5.	'94, Sept. 18.	*Portsmouth, N. H.*	W. C.
Thomas C. Jackson,	'82, Aug.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Ironton, O.*	P. C.
James B. King,	'84, July.	'99, Sept. 19.	Hopkinton.	P. C.
George W. Lawrence,	'88, Feb. 14.	'99, Sept. 19.	*Willsboro, N. Y.*	P.
William E. Locke,	'68, Mar. 15.	'00, Dec. 4.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Martin F. Mevis,	'93, Sept. 18.	'94, May 1.	Southboro.	P.
Francis N. Peloubet,	'57, Dec. 2.	'72, Feb. 6.	Auburndale.	W. C.
William G. Puddefoot,	'88, Jan. 29.	'98, Dec. 6.	South Framingham.	W. C.
Almon J. Rackliffe,	'82, June 11.	'00, Sept. 18.	Hudson.	P.
Clarence W. Rouse,	'90, Dec. 4.	'95, Dec. 3.	South Sudbury.	P. C.
Albert D. Smith,	'88, Oct. 4.	'97, Feb. 2.	Northboro.	P. C.
Frederic E. Sturgis,	'68, Oct. 1.	'86, May 6.	Natick.	P. C.
Arthur Titcomb,	'88, Oct. 31.	'00, Feb. 6.	Saxonville.	P.
Nicholas Van der Pyl,	'93, Sept. 13.	'96, May 5.	Holliston.	P. C.
Benjamin C. Wood,	'94, July.	'97, May 2.	Wayland.	P.
Harvey Woodward,	'74, April 20.	'98, Sept. 20.	Natick.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS.—First Tuesdays in February, May and December, third Tuesday in September.

Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wellesley Hills, scribe.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION, Organized, January, 1827.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Herbert W. Boyd,	'86, Nov. 5.	'98, Nov. 15.	Ashby.	P. C.
Walter W. Campbell,	'90, Nov. 12.	'90, Nov. 18.	Concord.	P.
William O. Conrad,	'90, June 18.	'98, May 24.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
Bernard Copping,	'79, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 17.	Acton.	P. C.
George S. Dodge, M. D.,	'93, June 6.	'01, Mar. 19.	West Acton.	W. C.
A. Frederic Dunnels,	'84, Oct. 2.	'01, Jan. 15.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
Amelia A. Frost,	'94, Feb. 14.	'94, Nov. 20.	Rutland.	W. C.
George B. Frost,	'83, June 7.	'94, May 22.	Rutland.	P.
Henry H. Gay,	'89, April 16.	'92, Mar. 15.	Groton.	W. C.
Edward L. Gulick,	'89, Dec. 3.	'91, Sept. 15.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
John C. Handy,	'96, April 7.	'00, June 21.	Ayer.	P.
H. Linwood Hartwell,	'95, Aug. 28.	'99, Nov. 21.	Dunstable.	P.
Charles S. Haynes,	'94, May 23.	'97, Sept. 21.	Fitchburg.	W. C.
George R. Hewitt,	'86, June 4.	'95, Mar. 19.	Lowell.	P.
Henry M. Holmes,	'65, May 10.	'79, Jan. 7.	Provincetown.	W. C.
Alfred S. Hudson,	'67, Dec. 19.	'84, Dec. 30.	Ayer.	P.
John E. B. Jewett,	'51, Sept. 10.	'61, May 7.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Fritz W. Martini,	'97, May 14.	'00, Nov. 20.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
William C. Martyn,	'98, Nov. 29.	'99, Mar. 21.	West Acton.	P. C.
Jason G. Miller,	'99, Sept. 12.	'99, Sept. 19.	Harvard.	P. C.
Joel D. Miller,	'66, April.	'71, July 5.	Leominster.	Editor.
Frank E. Mills,	'78, Nov. 13.	'98, Mar. 15.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Horace Parker,	'61, May 31.	'64, Mar. 1.	West Tisbury.	W. C.
Elijah H. Roper,	'97, Oct. 27.	'98, Jan. 17.	Westford.	P.
Charles H. Rowley,	'81, Feb. 23.	'86, Mar. 2.	Harwich.	P.
George R. W. Scott,	'68, Sept. 17.	'81, Jan. 11.	Newton.	W. C.
George A. Tewksbury,	'63, Dec. 21.	'95, Sept. 17.	Concord.	P.
Nathan Thompson,	'65, Sept. 13.	'77, Sept. 4.	*Cheltenham, Md.*	W. C.
Ole O. Thorpe,	'94, Mar. 1.	'96, Jan. 21.	Concord.	W. C.
J. Brainerd Thrall,	'78, Dec. 8.	'98, Sept. 20.	Pepperell.	P.
Joseph Torrey,	'60, May 30.	'94, Jan. 16.	Shirley.	P.
Louis B. Voorhees,	'71, Dec. 6.	'94, May 22.	Groton.	P. C.
David Wallace,	'94, Aug. 22.	'97, Sept. 21.	Lunenburg.	P.
Charles H. Washburn,	'85, Dec. 2.	'99, Nov. 21.	Maynard.	P. C.
Benjamin A. Willmott,	'96, July 1.	'01, Jan. 15.	Townsend.	P.
Franklin P. Wood,	'71, July 24.	'73, May 6.	Acton.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, September and November.

Rev. William J. Batt, Concord Junction, scribe and treasurer.

15. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION, Organized, May 11, 1811.

Henry Clay Alvord,	'79, Sept. 10.	'87, Feb. 15.	South Weymouth.	P. C.
Edward Anderson,	'58, Oct. 13.	'98, Dec. 20.	Quincy.	P.
Andrew W. Archibald,	'76, Aug. 24.	'91, June 15.	Brockton.	P. C.
George Benedict,	'83, Oct. 9.	'98, Dec. 20.	North Abington.	P.
E. Victor Bigelow,	'91, Sept. 24.	'91, Dec. 15.	Lowell.	P. C.

15. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Henry E. Bray,	'89, Jan. 30.	'99, Dec. 19.	Stoughton.	P.
Frank E. Butler,	'87, June 22.	'96, Dec. 15.	South Weymouth.	P.
Edward C. Camp,	'94, Oct. 10.	'99, April 18.	Whitman.	P. C.
Almon J. Dyer,	'86, June 4.	'98, Feb. 15.	Sharon.	P. C.
Augustus H. Fuller,	'78, Oct. 17.	'95, Feb. 19.	Easton Centre.	P.
DeMont Goodyear,	'00, Jan. 31.	'00, April 17.	Abington.	P. C.
Edwin N. Hardy,	'90, Nov. 6.	'95, Dec. 17.	Quincy.	P. C.
Calvin G. Hill,	'72, Sept. 5.	'84, June 10.	Milton.	W. C.
Charles A. Hilton,	'71, June 9.	'94, Feb. 20.	Randolph.	P. C.
Alan Hudson,	'92, Dec. 28.	'93, April 18.	Brockton.	P. C.
Henry S. Huntington,	'66, Jan. 31.	'91, Oct. 17.	Milton.	P.
Robert R. Kendall,	'78, Jan. 30.	'92, Dec. 20.	Weymouth Heights.	P. C.
Joseph Kyte,	'62, Sept. 25.	'96, Feb. 18.	*North Anson, Me.*	P.
John M. Lord,	'51, Dec. 21.	'93, Dec. 19.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Warren F. Low,	'94, Sept. 4.	'95, Feb. 19.	Boston.	W. C.
Samuel Morrison,	'65, Oct. 24.	'90, Oct 28.	Braintree.	W. C.
Andrew H. Mulnix,	'98, Feb. 3.	'99, Oct. 31.	East Milton.	P. C.
Edward Norton,	'64, Dec. 28.	'75, Jan. 26.	Quincy.	P. Em.
Frank H. Palmer,	'80, Sept. 28.	'86, April 20.	Braintree.	W. C.
Frank Park,	'95, July 16.	'99, April 18.	Beechwood.	P.
Albert F. Pierce,	'77, Sept. 3.	'99, April 18.	Campello.	P. C.
Francis A. Poole,	'93, July 12.	'00, April 17.	East Weymouth.	P. C.
Elbert S. Porter,	'83, Dec. 19.	'89, Oct. 29.	Bridgewater.	P. C.
Roland D. Sawyer,	'00, Mar. 13.	'00, June 25.	Hanson.	P.
Henry S. Snyder,	'85, Oct. 28.	'98, Feb. 15.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Arthur Truslow,	'96, Sept. 30.	'99, Oct. 31.	Hingham.	P.
Thomas H. Vincent,	'89, Feb. 6.	'97, Dec. 28.	North Weymouth.	P.
Isaac C. White,	'50, Oct. 23.	'90, June 10.	Plymouth.	W. C.
Granville Yager,	'76, June 20.	'98, Dec. 20.	Braintree.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesday in October, third Tuesdays in December, February and April, and second Tuesday in June.

Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Sharon, scribe and treasurer.

16. OLD COLONY, Organized, August 18, 1810.

Harry L. Brickett,	'83, May 23.	'96, Feb. 12.	Marion.	P. C.
George P. Byington,	'68, Mar. 11.	'00, Feb. 14.	Westport.	P.
William Carruthers,	'58, June 16.	'92, Feb. 10.	Holyoke.	C. M.
John Graham,	'90, Jan. 17.	'90, Feb. 12.	*Sheldon, Vt.*	P.
Henry M. Grant,	'63, Nov. 17.	'79, Oct. 22.	*Eau Claire, Wis.*	W. C.
Charles F. Hersey,	'93, Jan. 25.	'94, Nov. 14.	New Bedford.	W. C.
Robert Humphrey,	'83, July 17.	'97, Feb. 10.	Mattapoisett.	P.
Matthew C. Julien,	'72, Dec. 11.	'78, July 30.	New Bedford.	P. C.
John A. MacColl,	'83, Jan. 31.	'90, Feb. 12.	New Bedford.	P. C.
Charles B. Mitchell,	'98, July 6.	'00, Feb. 14.	Wareham.	P.
Benjamin W. Pennock,	'88, June 27.	'00, May 9.	New Bedford.	W. C.
Robert L. Rae,	'89, Oct. 14.	'90, Feb. 12.	Brockton.	P. C.

16. OLD COLONY (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Caleb L. Rotch,	'79, Oct. 9.	'00, May 9.	North Rochester.	P.
George W. Stearns,	'83, Aug. 1.	'95, Nov. 13.	Middleboro.	P.
Richard G. Woodbridge,	'81, April 6.	'94, Nov. 14.	Middleboro.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS.—Second Wednesdays in February, May and November.

Rev. Robert L. Rae, 12 Argyle avenue, Brockton, scribe.

17. PLYMOUTH, Organized, May 18, 1858.

Haig Adadourian,	'97, Nov. 3.	'97, Nov. 16.	Manomet.	P.
Ernest M. Bartlett,	'97, Oct. 19.	'00, Sept. 25.	Kingston.	P.
Charles S. Bates,	'90, June 6.	'97, Nov. 16.	Otis.	P.
John W. Brownville,	'73, Dec. 18.	'85, Nov. 17.	Waquoit.	P.
Austin S. Chase,	'76, Dec. 14.	'93, May 8.	*East Hartford, Ct.*	W. C.
Alfred DeBarritt,	'95, May 31.	'97, Nov. 16.	*Cienfuegos, Cuba.*	P.
Jesse H. Jones,	'61, May 19.	'99, March 7.	Halifax.	P.
Frederic W. Manning,	'91, Dec. 31.	'92, Aug. 16.	Andover.	W. C.
Henry B. Mason,	'92, June 28.	'00, Nov. 20.	Duxbury.	P.
Solomon G. Merrick,	'86, Sept. 2.	'96, Nov. 17.	*Cocoanut Grove, Fla.*	W. C.
Francis Moon,	'80, July 2.	'89, Nov. 19.	Chiltonville.	W. C.
Frederick B. Noyes,	'90, Oct. 28.	'00, Sept. 25.	Plymouth.	P.
Piero Petacci,	'00, Feb. 14.	'00, Nov. 20.	Plymouth.	M.
Ernest W. Shurtleff,	'89, Nov. 16,	'92, Aug. 16.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	P. C.
John Wild,	'92, April 20.	'92, Aug. 16.	Hanover.	P.
George W. Wright,	'77, Dec. 5.	'93, Nov. 21.	Boston.	W. C.

Licentiates.—James T. Thomas, Halifax, license renewed on May 8, 1893, without limit of time; Oscar F. Stetson, North Carver, license renewed Feb. 19, 1901, for one year.

STATED MEETINGS.—Third Tuesdays in February, May, August and November.

Rev. Haig Adadourian, Manomet, scribe.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH, Organized, July 2, 1822.

Milan C. Ayres,	'74, May 30.	'85, Feb. 15.	Roxbury.	Editor.
David N. Beach,	'76, June 15.	'85, Feb. 17.	*Denver, Colo.*	P. C.
Reuben A. Beard,	'79, Sept. 10.	'98, Jan. 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Joseph P. Bixby,	'62, April 30.	'79, Sept. 16.	Revere.	W. C.
Howard A. Bridgman,	'90, Nov. 19.	'87, Dec. 13.	Brookline.	Editor.
G. Wolcott Brooks,	'77, Oct. 10.	'85, April 21.	Dorchester.	P.
Samuel C. Bushnell,	'79, June 4.	'90, May 28.	Arlington.	P. C.
Samuel M. Cathcart,	'96, Dec. 1.	'97, May 25.	Chelsea.	P. C.
C. F. Hill Crathern,	'86, Sept. 1.	'93, Dec. 6.	Braintree.	P.
George Darling,	'50, July 12.	'93, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William C. Detling,	'97, Mar. 3.	'95, Oct. 30.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
M. Angelo Dougherty,	'69, June 15.	'87, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Walter S. Eaton,	'91, April 26.	'94, Feb. 7.	Revere.	P. C.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Robert E. Ely,	'90, Dec. 11.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridgeport.	W. C.
Daniel Evans,	'91, May 26.	'00, Jan. 30.	North Cambridge.	P. C.
Oren D. Fisher,	'75, Sept. 28.	'99, May 31.	East Boston.	P.
William B. Forbush,	'92, Feb. 17.	'98, Sept. 27.	Charlestown.	P. C.
George H. Gutterson,	'78, Dec. 3.	'95, June 10.	Winchester.	Sec'y.
Samuel E. Herrick,	'63, Oct. 13.	'65, Feb. 21.	Boston.	P. C.
John V. Hilton,	'60, July.	'77, Dec. 18.	*Boulder, Colo.*	W. C.
Elijah Horr,	'67, April 21.	'97, Nov. 30.	Malden.	P.
Ross C. Houghton,	'69, April 18.	'95, June 10.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Frank H. Kasson,	'79, Nov. 13.	'83, Sept. 18.	Boston.	Editor.
Horace H. Leavitt,	'73, June 19.	'95, Feb. 6.	Somerville.	P. C.
Duncan McDermid,	'86, Oct. 28.	'93, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
Robert A. MacFadden,	'96, June 16.	'98, Sept. 27.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Alexander McKenzie,	'61, Aug. 28.	'67, April 16.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Peter McQueen,	'91, May 8.	'93, Oct. 4.	Somerville.	W. C.
William J. Murray,	'79, April 28.	'00, Mar. 27.	Beachmont.	P.
Sylvester S. Nickerson,	'76, Dec. 26.	'89, Sept. 25.	Boston.	P. C.
Charles L. Noyes,	'81, Mar. 29.	'83, Feb. 20.	Somerville.	P. C.
Leonard S. Parker,	'38, Dec. 16.	'87, Feb. 8.	North Cambridge.	A. P.
Lawrence Phelps,	'78, Sept. 5.	'92, April 5.	Leominster.	P. C.
Eddy T. Pitts,	'82, Feb. 8.	'00, Nov. 27.	Somerville.	P. C.
Charles H. Pope,	'65, July 27.	'97, Mar. 30.	Cambridge.	P.
Edward K. Rawson,	'72, Oct. 9.	'83, April 10.	*Annapolis, Md.*	Chaplain.
James H. Ross,	'78, Feb. 22.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Everett S. Stackpole,	'82,	'00, Nov. 27.	Cambridge.	W. C.
P. Thomas Stanford,	'78, Sept. 26.	'99, May 31.	North Cambridge.	W. C.
Alfred E. Stembridge,	'92, Mar. 28.	'98, Sept. 27.	Wilmington.	W. C.
William I. Sweet,	'87, April 19.	'98, May 31.	Everett.	P.
Charles H. Talmage,	'82, Sept. 18.	'99, Nov. 28.	Barre.	P.
John G. Taylor,	'73, Jan. 9.	'00, Jan. 30.	Arlington Heights.	P.
Edward Sampson Tead,	'78, Sept. 17.	'86, Feb. 12.	Somerville.	P. C.
Edward P. Tenney,	'58, Oct. 19.	'00, Jan. 30.	Cambridge.	W. C.
C. A. G. Thurston,	'77, Oct. 17.	'00, Mar. 27.	Somerville.	W. C.
Charles F. Thwing,	'79, Sept.	'79, Dec. 16.	*Cleveland, O.*	Pres.
Robert W. Wallace,	'72, May 26.	'97, Nov. 30.	Somerville.	W. C.
George Washburn,	'63, July 29.	'78, Oct. 13.	*Constantinople.*	Pres. Coll.
George Y. Washburn,	'82, April 26.	'00, Jan. 30.	Everett.	P.
Aquilla Webb,	'99, Feb. 9.	'99, May 31.	*Los Angeles, Cal.*	P.
Charles H. Williams,	'99, Oct. 19.	'00, Jan. 30.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Albert E. Winship,	'75, Mar. 17.	'76, June 13.	Somerville.	Editor.
James C. Young,	'91, Aug. 25.	'97, Nov. 30.	East Boston.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Charles R. Blood, 1898; George E. Kinney, 1898.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, March, May, September and November.

Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart, Chelsea, scribe.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH, Organized, January 27, 1829.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Allbright,	'79, June 6.	'91, Mar. 11.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles H. Beale,	'80, April 5.	'95, Jan. 16.	Roxbury.	P. C.
William T. Beale,	'82, June 7.	'99, May 10.	Dorchester.	P.
Warren F. Bickford,	'76, June 20.	'92, May 11.	Islington.	P.
George M. Boynton,	'63, Oct. 28.	'80, Nov. 10.	Newton Center.	Sec'y.
Samuel A. Brown,	'00, Dec. 27.	'01, Mar. 13.	Boston.	P. C.
Seelye Bryant,	'90, Oct. 1.	'00, Mar. 14.	Canton,	P. C.
William R. Campbell,	'81, Oct. 12.	'81, Nov. 9.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Edward A. Chase,	'84, May 28.	'00, Jan. 24.	Wollaston.	P. C.
Francis E. Clark,	'76, Oct. 19.	'84, Jan. 16.	Auburndale.	Y. P. S. C. E.
Alfred E. Colton,	'84, May 28.	'99, Nov. 8.	Dorchester.	Sec'y.
Perley B. Davis,	'62, Jan. 29.	'63, July 7.	West Roxbury.	W. C.
Morton Dexter,	'73, April 30.	'84, Mar. 12.	Boston.	Editor.
Charles A. Dickinson,	'79, Sept. 27.	'99, Nov. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Charles A. Dinsmore,	'85, July 20.	'96, Mar. 18.	South Boston.	P. C.
Albert E. Dunning,	'70, Sept. 29.	'71, Jan. 2.	Brookline.	Editor.
Percy H. Epler,	'98, May 26.	'98, Sept. 14.	South Boston.	Asst. P.
Solomon P. Fay,	'49, Sept. 6.	'82, Mar. 8.	Dorchester.	W. C.
George H. Flint,	'94, Oct. 22.	'96, Jan. 15.	Dorchester.	P.
Addison P. Foster,	'66, Oct. 3.	'86, May 4.	Aub'nd'le.	Sec'y, A.S.S.U.
William Gallagher,	'74, Dec. 1.	'98, Jan. 12.	South Braintree.	Prin.
Richard B. Grover,	'81, Oct. 4.	'92, May 11.	Cambridgeport.	P.
Benj. F. Hamilton,	'65, June 28.	'72, Mar. 12.	Roxbury.	W. C.
John A. Hamilton,	'61, Jan. 29.	'85, May 13.	Sharon.	Sec'y, A. E. S.
Harry O. Hannum,	'96, Sept. 16.	'00, Mar. 14.	Boston.	Asst. P.
Henry N. Hoyt,	'76, May 22.	'98, May 11.	Hyde Park.	P. C.
Albion H. Johnson,	'65, Oct. 13.	'83, May 9.	Hyde Park.	W. C.
William S. Kelsey,	'85, May 27.	'99, May 10.	Allston.	Assoc. P.
John L. Kilbon,	'89, June 28.	'92, Sept. 14.	Newton Centre.	Editor.
Frederick T. Knight,	'97, Oct. 5.	'97, Nov. 10.	Wollaston.	W. C.
Arthur Little,	'63, Mar. 16.	'89, Sept. 18.	Dorchester.	P. C.
Achilles L. Loder,	'77, May 8.	'91, Nov. 5.	Hyde Park.	W. C.
Samuel L. Loomis,	'80, Oct. 14.	'97, Sept. 29.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Charles D. Lothrop,	'54, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Ellis Mendell,	'79, June 4.	'80, May 12.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Frank W. Merrick,	'91, Oct. 12.	'91, Nov. 5.	West Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Morgan,	'76, Mar. 15.	'95, Jan. 16.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Edwin L. Noble,	'96, May 18.	'01, Mar. 13.	Neponset.	P.
Cyrus P. Osborne,	'65, Nov. 2.	'00, Jan. 24.	Jamaica Plain.	Sec'y.
Charles A. Perry,	'82, Nov. 16.	'96, Jan. 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
Albert H. Plumb,	'58, Nov. 10.	'85, Jan. 14.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Winfred C. Rhoades,	'99, May 17.	'00, Sept. 19.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Joseph B. Seabury,	'75, Sept. 8.	'85, May 13.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
Charles B. Smith,	'48, Nov. 12.	'79, July 9.	West Medford.	W. C.
Judson Smith,	'66, Oct. 17.	'85, Mar. 11.	Roxbury.	A.B.C.F.M.
George F. Stanton,	'66, June 6.	'90, Jan. 15.	Boston.	W. C.
Herbert W. Stebbins,	'83, Aug. 28.	'97, Sept. 29.	Boston.	W. C.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
A. C. Thompson,	'42, July 27.	'42, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	P. C.
J. Spencer Voorhees,	'84, July 9.	'00, Mar. 14.	Roslindale.	P. C.
Eugene C. Webster,	'90, May 28.	'94, Sept. 19.	Jamaica Plain.	Sec'y.
Charles F. Weeden,	'88, April 4.	'96, Jan. 15.	Lynn.	P. C.
John H. Whitaker,	'93, Dec. 19.	'98, May 11.	Atlantic.	P.
Cyrus L. D. Younkin,	'93, April 8.	'92, Mar. 9.	Boston.	M.

Licentiate. — Edmund M. Wylie, Beverly, licensed Oct. 22, 1900, for one year.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, September and November.

Rev. George H. Flint, Dorchester, scribe and treasurer.

20. SUFFOLK WEST, Organized, January 8, 1867.

James L. Barton,	'85, June 29.	'97, Feb. 8.	Newton Cen.	A.B.C.F.M.
Adolph A. Berle,	'87, Sept. 14.	'91, Dec. 14.	Brighton.	P. C.
Erastus Blakeslee,	'80, Feb. 17.	'94, Feb. 12.	Brookline.	Editor.
Ezra H. Byington,	'59, Feb. 23.	'91, Feb. 9.	Newton.	W. C.
George H. Cate,	'79, April 2.	'94, June 11.	Boston.	Sec'y.
Edward L. Clark,	'61, Aug. 8.	'93, April 11.	Boston.	P. C.
William H. Cobb,	'72, April 18.	'88, June 11.	Newton Cen.	Cong. Lib.
Calvin Cutler,	'62, Mar. 12.	'68, Feb. 4.	Auburndale.	P. C. Em.
Charles H. Daniels,	'73, Nov. 20.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton. Sec.	A.B.C.F.M.
Ozora S. Davis,	'96, Sept. 14.	'00, Oct. 16.	Newtonville.	P. C.
William H. Davis,	'77, July 5.	'96, Oct. 12.	Newton.	P. C.
Samuel W. Dike,	'69, Feb. 8.	'87, Oct. 11.	Auburndale.	Sec.N.D.R.L.
Parris T. Farwell,	'83, Oct. 23.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	P. C.
Bradford M. Fullerton,	'68, Feb. 12.	'81, Dec. 18.	Brockton.	W. C.
George P. Gilman,	'72, Aug. 28.	'85, Oct. 6.	Waverley.	P.
George A. Gordon,	'77, Jan. 20.	'86, April 20.	Boston.	P. C.
John O. Haarvig,	'83, Oct. 13.	'95, Dec. 9.	Allston.	P. C.
Harris G. Hale,	'91, Sept. 3.	'97, April 12.	Brookline.	P. C.
Charles E. Harrington,	'74, Oct. 27.	'95, Dec. 9.	Waltham.	P. C.
Ralph J. Haughton,	'91, Nov. 24.	'99, Oct. 9.	Needham.	P.
Charles E. Havens,	'81, Sept. 15.	'94, April 9.	Littleton.	P.
George A. Hood,	'69, Sept. 30.	'96, Feb. 10.	Boston. Sec'y, C. C. B. S.	
Edwin Leonard,	'52, Mar. 25.	'93, Dec. 11.	Melrose Highlands.	W. C.
Oscar Lindegren,	'93, Dec. 7.	'00, June 11.	East Boston.	Miss.
William T. McElveen,	'90, May 15.	'00, Dec. 12.	Boston.	P. C.
George A Matthews,	'95, April 3.	'98, Dec. 19.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Darius A. Morehouse,	'65, June 18.	'90, Dec. 3.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Edward M. Noyes,	'83, Sept. 26.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton Centre.	P. C.
Henry E. Oxnard,	'94, Nov. 13.	'00, Feb. 13.	Newton.	P.
Henry J. Patrick,	'54, Nov. 16.	'67, Jan. 8.	Newtonville.	P. C. Em.
George G. Phipps,	'68, Jan. 23.	'78, Dec. 10.	Newton Highlands.	W. C.
Edward C. Porter,	'84, June 24.	'90, Feb. 10.	Watertown.	P. C.
Theodore P. Prudden,	'74, Dec. 22.	'94, Dec. 10.	West Newton.	P. C.
Isaac O. Rankin,	'80, July 21.	'96, June 8.	*Peekskill, N. Y.*	W. C.

20. SUFFOLK WEST (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Oliver D. Sewall,	'92, Sept. 27.	'97, Oct. 11.	Brookline.	Ass't P.
William S. Smith,	'54, April 27.	'74, Dec. 8.	Worcester.	W. C.
Charles M. Southgate,	'70, Dec. 15.	'96, Feb. 10.	Auburndale.	P. C.
S. Lewis B. Speare,	'74, Jan. 30.	'96, Dec. 14.	Newton.	W. C.
E. Ellsworth Strong,	'59, April 10.	'67, April 8.	Auburndale.	Editor.
Reuen Thomas,	'58, Dec. 7.	'76, Feb. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Alexander S. Twombly,	'59, Feb. 10.	'93, April 11.	Newton.	W. C.
Avery S. Walker,	'57, June 15.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
Edwin B. Webb,	'50, Sept. 11.	'67, Jan. 8.	Wellesley.	P. C. Em.
Elbridge C. Whiting,	'91, Sept. 30.	'00, June 11.	Belmont.	P.

Licentiates. — Arthur W. Kelly, Auburndale, license renewed Feb., 1900, for three years; Edward P. Kelly, Auburndale, renewed, April 10, 1899, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in February, April, June, October and December.

Rev. Elbridge C. Whiting, Belmont, scribe.

21. TAUNTON. Organized, November 21, 1826.

William W. Adams,	'60, Jan. 26.	'64, Nov. 29.	Fall River.	P. C.
James A. Anderson,	'89, Oct. 10.	'00, Jan. 17.	Somerset.	P.
Samuel V. Cole,	'89, Oct. 29.	'89, Nov. 13.	Norton.	Pres. Sem.
Zenas Crowell,	'77, Dec. 19.	'01, Jan. 9.	Attleboro Falls.	P.
S. Hopkins Emery,	'37, Nov. 23.	'75, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C. Em.
James E. Enman,	'95, Dec. 31.	'00, Jan. 17.	Fall River.	P. C.
Francis A. Fate,	'94, Nov. 1.	'98, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
Avery K. Gleason,	'86, Dec. 14.	'00, Nov. 14.	Raynham.	P.
Charles E. Harris, Jr.,	'94, Oct. 9.	'98, Nov. 9.	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*	W. C.
William R. Joyslyn,	'64, Feb. 4.	'00, Nov. 14.	Berkley.	P.
William Knight,	'86, Sept. 4.	'98, Nov. 9.	Fall River.	P. C.
Dorrall Lee,	'74, Sept. 16.	'99, Nov. 8.	North Dighton.	P.
Halah H. Loud,	'97, Dec. 16.	'98, Jan. 12.	East Taunton.	P. C.
Frank L. Luce,	'95, Nov. 6.	'98, May 11.	Taunton.	P. C.
Payson W. Lyman,	'71, May 10.	'89, May 8.	Fall River.	P. C.
Henry G. Megathlin,	'96, Dec. 19.	'97, Jan. 13.	Wollaston.	P.
Sidney K. B. Perkins,	'60, Jan. 11.	'88, Jan. 11.	*Perry, Me.*	P.
Edward N. Pomeroy,	'68, Nov. 11.	'82, May 10.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Charles A. Ratcliffe,	'91, April.	'97, Mar. 10.	Norton.	P.
Samuel P. Rondeau,	'92, Nov. 22.	'98, Mar. 9.	Fall River.	P.
Charles L. Tomblen,	'77, Aug. 30.	'01, Mar. 20.	North Middleboro.	P. C.
William F. Warren,	'78, Oct. 13.	'98, Nov. 9.	Freetown.	P.
Charles B. Wathen,	'83, June 14.	'98, Mar. 9.	Rehoboth.	P.
T. Clayton Welles,	'72, Oct. 25.	'92, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
John Whitehill,	'61, Dec. 11.	'69, Nov. 10.	Oldtown.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May and November.

Rev. Payson W. Lyman, Fall River, scribe and treasurer.

22. WOBURN, Organized, September, 1833.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles Anderson,	'74, Sept. 2.	'74, Sept. 15.	*Constantinople.*	Robt. C.
A. Herbert Armes,	'89, Dec. 18.	'99, Oct. 31.	Carlisle.	P.
William F. Bacon,	'67, Sept. 26.	'90, Feb. 4.	Medford.	W. C.
John Barstow,	'87, June 29.	'95, Feb. 19.	*Ontario, Cal.*	W. C.
William J. Batt,	'59, Sept. 29.	'59, Nov. 15.	Concord June.	Chaplain.
Theodore P. Berle,	'93, Oct. 3.	'93, Oct. 17.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Wolcott Calkins,	'62, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Newton.	P.
Charles F. Carter,	'83, Sept. 13.	'97, Feb. 17.	Lexington.	P. C.
Judson Van Clancy,	'87, Sept. 7.	'96, Mar. 17.	West Medford.	P. C.
Joshua Coit,	'60, Nov. 13.	'89, Jan. 29.	Winchester.	H. M. Sec.
Eugene E. Colburn,	'75, Sept. 18.	'98, Nov. 15.	*Broad Brook, Conn.*	P.
Marshall M. Cutter,	'68, Dec. 29.	'74, Nov. 17.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert P. Davis,	'94, Nov. 22.	'95, Feb. 19.	Wakefield.	P. C.
Walter A. Evans,	'86, June 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	*Forest City, Iowa.*	W. C.
James L. Fowle,	'78, July 3.	'98, Nov. 15.	*Turkey.*	F. M.
Henry H. French,	'86, April 25.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	P. C.
Henry H. Hamilton,	'72, Sept. 1.	'98, Nov. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	'67, Oct. 17.	'86, Mar. 16.	South Braintree.	W. C.
Robert W. Haskins,	'72, Oct. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Reading.	W. C.
James L. Hill,	'75, Sept. 15.	'87, June 13.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank S. Hunnewell,	'88, June 27.	'99, Feb. 21.	Reading.	P. C.
Burke F. Leavitt,	'73, May 7.	'95, Jan. 29.	Melrose Highlands.	P. C.
Elihu Loomis,	'51, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Bedford.	W. C.
George E. Lovejoy,	'73, July 16.	'94, May 9.	*Pittsfield, N. H.*	P. C.
Thomas MacBriar,	'90, Jan. 15.	'98, Nov. 15.	Melrose.	W. C.
Daniel March,	'45, April 25.	'77, May 15.	Woburn.	P. C. Em.
Truman A. Merrill,	'58, July 14.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	W. C.
Robert D. Miller,	'56, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Malden.	W. C.
D. Augustine Newton,	'82, Sept. 21.	'85, Dec. 16.	Winchester.	P. C.
Isaac Pierson,	'70, Mar. 30.	'96, Oct. 8.	South Medford.	P. C.
Doremus Scudder,	'85, June 17.	'95, Dec. 17.	Woburn.	P. C.
Thomas Sims,	'75, June 9.	'98, Nov. 1.	Melrose.	P.
Azro A. Smith,	'64, Feb. 11.	'00, June 5.	Reading.	W. C.
Edwin Smith,	'65, Jan. 11.	'88, May 1.	Ballardvale.	P.
George H. Tilton,	'73, June 4.	'98, Nov. 15.	North Woburn.	P.
Peter Vincentius,	'88, Aug. 19.	'89, Jan. 29.	East Boston.	P.
Joshua W. Wellman,	'51, June 18.	'74, Mar. 17.	Malden.	W. C.
William H. Willcox,	'50, Mar. 5.	'58, Jan. 19.	Malden.	W. C.
J. Christopher Williams,	'90, Feb. 23.	'99, Feb. 21.	Linden.	P.

Licentiate. – Albert V. Fisher, Derry, N. H., renewed Nov. 9, 1897, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, September and November.

Rev. Albert P. Davis, Wakefield, scribe and treasurer.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL, Organized, November 4, 1823.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
August L. Anderson,	'86, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	Orange.	P.
Thomas E. Babb,	'69, Jan. 19.	'94, April 3.	Holden.	P.
Orange C. Bailey,	'85, Oct. 13.	'94, Nov. 13.	Worcester.	P.
Albert Bryant,	'65, Sept. 20.	'86, Feb. 2.	Scituate Center.	P.
Charles M. Carpenter,	'90, Apr. 22.	'01, Apr. 9.	Oxford.	P.
Arcturus Z. Conrad,	'85, June 2.	'90, Feb. 3.	Worcester.	P. C.
Amos H. Coolidge,	'57, Apr. 21.	'67, July 7.	Worcester.	W. C.
Samuel B. Cooper,	'87, June 19.	'99, Feb. 7.	Boylston.	P.
Joseph W. Cross,	'34, Oct. 1.	'41, Jan. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.
William N. T. Dean,	'75, Feb. 3.	'89, Feb. 5.	Whately.	P.
Austin Dodge,	'66, Oct. 6.	'90, Feb. 4.	Burlington.	P.
George S. Dodge,	'72, Aug. 16.	'78, May 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Dodge,	'83, Sept. 25.	'84, Feb. 5.	Worcester.	P.
Henry C. Fay,	'58, Dec. 28.	'81, May 2.	Somerville.	W. C.
Walcott Fay,	'84, Feb. 20.	'90, Feb. 4.	Nantucket.	P.
Dwight Goddard,	'94, July 17.	'00, Nov. 13.	Lancaster.	P.
Samuel A. Harlow,	'82, Oct. 15.	'96, Feb. 4.	Grafton.	P.
Joseph N. Haskell,	'00, June 22.	'01, Feb. 5.	Sterling.	P. C.
Albert W. Hitchcock,	'91, Dec. 15.	'01, April 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Hurlbut,	'75, Mar. 24.	'97, Feb. 15.	*Wapping, Ct.*	P.
William W. Jordan,	'84, Oct. 9.	'94, Nov. 13.	Clinton.	P. C.
Edward A. Lathrop,	'95, Nov. 26.	'97, April 6.	Essex.	P.
Alexander Lewis,	'90, May 28.	'96, April 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Joseph F. Lovering,	'60, June 17.	'88, April 3.	Somerville.	W. C.
Archibald McCullagh,	'71, May 2.	'91, April 27.	Worcester.	W. C.
Henry F. Markham,	'80, Sept.	'95, Nov. 12.	*Portis, Kan.*	W. C.
John H. Matthews,	'91, May 5.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P.
Daniel Merriman,	'68, Sept. 30.	'78, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	P. C. Em.
Lyman Mevis,	'91, Oct. 1.	'01, April 9.	Worcester.	P.
Eldridge Mix,	'60, Dec. 6.	'94, April 3.	Worcester.	C. M.
Ellsworth W. Phillips,	'91, Oct. 19.	'92, Feb. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles M. Pierce,	'63, Sept. 2.	'91, Feb. 3.	Auburn.	P.
George H. Pratt,	'60, Oct. 11.	'94, Nov. 13.	Charlemont.	P.
David C. Reid,	'84, July 29.	'96, April 7.	Leicester.	P. C.
Casper F. Scherff,	'76, April 9.	'90.	*Muscatine, Io.*	P.
Willard Scott,	'79, Oct. 29.	'99, Feb. 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Arthur H. Sedgwick,	'90,	'01, April 9.	Shrewsbury.	P.
William T. Sleeper,	'54, June 29.	'54, Sept. 5.	Newton.	W. C.
Rufus M. Taft,	'93, June 16.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	Evan.
Albert G. Todd,	'90, June 10.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Tuttle,	'83, May 22.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	W. C.
John Udd,	'96, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles A. White,	'73, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 10.	Princeton.	P.
Inman L. Wilcox,	'89, Oct. 18.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February and April, and second Tuesday in November.

Rev. Albert G. Todd, Worcester, scribe.

24. WORCESTER NORTH, Organized, June 18, 1818.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James A. Bates,	'60, Sept. 19.	'99, April 25.	South Royalston.	P.
Rolla G. Bugbee,	'76, Nov. 8.	'98, Jan. 25.	Athol.	P.
Irving A. Burnap,	'92, Sept. 15.		Phillipston.	P.
Joseph S. Cogswell,	'68, Nov. 14.	'94, Jan. 23.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
Preston R. Crowell,	'90, Sept. 4.	'98, July 12.	Petersham.	P.
Francis J. Fairbanks,	'64, Aug. 31.	'95, July 9.	Royalston.	P. C.
Robert J. Floody,	'87, Sept. 7.	'98, April 26.	Boston.	W. C.
Davis Foster,	'55, Nov. 1.	'69, Nov. 27.	Winchendon.	P. C.
John H. Garman,	'47, Nov. 3.	'66, Oct. 2.	North Orange.	W. C.
Burton S. Gilman,	'97, May 16.	'97, April 26.	Gardner.	P. C.
Edwin S. Gould,	'73, Oct. 1.	'94, Jan 23.	*Providence, R. I.*	W. C.
John W. Hird,	'79, Mar. 19.	'91, April 28.	Baldwinville.	P. C.
Milan H. Hitchcock,	'57, Aug. 25.	'63, April 28.	Hubbardston.	P.
Albert V. House,	'94, June 20.	'95, April 23.	New Salem.	P.
Gustavus W. Jones,	'69, May 27.	'91, April 28.	Winchendon.	P. C.
Gabriel B. Kambour,	'93, Apr. 5.	'93, April 25.	Templeton.	P. C.
Francis B. Knowlton,	'65, Aug. 29.	'86, Jan. 26.	Athol.	W. C.
John W. Lees,	'70, Nov. 16.	'96, April 28.	Westminster.	P.
George J. Pierce,	'72, Aug. 8.	'82, April 25.	Worcester.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS.—Fourth Tuesdays in January and April; second Tuesday in July; and last Tuesday in September.

Rev. Francis B. Knowlton, Athol, scribe.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH, Organized in 1818.

Frederic A. Balcom,	'82, Jan. 9.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Franklin, N. H.*	P.
William A. Benedict,	'49, June 27.	'76, Oct. 10.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Frank L. Bristol,	'75, Oct. 25.	'88, Oct. 9.	Uxbridge.	P. C.
Andrew Campbell,	'96, Sept. 24.	'00, Jan. 19.	Webster.	P.
James H. Childs,	'75, Oct. 7.	'85, Jan. 13.	Northbridge Centre.	P.
Edward W. Clark,	'50, Jan. 1.	'00, Jan. 19.	Westboro.	W. C.
David M. Didriksen,	'92, July 13.	'92, Oct. 11.	Roxbury.	W. C.
George P. Eastman,	'91, May 12.	'92, Jan. 12.	Millbury.	P. C.
John C. Hall,	'90, May 20.	'92, Jan. 12.	Sutton.	P. C.
David Howie,	'89, Feb. 27.	'94, Oct. 9.	Saundersville.	P.
Frank A. Lombard,	'00, Aug. 9.	'00, Sept. 11.	*Kioto.*	A. B. C. F. M.
Augustine P. Manwell,	'00, Sept. 18.	'00, Dec. 11.	Northbridge.	P.
Aaron B. Peffers,	'55, May 29.	'93, April 11.	Stoneham.	W. C.
Charles P. Pierce,	'98, Nov. 15.	'98, June 14.	East Douglas.	P.
George A. Putnam,	'60, Nov. 14.	'71, Oct. 17.	Millbury.	P. C.
Walter H. Rollins,	'98, Aug. 26.	'99, Mar. 14.	Wilmington.	P. C.
John R. Thurston,	'59, Jan. 20.	'72, Jan. 9.	Whitinsville.	P. C.
Alexander Wiswall,	'79, Sept. 24.	'94, Jan. 9.	Upton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS.—Second Tuesdays in March, June, September and December.

Rev. James H. Childs, Northbridge Centre, scribe.

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MINISTERIAL RECORD

Ordinations, Installations and Recognitions.

In this list, "*o.*" denotes ordination without installation; "*o. p.*" ordination as pastor; "*o. f. m.*" ordination for foreign missionary service; "*i.*" installation; and "*r.*" recognition. But owing to indefinite reports, "*o.*" may sometimes be an error for "*o. p.*"

Beals, Charles E., Greenfield, Second ch., *i.*, Oct. 11, 1900.
Brown, Samuel A., St. Mark's ch., Boston, *o. p.*, Dec. 27, 1900.
Byington, Edwin H., Dane Street ch., Beverly, *i.*, Oct. 31, 1900.
Deming, Vernon H., North Wilbraham, *i.*, Oct. 30, 1900.
Dingwell, James D., Main Street ch., Amesbury, *i.*, Oct. 2, 1900.
Drawbridge, Robert W., Medway, *i.*, Nov. 21, 1900.
Dumm, B. Alfred, Stoneham, *i.*, March 20, 1901.
Fiske, G. Walter, South Hadley Falls, *i.*, Oct. 9, 1900.
Hitchcock, Albert W., Central ch., Worcester, *i.*, Dec. 21, 1900.
Hogberg, Adolph F., New York, *o.*, Oct. 13, 1899.
Lombard, Frank A., First ch., Sutton, Aug. 9, 1900.
Loud, Halah H., East Taunton, *i.*, Dec. 19, 1900.
Lyman, Frederick B., Fairhaven, *o.*, Oct. 9, 1900.
Manwell, Augustus P., Rockdale ch., Northbridge, *o.* and *r.*, Sept. 18, 1900.
Marshall, Charles P., Riverside ch., Lawrence, *i.*, Nov. 13, 1900.
McComas, Henry C., Trinity ch., North Attleboro, *o. p.*, Oct. 26, 1900.
Parker, Frederick, Chatham, *o. p.*, Dec. 14, 1900.
Pratt, Arthur P., South Evangelical ch., W. Roxbury, *o.*, March 13, 1901.
Pratt, D. Butler, Faith ch., Springfield, *i.*, Oct. 30, 1900.
Quint, John H., Falmouth, *i.*, Oct. 24, 1900.
Rollins, Walter H., Wilmington, *i.*, Nov. 7, 1900.

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Beals, Charles E., Stoneham, Sept. 25, 1900.
Bigelow, E. Victor, Cohasset, Jan. 31, 1901.
Ellsworth, Alfred A., First ch., Braintree, Sept. 18, 1900.
Ferrin, Allen C., Blandford, Sept. 19, 1900.
Fiske, G. Walter, Second ch., Huntington, Aug. 27, 1900.
Freeman, George E., Lynnfield, Dec. 26, 1900.
Hatch, Franklin S., Monson, Dec. 5, 1900.
Hitchcock, Albert W., Belleville ch., Newburyport, Dec. 8, 1900.
Low, Warren F., Holbrook, Dec. 18, 1900.
Manning, Federick W., Marshfield, Dec. 19, 1900.
Merriam, Charles L., Highland ch., Lowell, Nov. 27, 1900.
Sterns, Wallace H., Granville, Dec. 31, 1900.
Todd, George L., Merrimac, Sept. 19, 1900.
Weeden, Charles F., Norwood, Dec. 19, 1900.
Woodbury, Webster, Milford, Oct. 30, 1900.

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Beaman, Warren H., *w. c.*, Amherst, Feb. 26, 1901.
Bell, James M., *p.*, North Leominster, Jan. —, 1901.
Blake, Lyman H., *p.*, Essex, Nov. 13, 1900.
Bliss, Charles R., *w. c.*, Wakefield, Feb. 26, 1901.
Brown, Sherman W., *p. c.*, Spencer, March 1, 1901.
Chittenden, Albert J., *w. c.*, Mill River, Feb. 4, 1901.
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Hamlin, Cyrus, *w. c.*, Lexington.
Harrison, Samuel, *p.*, Pittsfield, Aug. 11, 1900.
Hazen, Henry A., Secretary National Council, Aug. 4, 1900.
Merrill, Samuel L., *w. c.*, Springfield, Sept. 28, 1900.
Robie, Benjamin A., *p.*, Grafton, Sept. 16, 1900.
Smith, Thomas S., *w. c.*, Easthampton, Dec. 16, 1900.
Terry, Calvin, *w. c.*, North Weymouth, Dec. 12, 1900.

MARRIAGES.

Bliss, Edwin M., and E. Theodora Crosby, at Brockton, Nov. —, 1900.
Eames, Charles O., of Becket, and Miss Lou B. Ballou, Dec. 13, 1900.
Loud, Halah H., of East Taunton, and Miss Julia Dean, of Taunton, at Taunton, Jan. 14, 1901.
Oxnard, Henry, of Newton, and Miss Evelyn S. Fletcher, of Lawrence, at Lawrence, April 17, 1900.
Pierce, Charles P., of East Douglas, and Laura H. Bowles, at Auburn, Jan. 23, 1900.
Sedgewick, Edward C., of Curtisville, and Florence E. Barnes, of Williamsville, at Williamsville, May 23, 1900.
Smith, William S., of Auburndale, and Mrs. Ellen M. Gould, of Worcester, at Worcester, April 18, 1900.
Swartz, Herman F., of Mansfield, and Omega Kinsell, of Elmhurst, Cal., Jan. 1, 1901.
Wheeler, Edgar C., of Hyannis, and Cornelia D. Robertson, of Tacoma, Washington, at Cambridge, Aug. 7, 1900.

RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION

I. NAME.—This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

II. OBJECT.—Its object is to secure Christian union, fellowship, and intercourse among the ministers and churches; promote spirituality, and to co-operate with one another and with other ecclesiastical bodies in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom.

III. DOCTRINAL BASIS.—This Association agrees to the Declaration of Faith adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches in the year 1865, the doctrines therein set forth being understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the gospel.

IV. DENOMINATIONAL BASIS.—Being based exclusively upon Congregational principles, this Association shall, under no circumstances, exercise ecclesiastical authority over churches or individuals, or interfere with the government or discipline of the churches, or consent to hear appeals, or give advice in ecclesiastical causes of any kind.

V. MEMBERS.—Each evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer, shall compose the General Association. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach sermons, and chairmen of committees attending to present reports shall be honorary members, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit.

VI. OFFICERS.—1. A secretary, an assistant secretary, a registrar, an assistant registrar, and a treasurer shall be chosen by ballot, each to serve three years from the close of the session at which the choice was made; to these offices any member of any Congregational church connected with this body shall be eligible. In case any of these offices become vacant between the annual meetings of the Association, the vacancy may be filled until the next following meeting by vote of the remaining officers.

2. A moderator and alternate shall be elected by ballot at each annual session, to serve from the close of that session and until the election of their successors.

3. The secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, collect the statistics of ministers and churches, and have charge of the printing thereof; distribute the publications of the Association and preserve, for the permanent use of the Association, copies of all its publications.

4. The registrar shall make the records of each meeting, and preserve them as the permanent property of the Association. He shall give suitable notice to the churches of the time and place of each session.

5. The treasurer shall receive all money raised for the use of the Association, disburse the same as directed by the auditing committee through its chairman, and present an annual report, to be audited as the Association may direct.

6. The secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer shall be, *ex officio*, members of the Association. Their travelling expenses in attending the several sessions shall be paid by the Association.

VII. ANNUAL MEETING.— The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of May, at two P. M. (or at some other more convenient hour), at such place as shall have been duly designated.

VIII. HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.— The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society may annually elect two delegates to be members of this body, while it consents that this body may nominate two persons for membership in the Executive Committee of that society.

The two persons thus nominated shall be from the membership of the Association at the time, and shall not be eligible for nomination for more than two years in succession, and shall, if required, make report concerning the work of the society at the next meeting of the Association.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE.— Official fraternal intercourse with the several State Congregational organizations, and with other denominations, is sufficiently had by the representation of this body in the National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States.

X. ORGANIZATION.— The moderator, or in his absence, the pastor of the church of the place of meeting, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until it be properly organized. The Association shall then be organized by the choice of a moderator and the session shall be opened with prayer.

XI. COMMITTEES.— The following committees shall be chosen:—

1. A Committee on Credentials, which shall be appointed by the moderator immediately after the opening of the session, to which all certificates of membership shall be referred.

2. A Committee on Nominations, to nominate the following and any other committees referred to them, except as hereinafter provided.

3. A Committee of Arrangements for the session, consisting of five, of whom two shall be from members of the Provisional Committee, to prepare the business of the session, and no business shall be introduced but through the hands or with the approval of the committee; but if said committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

4. A Provisional Committee of five, of whom the secretary or registrar shall be one, to prepare the schedule for the next annual meeting, to select a preacher for the Associational sermon, and persons to prepare such written papers as they shall deem desirable.

5. A Committee of Publication to consist of the secretary, registrar, treasurer and two other persons to be appointed at the session, which shall make provision for the printing of such documents and papers as may be necessary in the work of the Association.

6. A Committee on the Work of the Churches, which shall make report to this body at the next annual session upon the work of the churches and state of religion. This committee shall consist of nine members, three to be chosen each year, to serve for three years. The scribes of the local conferences shall be corresponding members of this committee.

7. A Committee to Audit the Accounts for the next annual meeting, which shall report the state of the treasury and the sum, in its opinion, necessary to be asked from the churches for the next ensuing year, and, through its chairman, approve all bills presented for payment.

XII. EXERCISES.—The time of the annual session shall be occupied by devotional services, the consideration of the state of religion, the wants and methods of home evangelization, addresses, and discussions of practical religious interest, and attention to the objects of benevolent enterprise sustained by the churches.

XIII. SPECIAL ORDERS.—1. At the opening of the session, on the mornings of Wednesday and Thursday, the moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the sessions of each day shall be closed with prayer or hymn.

2. The Associational sermon and Lord's Supper shall be assigned to Tuesday evening. Wednesday evening shall be devoted to exercises having special reference to the people of the place of meeting, or a sermon may be preached, the preacher to be selected by the Provisional Committee. One session of the Association, or a part thereof, shall be given to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society.

XIV. PLACE OF MEETING.— Previous to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify the place of meeting for the next year; and the church of the place of meeting selected is requested to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper in the course of the service. The Lord's Supper shall be administered generally without remarks.

XV. RULES OF ORDER.—The rules of order shall be those found in common parliamentary practice, subject, however, to the following specifications: —

1. That all reports of committees other than those named in Rule XI. shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the regular meeting, and furnished to the secretary on or before April 1st. They shall not be read at the meeting, but one hour of the session may be devoted to the discussion of these topics.

2. That no committee other than those named in Rule XI. shall be continued without a definite yearly vote of the Association, and no member of any special committee shall serve for more than two consecutive years without an enabling vote of the Association.

3. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, the moderator shall entertain motions only as follows, viz.: to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone to a time certain, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely, which several motions shall have precedence in the foregoing order.

XVI. AMENDMENTS.—1. Any of the above rules, except the first five, may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote, the proposed amendment having been submitted in writing on the day previous to that of the action.

2. Amendments to either of the first five articles shall not be made except upon their proposals in writing at the annual meeting next prior to that of action, and after notice has been sent to the several Associations, Conferences, and Churches, and by a two-thirds vote.

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IN THE PRECEDING TABLES, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, WITH THE POST-OFFICE ADDRESS OF EACH, AND WITH THE NUMBERS OF THE PAGES ON WHICH EACH NAME OCCURS IN THE STATISTICS.

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Ministers who are not reported as being members of any Association of Ministers in this State, and who have not been installed by council, are designated by a star (*).

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SPECIAL NOTICE.—If your name is not correctly printed in the preceding tables, if one Christian name is not given in full, if your ordination is not correct, or is not in its proper place, if your post-office is wrong, or if before you receive the next Year-Book your post-office is changed, or if your name is omitted from this list, the needed change or correction should be reported at once to the Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Congregational House, Boston, Mass., Secretary of the General Association of Massachusetts.

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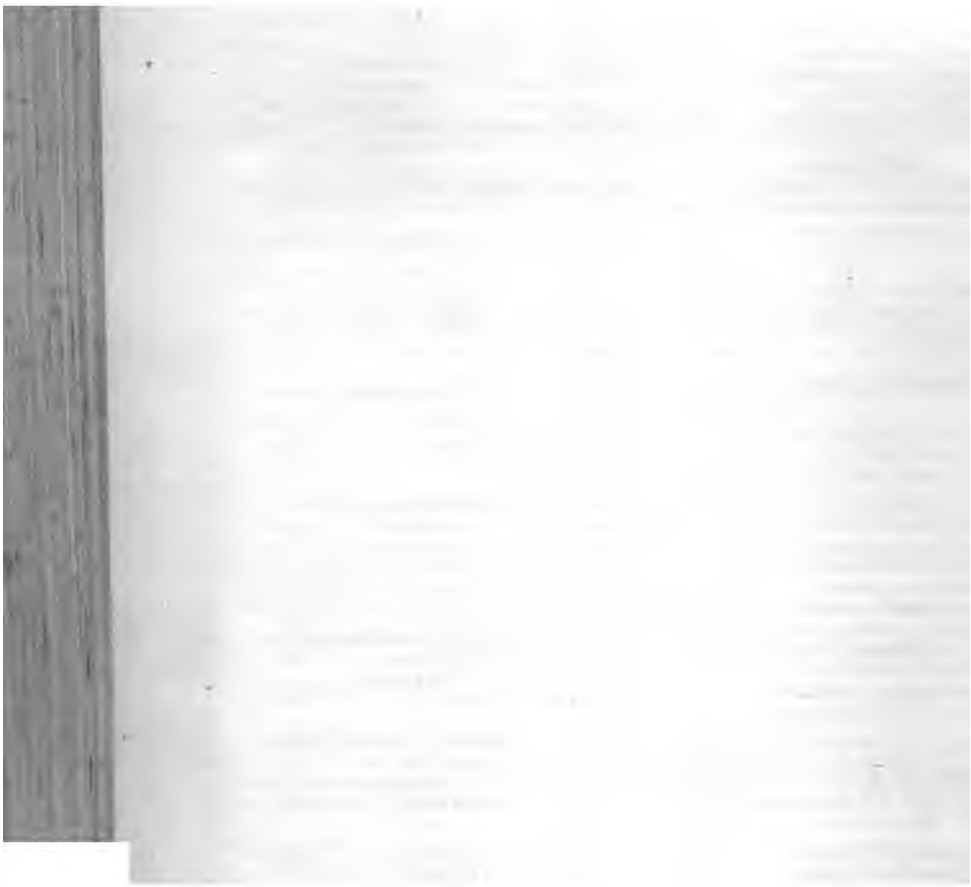

MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS

Dates from the earliest times of the Colony. Annual business meeting in the court-room of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston, at 5 P.M., on the last Wednesday in May. Sermon at 11 A.M., on the day following. At this service a collection is taken, which, with the income of the Convention fund, is distributed to the widows and daughters of deceased Congregational ministers. For 1902, Rev. C. A. Staples, of Lexington, is the appointed preacher, with Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed, of Springfield, as alternate.

Every minister of a Congregational church in Massachusetts (whether Trinitarian or Unitarian) is *ex-officio* a member of the Convention.

There is a reporting committee of twenty-five, selected by counties throughout the State, by which recommendations are made to a central committee of seven, which decides on all applications for aid.

PERMANENT OFFICERS.— Rev. Benjamin F. Hamilton, Boston (Roxbury), *scribe*, and Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *treasurer*: to either of whom applications for aid may be addressed.

MASSACHUSETTS CONGREGATIONAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY

Incorporated in 1786. Organized to hold the funds of the Convention. Composed of fifteen clergymen and fifteen laymen, elected from both branches of the Congregational body. Aids the widows and orphans of deceased Congregational clergymen who have died while holding the pastoral office in Massachusetts.

Alexander S. Wheeler, Boston, *president*; Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *secretary*; Arthur Lincoln, Boston, *treasurer*; Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Rev. Alexander McKenzie, Rev. James DeNormandie, *committee on appropriations*.

Applications for aid should be made to Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, Mass.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

MEMBERSHIP.

The special attention of the churches is called to the following RULE of the ASSOCIATION: —

V. MEMBERS. — Each evangelical Congregational church in this State may send to the Association one delegate, and each Conference and each Association in the State may appoint one delegate each year, which delegates, with the pastors of the aforesaid churches, two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the secretary, assistant secretary, registrar, assistant registrar, and treasurer, shall compose the General Association.

The following RESOLUTION was also adopted: —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that churches sending delegates to the Annual Meetings of the General Association of Congregational churches of Massachusetts shall be recommended to pay the expenses of the delegates whom they send.

A DELEGATE FROM EVERY CHURCH, with the PASTORS, would give a membership of about twelve hundred.

DISTRIBUTION OF "MINUTES."

The "Minutes" are sent to the churches by direction of the General Association. It is suggested that one copy, annually, be preserved with the records of each church, and that the remaining copies be distributed among the officers and members in the way most likely to promote an intelligent interest in the condition and prosperity of the churches.

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THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL AID

This Board had its origin in action taken by the General Association of the Congregational churches of Massachusetts in 1868, and was incorporated by an act of the Legislature in 1869.

G. Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester, is now its president; Arthur G. Stanwood, Esq., 701 Sears Building, Boston, is treasurer, to whom all contributions should be sent.

Rev. Joshua W. Wellman, Rev. Charles B. Rice, and Rev. Edwin B. Palmer, are the executive committee.

Applications for aid should be sent to Rev. Edwin B. Palmer, at Room 609, Congregational House. A small contribution is greatly needed annually from each church. Donations are also solicited from individuals. Should any one desire to leave a legacy in aid of the benevolent work of this Board, the following form of bequest will be sufficient:—

I give and devise to the Board of Ministerial Aid, incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, for the charitable uses and purposes of said Corporation, ...

No officer of this Board receives any compensation for his services. No other board, society, or organization in this Commonwealth contributes anything for the support of needy Congregational ministers. Our country gives large pensions to her needy soldiers. Why should not our churches give something for "the aid, support and comfort of their aged, disabled, superannuated, or needy ministers," and of "the widows and children of such ministers"?

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INTRODUCTORY

The scribes and statistical secretaries of the various Conferences are due this public recognition for their faithful services and honest endeavors to get the Church and Sunday school statistics into the hands of the State secretary at an early date. Only three Conferences delayed this year beyond the time limit, viz., February 15. Not until the last Conference reports can the material be collated and the totals added. On February 15, 1902, eight States had already reported to the "Year Book".

It is the intention of the secretary to make the State "Minutes" a pamphlet convenient for reference, and more and more a manual of Congregationalism for Massachusetts Congregationalists. The list of ministers' names at the end serves at once as the official list, with correct addresses, and also as an index. A general index increases the value of the "Minutes".

Several new features will be noticed in the following pages. A careful analysis of the membership of the last annual meeting will be found on page 4. A list of the past annual meetings since 1859, together with the moderators and preachers, is given on page 6. Additional statistical information is shown on page 180, where the number of persons admitted to membership in our churches is given in groups of 10, 25 and 50; also the number which did not receive any. A second paragraph gives an enumeration of the churches with respect to membership. And a third paragraph shows what amounts were received by the treasurers of our Benevolent Societies and their auxiliaries, as compared with what are reported in the Tables on pages 112-143.

This year, as last, we have printed (page 182) the donations to the American and Massachusetts Bible Societies, the figures having been furnished for this report by Rev. A. E. Colton, Field Agent for New England.

Another valuable feature is added this year in the list of our National and State Benevolent Societies on page 181, where are given the home offices and the names of the secretaries and treasurers.

The committee appointed by the last General Association to determine what papers and reports should be published in the "Minutes" selected the historical address and the three addresses on the Constructive Church. All these manuscripts were solicited, but only those of Dr. Clark and Mr. Carter were offered.

The report of the Committee on the Work of the Churches and that of the Publishing Committee were mislaid and are printed out of their natural order.

EUGENE C. WEBSTER,
Secretary.

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William B. Plunkett, of Adams	MODERATOR.
Seba A. Holton, of Falmouth	VICE-MODERATOR.
Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain	SECRETARY.
Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston	REGISTRAR.
Rev. Almon J. Dyer, of Sharon	ASSISTANT REGISTRAR.
Henry P. Emerson, of Lynn	TREASURER.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Secretary, the Registrar, the Assistant Registrar, the Treasurer, *ex-officiis*, and Rev. Edwin N. Hardy, of Quincy; Rev. Calvin M. Clark, of Haverhill; Rev. Andrew W. Archibald, of Brockton.

APPORTIONMENT OF EXPENSES

The churches are requested to contribute through the treasurers of their Conferences for the expenses of the General Association a sum equivalent to five cents for each member, based upon the *total* membership of January 1, 1902 (as printed in the Statistics of the Churches, on pages 112–142); and the treasurers of the Conferences are requested to forward the amounts as soon as possible to Mr. Henry P. Emerson, 69 Bedford Street, Boston, the treasurer of the Association.

NUMBER OF DELEGATES AT PLYMOUTH

250 Churches, represented by	204 Pastors 170 Delegates	374
15 Associations " "	15 Clergymen	15
15 Conferences " "	8 Clergymen 7 Laymen	15
4 Officers " "	3 Clergymen 1 Layman	4
Mass. Home Missionary Soc'y, represented by	1 Clergyman 1 Layman	2
Total number of credentials received		410
Persons representing more than one body		20
Number of persons delegated		390
Of whom there were: Clergymen		223
Laymen		167

COMMITTEES OF THE ASSOCIATION, 1902–1903

Provisional Committee for 1903.— Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; Rev. Leon D. Bliss, of Great Barrington; Rev. R. DeWitt Mallary, of Housatonic; Dea. E. J. Van Lenuep, of Great Barrington; Dea. A. W. Selkirk, of Great Barrington.

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On Ministerial Standing.— Rev. Albert E. Dunning, of Brookline; Rev. Merle A. Breed, of Weymouth; Rev. John A. MacColl, of New Bedford; Rev. William C. Gordon, of Westfield.

On the Nomination of Candidates for Corporate Membership in the A. B. C. F. M. — Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed, of Springfield; Rev. Alford B. Penniman, of Adams; Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard, of Gloucester; Prin. W. A. Baldwin, of Hyannis; Frederick Fosdick, of Fitchburg.

Committee to Co-operate with the Committee of the Church of the Pilgrimage on the Proposed Memorial Church.— Samuel B. Capen, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. William H. Davis, of Newton; G. Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester.

On the Work of the Churches.— Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. Joshua Coit, of Winchester; George H. Shaw, of Middleboro; Rev. William E. Strong, of Amherst; Charles Liffien, of Roxbury.

On Gambling.— Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. William T. McElveen, of Boston; Arthur H. Wellman, of Malden; Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale; Rev Richard G. Woodbridge, of Somerville; Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River; William Shaw, of Ballardvale.

On Temperance Legislation.— Judge William T. Forbes, of Worcester; J. W. Fairbanks, of Amherst; Rev. William A. Knight, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Edwin H. Byington, of Beverly; John Albree Jr., of Swampscott.

On Labor Organizations.— Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cambridge; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; Rev. Frederick H. Page, of Lawrence; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, of Reading; Rev. Ernest M Bartlett, of Kingston.

On Terms or Methods of Pastoral Installation.— Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. William R. Campbell, of Roxbury; Rev. George W. Winch, of Holyoke; Hon. Robert R. Bishop, of Newton; Prin Joseph H. Sawyer, of Easthampton.

On Sunday Observance.— George D. Chamberlain, of Springfield; Rev. Adolph A. Berle, of Brighton; Rev. William H. Allbright, of Dorchester.

Board of Pastoral Supply.— TERM EXPIRES IN 1903: Charles E. Swett, of Winchester; George E. Keith, of Brockton; E. W. Chapin, of Holyoke; Arthur E. Gray, of Worcester. TERM EXPIRES IN 1904: John L. Brewster, of Andover; Rev. Frederick E Emrich, of South Framingham; Rev. John H. Lockwood, of Westfield; Rev. William L Tenney, of North Adams. TERM EXPIRES IN 1905: Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. Ozora S. Davis, of Newtonville; J. W. Fairbanks, of Amherst; Henry H. Proctor, of Boston.

On Missionary Work.— Rev. Frank R. Shipman, of Andover; Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of North Falmouth; Rev. Raymond Calkins, of Pittsfield; Bennett T. Gale, of Lee; Rev. J. Howard Gaylord, of West Brookfield; Rev. Calvin M. Clark, of Haverhill; Rev. Arthur J. Covell, of Lynn; Rev Edward A. Robinson, of Buckland; Rev. Herbert P Woodin, of Chicopee; Rev. Arthur B. Patten, of South Hadley; Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath, of Franklin; Rev. Frederic E Sturgis, of Natick; Rev. Robert M. Woods, of Hatfield; Rev. George A. Tewksbury, of Concord; Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Milton; Rev. George W. Stearns, of Middleboro; Rev. D. Melancthon James, of Plymouth; Rev. Robert A. MacFadden, of Chelsea; Rev. George H. Flint, of Dorchester; Amos Andrews, of Waltham; Rev. Charles A. Ratcliffe, of Norton; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, of Reading; Rev. David C. Reid, of Leicester; Rev. Burton S. Gilman, of Gardner; Rev. George P. Eastman, of Millbury.

THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

The one hundred first annual meeting of the Massachusetts General Association will be held with the church in Great Barrington, May 20-22, 1903.

PAST ANNUAL MEETINGS

YEAR.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	PREACHER.
1859	Pittsfield	George W. Blagden	Joseph C. Bodwell
1860	Holliston	Samuel G. Buckingham	Ezekiel Russell
1861	Springfield	Seth Sweetser	Eli Thurston
1861	Ware	John P. Cleveland	Aaron M. Colton
1861	Newburyport	Samuel G. Buckingham	Edward N. Kirk
1862	New Bedford	Emerson Davis	William S. Tyler
1862	Newton	Dea. William Thurston	Ebenezer Cutler
1863	No. Middleboro	Abijah P. Marvin	Lewis Sabin
1863	Worcester	Charles Demond	Julius H. Seelye
1864	Springfield	Nahum Gale	Martin S. Howard
1864	Fall River	George F. Homer	Zachary Eddy
1865	Westfield	John Pike	Elbridge G. Little
1865	Haverhill	Andrew L. Stone	Andrew L. Stone
1866	Newburyport	Alonzo H. Quint	Erastus Maltby
1866	Northampton	Samuel T. Seelye	Augustus C. Thompson
1867	Greenfield	Edward Strong	George R. Leavitt
1867	Fitchburg		Edwin B. Webb
1868	Lowell	Charles T. Russell	Nahum Gale
1869	Woburn	Ariel E. P. Perkins	John L. Taylor
1870	Taunton	Samuel T. Seelye	George T. Dole
1871	Easthampton	Joshua W. Wellman	Joshua Coit
1872	Pittsfield	Joshua T. Tucker	John W. Dodge
1873	Natick	James H. Means	Samuel J. Spalding
1874	Lynn	William C. Plunkett	Edward S. Atwood
1875	Amherst	Paul A. Chadbourne	Charles S. Brooks
1876	Lowell	Washington Gladden	Bradford M. Fullerton
1877	Chelsea	Joshua N. Marshall	Henry Hopkins
1878	Fall River	Samuel J. Spalding	John H. Bisbee
1879	Worcester	James White	Alexander McKenzie
1880	Salem	William Hyde	B. Franklin Hamilton
1881	Springfield	Daniel T. Fiske	Reuen Thomas
1882	Fitchburg	Alonzo H. Quint	William H. Tucker
1883	Roxbury	Ezra A. Stevens	Julius H. Seelye
1884	North Adams	Charles B. Rice	Daniel Merriman
1885	New Bedford	Charles A. Richardson	Joseph T Duryea
1886	Westfield	Lyman S. Rowland	William E. Griffis
1887	Brockton	Ariel E. P. Perkins	David O. Means
1888	Spencer	Edward J. Thomas	Charles A. Dickinson
1889	Newburyport	J. L. Jenkins	Arthur Little
1890	Holyoke	Alonzo H. Quint	Wolcott Calkins
1891	Marlboro	Gilbert E. Hood	Edward G. Seldon
1892	Springfield	DeWitt S. Clark	Samuel E. Herrick
1893	Boston	Thomas Weston	Paul Van Dyke
1894	Pittsfield	Elijah Horr	George A. Gordon
1895	Lynn	Elijah A. Morse	Philip S. Moxom
1896	Fall River	Smith Baker	DeWitt S. Clark
1897	Worcester	Thomas Todd	Charles E. Jefferson
1898	Greenfield	G. R. W. Scott	Arcturus Z. Conrad
1899	Brockton	John L. Brewster	Edward L. Clark
1900	Amherst	Philip S. Moxom	William H. Davis
1901	Andover	Henry M Moore	Reuen Thomas
1902	Plymouth	Charles H. Beale	George A. Gordon

RULES OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I. — NAME.

This body shall be called THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.

ARTICLE II. — OBJECT.

Its object is to promote (a) intercourse and fellowship between congregational ministers and churches of the Commonwealth; (b) the co-operation of the churches with one another for their mutual comfort and development, and for the religious care of the home field; (c) the presentation and discussion of matters vital to our faith, and the interests of our denomination; and (d) the co-operation of this body with other ecclesiastical bodies for the general increase of Christian union and spiritual efficiency, and the advancement of Christ's kingdom in the earth.

ARTICLE III. — DOCTRINAL BASIS.

This Association agrees to the Declaration of Faith adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches in the year 1865, the doctrines therein set forth being understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the gospel.

ARTICLE IV. — DENOMINATIONAL BASIS.

Being based exclusively upon Congregational principles, this Association shall, under no circumstances, exercise ecclesiastical authority over churches or individuals, or interfere with the government or discipline of the churches, or consent to hear appeals, or give advice in ecclesiastical causes of any kind.

ARTICLE V. — MEMBERS.

1. Each evangelical Congregational Church, Conference, and Association in this Commonwealth may choose one delegate, and these delegates, together with the pastors of the churches (who shall be members *ex-officio*), the officers of this body, and two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, shall constitute the General Association.

2. Delegates from corresponding bodies, ministers appointed to preach before the Association, and chairmen of committees who attend to present reports, together with such other persons as the Association may vote to admit, shall be honorary members, with the privilege of speaking, but without vote.

ARTICLE VI. — Officers.

1. The officers shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, a Secretary, a Registrar, an Assistant Registrar, and a Treasurer. All members of Congregational churches in this Commonwealth shall be eligible to any of these offices. The officers shall be elected by ballot, the moderator and vice-moderator each to serve one year, the other officers each to serve three years, and until the election of their successors. The term of all officers, save when chosen to fill vacancies, shall begin at the close of the meeting at which they are elected.

2. The officers, together with three delegates annually chosen by ballot for this purpose, shall constitute an Executive Committee.

3. The Moderator, or in his absence, the Vice-Moderator, shall preside over all the meetings of the Association and shall be chairman of the Executive Committee.

4. (a) The Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, collect and publish in connection with the annual Minutes the statistics of ministers and churches, distribute the publications of the Association, copies of which he shall preserve for permanent use, give suitable notice to the churches of the time and place of each annual meeting, notify officers and committees of their election or appointment, and fulfil such other functions as the Association may from time to time direct.

(b) The Secretary shall receive a salary of seven hundred and fifty dollars, and by the authority and under the direction of the Executive Committee, he may, when necessary, employ an assistant, at a compensation to be fixed by the Executive Committee.

5. The Registrar shall keep a full record of each meeting, which he shall preserve as the permanent property of the Association, and he shall also keep the minutes of the Executive Committee.

6. The Assistant Registrar shall aid the Registrar in making the records ; shall take his place during his absence ; and, in the event of a vacancy in the Registrar's office, shall act as Registrar until the office shall be filled by the Executive Committee or by a regular election.

7. The Treasurer shall receive all money raised for the use of the Association, disburse the same as directed by the Executive Committee, and shall make an annual report, to be audited as the Association may direct.

8. The Executive Committee shall have charge of all the interests and business of the Association between the annual meetings, shall fill all vacancies occurring during the interim, and shall make an annual report to the Association through the Secretary.

9. The travelling expenses of the Secretary, Registrar, Assistant Registrar and Treasurer, in attending the annual meetings, shall be paid by the Association.

ARTICLE VII. — ANNUAL MEETING.

1. The annual meeting shall be held at the appointed place on the third Tuesday of May at two o'clock P. M., or at such other hour as the Executive Committee may find expedient.

2. In the practical administration of its home missionary work, the instrument of the Association shall be the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, a place for which shall be made in the program of the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. — ORGANIZATION.

The Moderator, or in his absence, the Vice-Moderator, shall call the Association to order. In the absence of both, any member of the Executive Committee may call the Association to order, and a moderator *pro tem.* shall be chosen to serve during the absence of the proper officer.

ARTICLE IX. — COMMITTEES.

1. Immediately after the opening of the annual meeting the Moderator shall appoint: —

(a) A Committee on Credentials, to which all credentials shall be referred.

(b) A Committee on Nominations, which shall nominate all the officers of the Association, all standing committees, as hereinafter provided, and all other committees raised by the Association.

(c) A Committee on Business, of which two shall be chosen from the Provisional Committee. The duty of the Business Committee shall be to prepare and present the schedule of business for each session, and no business shall be introduced except through the hands or with the approval of this committee; provided, however, that if the Business Committee shall decline to present any matter proposed by a member of this Association he shall have the right of appeal to the Association.

(d) A Budget Committee of three, which shall report before the close of the meeting on the state of the treasury, the amount of money needed for the ensuing year, and ways and means for meeting the need.

2. The following Standing Committees shall be nominated by the Committee on Nominations: —

(a) A Provisional Committee, of which the Secretary or Registrar shall be a member. This committee shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting, selecting the preacher of the annual sermon, and the various speakers for each session.

(b) A Publication Committee, of which the Secretary and Registrar shall be members, which shall make provision for the printing of such documents and papers as may be necessary in the work of the Association, or as shall be ordered printed by the Association. Under the direction of this committee the Secretary shall have charge of all the printing of the Association.

(c) A Committee on the Work of the Churches. This committee shall report on the work of the churches and the state of religion in the Commonwealth. The Scribes of the Local Conferences shall be corresponding members of this committee.

(d) A Committee on Missionary work, to consist of one member from each Conference.

(e) A Committee to nominate candidates for corporate membership of the American Board.

(f) A Committee to audit the Treasurer's report.

3. Each of these committees, save as otherwise provided above, shall consist of five members, and shall be elected annually by *viva voce* vote, all, save those named by the Moderator, to serve the ensuing year.

4. All reports of Standing Committees, except committees (a) and (e), shall be furnished to the Secretary on or before April 1st of each year, and shall be printed and distributed to the churches not less than two weeks before the annual meeting.

These reports shall not be read to the Association save by special order; but the Provisional Committee may arrange for the adequate discussion of any or all of the topics presented in the reports.

ARTICLE X. — Board of Pastoral Supply.

1. The Association may create a Board of Pastoral Supply to consist of twelve members, four of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three years.

2. This board may choose its own secretary and through it shall make an annual report to the Association.

A copy of this report shall be furnished to the Secretary of the Association in time to be printed before the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XI. — Special Orders.

1. Each session of the annual meeting shall be opened and closed with divine worship.

2. On each morning of the annual meeting, after the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall he read ; the minutes of the last day shall be read immediately before the final adjournment.

3. On Tuesday evening of each annual meeting the annual sermon shall be preached, followed by the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

4. The place of the next annual meeting shall be recommended each year by the Business Committee and designated by vote of the Association.

ARTICLE XII. — Rules of Order.

The Rules of Order shall be those of common parliamentary usage, subject to the following specifications : —

1. No members shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave of the Association.

2. When a question is before the Association the Moderator shall entertain motions only as follows : — To adjourn, to table, for the previous question, to postpone to a fixed time, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely ; these several motions shall have precedence in the foregoing order.

ARTICLE XIII. — Amendments.

1. Any of the above articles, except the first five, may be amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote, provided that the proposed amendment shall have been submitted to the Association in writing on the day previous.

2. Either of the first five articles may be amended by a two-thirds vote, but only after the proposed amendment has been submitted to the Association in writing at the previous annual meeting, and notice has been sent to the several Associations, Conferences and Churches connected with this body at least three months prior to the meeting at which action is to be taken.

MINUTES

THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS met for its one hundredth annual session with the Church of the Pilgrimage, Plymouth, Tuesday, May 20, 1902.

ROLL OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION

DELEGATES FROM THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	DELEGATES.
Abington	Rev. DeMont Goodyear	William S. O'Brien
Acton	Rev. Bernard Copping	Mrs. Bernard Copping
Adams	Rev. Alford B. Penniman	Francis E. Mole
Amherst, First	Rev. William E. Strong	Joseph W. Fairbanks
" **South**		George H. Atkins
Andover, South	Rev. Frank R. Shipman	John L. Brewster
" **Ballardville**	Rev. Edwin Smith	William Shaw
" Seminary	Rev. Egbert C. Smyth	Prof. E. G. Hincks
Ashby	Rev. Herbert W. Boyd	Dea. Walter J. Smith
Ashland	Rev. Frederick M. Cutler	Miss Lillian Metcalf
Athol	Rev. Rolla G. Bugbee	Mrs. Rolla G. Bugbee
Attleboro, Second	Rev. J. Lee Mitchell	
Ayer	Rev. Wayland Spaulding	
Barnstable, **West**	Rev. Edgar B. French	
" **Centreville**	Rev. Bartlett H. Weston	
Barre		Rev. John W. Norris
Bedford	Rev. Frank B. McAllister	
Belchertown		Miss Edith L. Towne
Belmont, **Waverley**	Rev. George P. Gilman	George P. Armstrong
Berlin	Rev. Arthur P. Pratt	
Bernardston		Alonzo Alford
Beverly, Dane Street	Rev. Edwin H. Byington	Dea. J. H. Baker
Boston, Old South	Rev. George A. Gordon	Loring Crocker
" Union		John Porteous
" Phillips, **South**		Theodore O. Cornish
" Berkeley Temple	Rev. William A. Knight	
" **Brighton**	Rev. Adolph A. Berle	Dea. G. A. Fuller
" Eliot, **Roxbury**	Rev. Winfred C. Rhoades	Dea. Timothy Smith
" **West Roxbury**	Rev. Frank W. Merrick	
" Maverick, **East**	Rev. Oren D. Fisher	Stanley B. Fisher
" Shawmut	Rev. Wm. T. McElveen	Benjamin F. Dewing
" Central, **Jam. Plain**		Rev. Cyrus P. Osborne
" Immanuel, **Roxb'y**	Rev. Charles H. Beale	F. J. Ward

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	DELEGATES.
Boston, Trinity, **Neponset**		Harry G. Dixon
" Pilgrim, **Dorch'r**	Rev. Wm. H. Allbright	Emery G. Plummer
" Highland, **Roxb'y**	Rev. Wm. C. Campbell	
" Walnut Av., **Roxb'y**	Rev. Albert H. Plumb	William L. Greene
" Boylston, **J. Plain**		George W. Fowle
" **Roslindale**	Rev. J. Spenc'r Voorhees	Mrs. A. T. Chandler
Braintree, First	Rev. Fred'k W. Burrows	John Barbour
Brockton, First		Warren Tirrell
" South, **Campello**	Rev. Albert F. Pierce	Herbert Holmes
" Waldo		Bradford H. Nash
" Wendell Avenue	Rev. James Lade	Mrs. Thomas Brooks
" Lincoln	Rev. Sebastian D. Turner	W. B. Howell
Brookline, Leyden	Rev. Harris G. Hale	Rev. H. A. Bridgman
Cambridge, First	Rev. Alexander McKenzie	H. Porter Smith
" Prospect Street	Rev. Reuben A. Beard	George B. Caswell
" North Avenue	Rev. Daniel Evans	Charles H. Shute
" Pilgrim	Rev. William H. Spence	
" Wood Memorial	Rev. Charles H. Williams	Dea. Abijah R. Buck
" Hope	Rev. Richard B. Grover	
Carver, **North**	Rev. Oscar F. Stetson	Benjamin W. Robbins
Chelsea, First	Rev. Ross C. Houghton	Dea. Edgar H. Pray
" Central	Rev. Rob't A. MacFadden	
" Third		Alonzo C. Tenney
Chicopee, Second, **Falls**		N. P. Ames Carter
" Third	Rev. Herbert P. Woodin	Melzar H. Mosman
Clinton		Dea. F. P. Breed
Concord	Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury	Dea. Thomas Todd
Conway	Rev. Eugene F. Hunt	
Dalton	Rev. George W. Andrews	Mrs. S. I. Parker
Danvers	Rev. Harry C. Adams	George H. Peabody
Dedham	Rev. Edward H. Rudd	Charles B. Botsford
Douglass, **East**	Rev. Charles P. Pierce	
Duxbury	Rev. Henry B. Mason	Mrs. W. S. Freeman
East Bridgewater	Rev. W. S. A. Miller	George M. Keith
Easton, **Centre**	Rev. Augustus H. Fuller	
Edgartown	Rev. Chas. L. Woodworth	Dea. Wm. C. Nevin
Essex	Rev. Edward A. Lathrop	
Everett, First	Rev. William I. Sweet	Dea. H. P. Parkhurst
" Mystic Side	Rev. Charles H. Percival	
Fall River, Fowler	Rev. Payson W. Lyman	
" " *French*		Joseph M. Adam
" " Broadway	Rev. James E. Enman	
Falmouth, First	Rev. John H. Quint	Dea. Seba A. Holton
" **North**	Rev. Ezra N. Smith	
Fitchburg, Calvinist	Rev. A. Fred'k Dunnels	
" Rollstone	Rev. William O. Conrad	S. N. Weston
Framingham, **South**	Rev. Fred'k E. Emrich	Dea. B. T. Thompson
Franklin, First	Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath	
Gardner	Rev. Burton S. Gilman	
Gloucester, Trinity		Miss Mary Brooks
" **Lanesville**	Rev. Frank H. Reed	Joseph K. Dustin
" **Magnolia**		Mrs. Arthur M. Lycett
Granby	Rev. Robert C. Bell	
Granville, **East**	Rev. David L. Kebbe	Mrs. David L. Kebbe
Great Barrington	Rev. Leon D. Bliss	

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	DELEGATES.
Greenfield, Second		Dea. Emil Weissbrod
Hanover, **West**	Rev. Edward D. Disbrow	Henry McNayr
" Four Corners	Rev. John Wild	H. B. Barstow
Hanson	Rev. Roland D. Sawyer	Miss Joseph'e P. Estes
Hardwick	Rev. Harlan Page	
Haverhill, **Bradford**		Prof. Isaac N. Carleton
" West	Rev. John N. Lowell	
" Centre	Rev. Calvin M. Clark	Dea. Albert Emerson
" North		Leonard W. Smith
Heath	Rev. Daniel B. Wyman	
Hingham	Rev. O. E. Van Slyke	Mrs. Geo. E. Kimball
Holbrook	Rev. W. W. Dornan	Farrington Holbrook
Holden	Rev. Thomas E. Babb	
Holyoke, First		James H. Wylie, Jr.
" Second	Rev. George W. Winch	E. P. Bagg
Hopkinton	Rev. James B. King	
Hyde Park	Rev. Henry N. Hoyt	Henry D. Noyes
Ipswich, First	Rev. Edward Constant	
Kingston	Rev. Ernest M. Bartlett	Miss G. F. Waterman
Lawrence, Trinity	Rev. Frederick H. Page	Miss Clara F. Prescott
" United	Rev. Herbert G. Mank	Charles H. Bean
Lee		Edward S. Rogers
Leicester	Rev. David C. Reid	Rev. Albert Warren
Leominster	Rev. Lawrence Phelps	
Lexington	Rev. Charles F. Carter	Edward P. Merriam
Longmeadow	Rev. Henry L. Bailey	William F. Emerson
Lowell, Kirk Street		Henry A. Smith
" *French*	Rev. Thomas G. A. Côtè	Mrs. Emma S. E. Côtè
Ludlow, Union	Rev. Thomas D. McLean	Mrs. Thos. D. McLean
Lynn, First		Dea. R. H. Mansfield
" Central	Rev. Charles F. Weeden	
" North	Rev. Arthur J. Covell	
Malden, First	Rev. Henry H. French	Dea. Ezra A. Stevens
" **Maplewood**	Rev. Chas. S. Macfarland	
Manchester	Rev. Walter H. Ashley	Joseph H. Torrey
Mansfield	Rev. William M. Macnair	Mrs. Wm. M. Macnair
Marblehead		Nathan P. Sanborn
Marion	Rev. Harry L. Brickett	Dea. Wm. A. Andrew
Marlboro		George L. Patterson
Marshfield, First	Rev. Burton A. Lucas	Dea. John H. Bourne
" **Hills**		Israel H. Hatch
Maynard		Mrs. Helen B. Curtis
Medfield	Rev. Leroy M. Pierce	Miss B.C. Chamberlain
Medford, Mystic	Rev. Elijah Horr	Daniel W. Wilcox
" **West**	Rev. Judson V. Clancey	Dea. R. D. Kimball
Medway Village	Rev. R. W. Drawbridge	Mrs. R.W. Drawbridge
Melrose		Dea. Moses S. Page
" **Highlands**	Rev. Burke F. Leavitt	Dea. Sam'l Thurston
Methuen	Rev. Chas. H. Oliphant	Harry E. Moore
Middleboro, First	Rev. George W. Stearns	A. H. Soule
" **North**	Rev. Chas. L. Tomblen	Dea. Augustus Pratt
" Central		George H. Shaw
Middleton	Rev. Leslie C. Greeley	Clinton P. Stiles
Millbury, Second	Rev. George P. Eastman	Amos Armsby
Millis	Rev. Albert H. Wheelock	Mrs. A. H. Wheelock

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	DELEGATES.
Milton	Rev. H. S. Huntington	Herbert B. Tucker
Monson	Rev. N. Miller Pratt	Mrs. N. Miller Pratt
Nantucket	Rev. Fred. W. Manning	Mrs. F. W. Manning
Natick		Mrs. Harry F. Gibbs
" **South**	Rev. Arthur J. Benedict	
New Bedford, Trinitarian		Rev. Wm. Carruthers
Newbury	Rev. Charles S. Holton	
Newburyport, North	Rev. E. E. Shoemaker	
" Whitefield	Rev. Frank G. Alger	Dea. D. S. Burley
Newton, First, **Centre**	Rev. Edward M. Noyes	Rev. William H. Cobb
" Eliot	Rev. William H. Davis	Gorham D. Gilman
" **Auburndale**		Rev. A. P. Foster
" North	Rev. Henry E. Oxnard	
" **Newtonville**	Rev. Ozora S. Davis	Miss A. A. Sherman
" **Highlands**	Rev. George T. Smart	Dea. Wm. C. Strong
Norfolk	Rev. Edson J. Moore	
North Andover	Rev. Henry A. Barnes	Dea. D. W. Carney
North Attleboro, **A. Falls**	Rev. Zenas Crowell	
" " Trinity	Rev. Henry C. McComas	
Northbridge, **Whitinsville**	Rev. John R. Thurston	
Norton	Rev. Charles A. Ratcliffe	
Norwood	Rev. Edward C. Ewing	
Oakham		Jesse Allen
Orleans	Rev. Everett I. Rackett	
Oxford		Dea. John E. Kimball
Peabody, South	Rev. George A. Hall	
Peabody, Second, **South**	Rev. Lewis J. Thomas	
Pepperell	Rev. J. Brainerd Thrall	
Petersham	Rev. Preston R. Crowell	Miss Anna S. Dawes
Phillipston	Rev. Irving A. Burnap	
Pittsfield, First		Charles E. West
Plymouth, Pilgrimage	Rev. D. Melancthon James	Dea. Richard McLean
" **Manomet**	Rev. Haig Adadourian	Mrs. D. H. Babcock
" **Chiltonville**	Rev. Frederick B. Noyes	
Plympton	Rev. Fenton E. Frazee	Dea. J. Fred Ellis
Princeton	Rev. Charles A. White	
Quincy, Bethany	Rev. Edwin N. Hardy	Dea. Richard D. Chase
" Park & Downs		Mrs. M. Emma Gram
Randolph	Rev. Charles A. Hilton	Miss Augusta B. Wales
Raynham	Rev. Avery K. Gleason	Edward B. King
Reading	Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell	Rev. R. W. Haskins
Rochester, First	Rev. Truman D. Childs	
" **North**	Rev. John P. Trowbridge	
Rockland	Rev. Edgar C. Wheeler	Mrs. C. R. Wheeler
Rockport, First	Rev. Israel Ainsworth	George M. Haskins
Royalston	Rev. Francis J. Fairbanks	
Salem, Tabernacle	Rev. DeWitt S. Clark	Dea. David Choate
" South	Rev. James F. Brodie	Dea. William Leonard
" Crombie Street	Rev. John W. Buckham	
Sandisfield	Rev. A. Ray Atwood	
" **New Boston**	Rev. A. Ray Atwood	
Sharon	Rev. Almon J. Dyer	
Shirley	Rev. Joseph Torrey	
Shrewsbury	Rev. Arthur H. Sedgwick	
Somerville, Prospect Hill	Richard G. Woodbridge	Mrs. E. F. Hammond

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	DELEGATES.
Southboro	Rev. Martin F. Mevis	
Southbridge	Rev. Willis A. Hadley	Mrs. Willis A. Hadley
South Hadley	Rev. Arthur B. Patten	
" " **Falls**	Rev. G. Walter Fiske	Mrs. G. Walter Fiske
Spencer	Rev. C. J. Hawkins	Charles N. Prouty
Springfield, South		Dea. G. D. Chamberlain
" Hope	Rev. Samuel H. Woodrow	Rev. Albert A. Kidder
" Emmanuel		Dea. Nelson Lombard
" Park		Rev. W. S. Hawkes
Sterling	Rev. Charles B. Toleman	Mrs. Geo. H. Keyes
Stockbridge	Rev. Elbert S. Porter	
Stoneham	Rev. B. Alfred Dumm	John Ervin
Sunderland	Rev. Edward P. Butler	
Swampscott	Rev. D. Emery Burtner	
Taunton, Trinitarian	Rev. Francis A. Fate	Elijah E. Richards
" Winslow	Rev. Charles H. Talmage	Wm. W. Waterman
" **East**	Rev. Halah H. Loud	Mrs. Halah H. Loud
Tewksbury	Rev. J. Herbert Yeoman	Mrs. J. H. Yeoman
Topsfield	Rev. Herbert J. Wyckoff	Leone P. Welch
Townsend	Rev. Benj. A. Willmott	
Upton	Rev. Alexander Wiswall	Dea. E. A. Baldwin
Wakefield	Rev. Albert P. Davis	
Ware, East	Rev. Austin B. Bassett	J. V. Anthony
Wareham	Rev. Wendell P. Elkins	Dea. Almon H. Stone
Webster	Rev. Andrew Campbell	
Wellesley		F. B. Ingraham
" **Hills**	Rev. Parris T. Farwell	Arthur L. Manchester
Westboro	Rev. John J. Walker	William A. Sanford
West Boylston	Rev. J. Howard Gaylord	
Westfield, First		James C. Greenough
" Second		William A. Bliss
Westport	Rev. George P. Byington	Mrs. G. P. Byington
W. Springfield, **Mittineague**	Rev. A. M. Spangler	
Westwood, **Islington**	Rev. Warren F. Bickford	
Weymouth, First, **Heights**	Rev. Ralph J. Haughton	James L. Wilder
" Old South, **South**	Rev. Henry C. Alvord	
" Union, **South**	Rev. Frank E. Butler	J. Burton Reed
" Pilgrim, **North**	Rev. Thomas H. Vincent	
" **East**	Rev. Edward Norton	Isaac N. Colby
Whitman	Rev. Edward C. Camp	Dea. A. H. Gurney
Wilmington	Rev. Walter H. Rollins	
Winchendon, North	Rev. Charles C. Merrill	
Winchester	Rev. D. Augustine Newton	
Woburn, First	Rev. Stephen A. Norton	F. B. Richardson
Worcester, Central		Rev. Elbridge Mix
" Summer St.	Rev. Orange C. Bailey	
" Plymouth		Rev. Rufus M. Taft
" Pilgrim		Horace Hobbs
" Park	Rev. Inman L. Willcox	Ezra Sawyer
" Hope	Rev. Ellsworth W. Phillips	
Wrentham	Rev. William J. Minchin	
Yarmouth	Rev. George H. Ewing	Dea. E. D. Payne

DELEGATES FROM THE ASSOCIATIONS.

Berkshire		
Berkshire South	Rev. Leon D. Bliss	Great Barrington
Cape Cod	Rev. Ezra N. Smith	North Falmouth
Essex North		
Essex South and Salem	Rev. George A. Hall	Peabody
Hampshire		
Hampshire East	Rev. Robert C. Bell	Granby
Mendon	Rev. Ephraim O. Jameson	Boston
Middlesex South	Rev. William E. Locke	Wellesley
Middlesex Union	Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury	Concord
Norfolk	Rev. Albert F. Pierce	Campello
Old Colony	Rev. Harry L. Brickett	Marion
Plymouth	Rev. Roland D. Sawyer	Hanson
Suffolk North	Rev. Robert W. Wallace	East Somerville
Suffolk South	Rev. Benj. F. Hamilton	Roxbury
Suffolk West	Rev. Wm. T. McElveen	Boston
Taunton	Rev. Francis A. Fate	Taunton
Worcester		
Worcester North	Rev. Burton S. Gilman	Gardner
Worcester South		

DELEGATES FROM THE CONFERENCES.

Andover		
Barnstable	Dea. Seba N. Holton	Falmouth
Berkshire North		
Berkshire South	Rev. Elbert S. Porter	Stockbridge
Brookfield		
Essex North	D. S. Burley	Newburyport
Essex South		
Franklin		
Hampden		
Hampshire		
Hampshire East		
Mendon	Dea. A. A. Westcott	Milford
Middlesex South	Rev. Charles S. Brooks	Wellesley
Middlesex Union	Rev. Joseph Torrey	Shirley
Norfolk	John E. Bradley	Randolph
Old Colony	Rev. Wendell P. Elkins	Wareham
Pilgrim	Rev. Frank O. Stetson	Carver
Suffolk North	Samuel Usher	Cambridge
Suffolk South	Rev. Perley B. Davis	West Roxbury
Suffolk West	Rev. Ozora S. Davis	Newtonville
Taunton		
Woburn	Dea. H. N. Ackerman	West Medford
Worcester Central	Dea. John E. Kimball	Oxford
Worcester North	Rev. Charles C. Merrill	Winchendon
Worcester South		

DELEGATES FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. Joshua Coit	Winchester
S. B. Carter	Brighton

MEMBERS, EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster	Jamaica Plain	Secretary
Hamilton S. Conant	Boston	Asst. Sec'y, *pro tem.*
Rev. Francis J. Marsh	Boston	Registrar
Rev. Almon J. Dyer	Sharon	Assistant Registrar

ORGANIZATION.

The Association was called to order by Rev. D. Melancthon James, pastor of the entertaining church, at 2.45 P. M., Tuesday, May 20. The hymn, "Ye Servants of God," was sung, and prayer was offered by Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, of Melrose Highlands.

As the moderator and alternate elected at the last annual meeting were both unable to be present, Rev. Charles H. Beale, of Roxbury, was elected moderator for the session.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Tellers were appointed by the moderator as follows: —

Rev. George P. Eastman, of Millbury; E. A. Baldwin, of Upton; Rev. Cyrus P. Osborne, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Willis A. Hadley, of Southbridge; Rev. Edgar C. Wheeler, of Rockland; Rev. Arthur J. Covell, of Lynn.

The committee on credentials was appointed as follows: —

Rev. James F. Brodie, of Salem; Rev. Oren D. Fisher, of East Boston; Rev. Albert F. Pierce, of Brockton; William Shaw, of Ballardville; Thomas Todd, of Concord.

The following brethren were appointed as nominating committee: —

Rev. David C. Reid, of Leicester; Rev. John J. Walker, of Westboro; Rev. Walter H. Ashley, of Manchester; Rev. William R. Campbell, of Roxbury; Rev. G. Walter Fiske, of South Hadley Falls.

The following business committee was appointed: —

Rev. D. Melancthon James, of Plymouth; Rev. Frederick B. Noyes, of Plymouth; Rev. Burke F. Leavitt, of Melrose Highlands; Timothy Smith, of Roxbury; Rev. Charles H. Oliphant, of Methuen.

PROGRAM ADOPTED.

The program of the provisional committee was adopted as printed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The report of the secretary was then read and referred to the business committee.

TREASURER'S AND AUDITOR'S REPORTS.

The report of the treasurer was read by Daniel W. Wilcox of the auditing committee. To this was appended the report of the auditors and both reports were referred to the business committee.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Hamilton S. Conant, of Boston, was elected assistant secretary, *pro tem.*

CHANGES IN NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Frank W. Merrick, of West Roxbury, was substituted by the moderator for Rev. William R. Campbell, and Harry G. Dixon, of Neponset, for Rev. David C. Reid, of Leicester, on the nominating committee.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

An address of welcome was then given by Rev. D. Melancthon James, and response by the moderator.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES REFERRED.

The printed reports of the committees on Ministerial Standing, Temperance Legislation, and Gambling, were referred to the business committee.

Mr. George D. Chamberlain, of Springfield, chairman of the committee on Sunday Observance, presented the report of that committee. The report was referred to the business committee with instructions to bring in suitable resolutions expressive of the sentiments of the body on the subject.

The report of the committee on Temperance was presented by its chairman, Rev. Eugene C. Webster, its recommendation adopted and the report referred to the business committee.

The committee on Publication reported through its chairman, Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston, and the report was received and referred to the business committee.

The printed reports of the committees on Missionary Work, on Church Extension, and on the Relation of the General Association to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, appointed for 10.20 A. M., Wednesday, were referred to the business committee, to be by them reported on at the Wednesday morning session.

THE REVISION AND ADOPTION OF THE RULES.

The Revision of the Rules of the Association was then taken up, and Rev. Adolph A. Berle, of Brighton, moved that Article III. of the present rules be inserted as the first paragraph of Article III. of the proposed rules.

It was voted to amend Rev. Mr. Berle's motion by making Article III. of the present rules Article III. of the proposed rules, and setting the following articles of the proposed rules forward.

The original motion was then carried as amended.

Article XII. of the proposed rules was amended by substituting the word "five" for the word "four" in the first lines of Section 1 and Section 2.

The proposed rules were then adopted as amended.

THE BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

A resolution that the Board of Pastoral Supply be requested to transfer to the treasurer of the Association all moneys received by it, in order that the treasury reports of the two bodies may make the same showing in that department, was referred to the business committee.

At 5.45 o'clock, after benediction by the moderator, the Association took a recess until 7.30 o'clock.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION.

The evening session began at 7.40 o'clock with devotional service led by Rev. Samuel H. Woodrow, of Springfield.

ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON.

The Association sermon was preached by Rev. George A. Gordon, of Boston, from the text, I. Chron. 29 : 15 ; the subject being, "The Essential Principles of the Pilgrim-Puritan Faith."

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL AID.

After the sermon the Rev. Charles B. Rice made a brief statement concerning the work of the Massachusetts Board of Ministerial Aid, which was followed by an offering of $120.01.

THE LORD'S SUPPER.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. Perley B. Davis, of West Roxbury and Rev. Charles H. Oliphant, of Methuen.

The following persons served as deacons : —

Dea. Richard McLean, of Plymouth; Dea. S. B. Carter, of Brighton; Dea. D. W. Carney, of North Andover; Dea. Albert Emerson, of Haverhill; Dea. S. A. Holton, of Falmouth; Dea. William Leonard, of Salem.

The hymn, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," was sung, and with the benediction by Rev. C. H. Oliphant, of Methuen, the evening session closed.

WEDNESDAY

MORNING SESSION.

At 8.30 o'clock devotional services were led by Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath, of Franklin.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Promptly at 9 o'clock the moderator took the chair and the records for the sessions of Tuesday were read and approved as corrected.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

The following recommendations were offered by the business committee and approved by the Association: —

That on account of the absence of Rev. Frank L. Bristol, of Uxbridge, who was to have given the report on the Work of the Churches, the report of that committee be given by Rev. Austin B. Bassett, of Ware;

That the address on "The Constructive Church: Her Doctrinal Teaching," be given by Rev. Charles F. Carter, of Lexington, instead of Rev. Charles A. Dinsmore, of Boston, who was unable to be present; and

That the address of Rev. Alexander McKenzie, of Cambridge, be transferred to Thursday morning and that in its place the Association listen to the address on "The Constructive Church: Her Relations to Industrial and Social Life" by Rev. I. Chipman Smart, of Pittsfield, and the report of the committee on Labor Organizations by Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cambridge.

We also suggest that the report of the committee on Ministerial Standing be adopted with its recommendation that "provision be made for discussion of this subject at the next annual meeting of the General Association with a view to the recommendation of practice which shall be uniform among our churches."

This suggestion was adopted.

INSTRUCTIONS TO TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE RECONSIDERED.

It was voted to reconsider the action by which the Association ordered instructions to be given to the committee on Temperance. The original motion was then lost.

COMMITTEES AUTHORIZED TO APPEAR AT THE STATE HOUSE.

Voted, That all committees of this Association that are to appear at the State House to ask for legislation be hereby given the authority of the Association to represent it.

RESOLUTION ON SUNDAY LAW REFERRED.

A resolution concerning the bill before the Legislature, relative to Sunday sales of soda water and candy, was received and referred to the business committee.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY OBSERVANCE ORDERED.

The recommendation of the business committee that a special committee of three be appointed to express the sentiment of this Association on Sunday Observance, this committee to include the chairman of the committee on Sunday Observance, was adopted.

MEMORIAL CHURCH AT PLYMOUTH.

The following resolution was received and referred to the business committee: —

Whereas, It is proposed by the Church of the Pilgrimage, Plymouth, Massachusetts, representing in direct lineal descent the doctrinal faith

of the Mayflower Pilgrims, to erect, within the next four years, a house of worship, as a Ter-Centennial Memorial of the church gathered in Scrooby, England, in 1606; and

Whereas, The object itself, the church proposing it, the place, and the time suggested for the completion of the building, all combine to give to the project an eminent and peculiar worthiness; and

Whereas, In view of the national significance of this project, and the appeal it naturally makes to all the churches of our faith and order throughout the country, a circular has been sent to these churches, asking such gifts in its behalf as they are able to make; be it therefore,

Resolved, In grateful recognition of the "goodly heritage" of Christian Doctrine, ecclesiastical polity, and of civil and religious liberty, which we have received from our Pilgrim Fathers, that we most heartily approve and indorse this plan, and commend it to our churches, both within and without the State, as worthy of their prompt and most generous aid, and express our hope, that, by the gift of such aid, the memorial building may be completed within the time proposed.

DELEGATE TO GAINSBOROUGH.

The following resolution was unanimously passed without reference to the business committee: —

Whereas, The Ter-Centennial celebration of the John Robinson Memorial Church in Gainsborough, England, in which, in 1602, the Separatist movement took initial form, and "from which the Mayflower Pilgrims subsequently went forth to become the founders of American Congregationalism," is soon to occur; therefore,

Resolved, That we appoint and request the Rev. D. Melancthon James, the pastor of the Church of the Pilgrimage, Plymouth, Massachusetts, to represent us on that occasion, and extend to the church in Gainsborough our fraternal greetings and congratulations.

REPORT OF BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

The Board of Pastoral Supply then presented, through its secretary, Rev. C. B. Rice, of Danvers, its eighth annual report, which was accepted and referred to the budget committee.

SUPPORT OF BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY.

Memorials from Essex North and from Suffolk North Conferences, protesting against the present method of collecting money for the support of the Board of Pastoral Supply, were received and referred to the budget committee.

REPORT ON THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES.

The report of the committee on the Work of the Churches was presented by Rev. Austin B. Bassett, of Ware, and was accepted.

COMMITTEES ELECTED.

The Association elected the following committees as named by the nominating committee: —

Special Committee on Sunday Observance. — George D. Chamberlain, of Springfield; Rev. Adolph A. Berle, of Brighton; Rev. William H. Allbright, of Boston.

Budget Committee. — Rev. Albert F. Pierce, of Campello; William Shaw, of Ballardvale; Rev. George W. Winch, of Holyoke.

Nominee for Membership in the Executive Committee of Massachusetts Home Missionary Society for Five Years. — John L. Brewster, of Andover.

Committee on the Work of the Churches. — Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville; Rev. Joshua Coit, of Winchester; Rev. Austin B. Bassett, of Ware; S. E. Bridgman, of Northampton; Albert Bacheler, of Gloucester.

Committee to Audit the Treasurer's Report. — Harry G. Dixon, of Boston; Franklin P. Shumway, of Melrose; E. C. Rawson, of Holliston; Rev. E. Irving Rackett, of Orleans; Rev. Edward P. Butler, of Sunderland.

Committee on Missionary Work. — [The committee recommends that the chairmen of the committees appointed by the several Conferences be the committee of the Association on Missionary Work, and that the member of the committee from Andover Conference be the chairman *pro tem.* for the purposes of organization.]

REPORT ON SUNDAY LEGISLATION RECOMMITTED.

The report of the business committee on the resolution on Sunday Legislation was recommitted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY WORK ADOPTED.

Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury, of Concord, of the committee on Missionary Work, presented recommendations in addition to those embodied in the printed report and these, together with the others, referred to the business committee, and favorably reported by them, were adopted to be printed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION REFERRED.

The Association approved the report of the business committee that the report of the committee on Church Extension be referred to a special committee of three, to report later in the session.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

The special committee, to which was referred the report of the committee on Church Extension, was appointed as follows: —

Rev. Samuel H. Woodrow, of Springfield; Rev. Edward C. Ewing, of Roxbury; Rev. Elbert S. Porter, of Stockbridge.

VACANCIES IN COMMITTEES.

Voted, That vacancies occurring in any committee may be filled by the remaining members of the committee.

ADDRESS.

An address on the subject, "The Constructive Church: Her Doctrinal Teaching," was given by Rev. Charles F. Carter, of Lexington.

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This was followed by an address on the subject, "The Constructive Church: Her Relations to Industrial and Social Life," by Rev. I. Chipman Smart, of Pittsfield.

REPORT ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND ADDRESS.

An address in connection with the report of the committee on Labor Organizations was given by its chairman, Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cambridge.

RESOLUTION ON THE SUNDAY LAW.

The following report of the business committee on the resolution regarding the Sunday bill was adopted and ordered to be telegraphed to the General Court, and also to His Excellency, the Governor: —

Whereas, The bill sent to His Excellency, the Governor, permitting the indiscriminate sale of soda water, ice cream and confectionery on the Lord's Day has been recalled by the Senate, in which fact we rejoice; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts, in Centennial Session assembled at Plymouth, expresses its appreciation to His Excellency, Gov. W. Murray Crane, for withholding his signature from the bill, and respectfully petitions the honorable General Court so to amend the bill as to prevent the further encroachment of business on the Lord's Day.

COMMITTEES ELECTED.

The following report of the nominating committee was then approved: —

Committee on Publication. — Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; Dea. Hamilton S. Conant, of Boston; Rev. Erastus Blakeslee, of Brookline; Leonard A. Treat, of Chelsea.

Board of Pastoral Supply. — (For three years) Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. Ozora S. Davis, of Newtonville; J. W. Fairbanks, of Amherst; H. H. Proctor, of Boston; (for two years) Rev. John H. Lockwood, of Westfield.

Committee on the Nomination of Candidates for Corporate Membership in the American Board. — Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed, of Springfield; Rev. Alford B. Penniman, of Adams; Rev. Rufus P. Hibbard, of Gloucester; W. A. Baldwin, of Hyannis; Frederick Fosdick, of Fitchburg.

ON PROPOSED MEMORIAL CHURCH.

Rev. B. F. Leavitt, of Melrose Highlands, for the business committee reported favorably on the resolution regarding the proposed memorial church in Plymouth, recommending further that a committee of three be appointed to cooperate with the pastor of the church. This report was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

The following report of the special committee on Sunday Observance was adopted and referred to the publishing committee to be printed: —

The General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts re-affirm their conviction that the preservation of the Lord's Day as a day of rest and worship is vital, not merely to the interests of religion and morality, but not less to the physical and social health of the people at large, a question which has to do not only with the spiritual well-being of the institutions of religion, but equally with the maintenance of the rights of all who labor for their daily bread, we therefore wish to urge upon the churches of the Commonwealth the serious consideration of the following propositions.

The obligation and privilege of maintaining the Lord's Day in accord with the spirit of the Scriptures rests primarily upon the members of the Christian church, who by precept and example should be instant in season and out of season to see to it that they do not nullify the teachings of the Word of God by their personal habits on the Lord's Day, whether these be for the gratification of personal tastes, or the indulgence of private pleasures. No more serious harm can be done to the Sabbath day than its constant and careless violation by Christian people themselves. The chief work of the Christian church is to preach, teach and practice those things which are likely to arouse men to their duty, rather than to seek relief by legislation. We fear that the principal difficulty experienced in enforcing Sunday laws grows out of the indifference and selfishness of church members.

We especially urge upon the attention of the churches a more general presentation of the need of the more strict observance of the Lord's Day in the interests of the laboring masses of the Commonwealth; whose interests and well-being are constantly menaced by the greed and rapacity of organizations which are governed purely in the spirit of commercialism, and we call the attention of the laboring masses of the Commonwealth to the fact that their hope of immunity from the grasping avarice of money-seeking, Sunday-breaking corporations, lies chiefly in their active alliance and cooperation with the church of Jesus Christ, always the friend and helper of the struggling masses; and we advise the various Conferences to lose no opportunity to cooperate with labor organizations in the spirit of cordial fraternity, to bring about an end so vital to the welfare of both.

Finally, we ask the churches and ministers to discuss the whole question of Sunday observance, not with reference to any minor or passing phase of legislative enactment, but in the larger spirit of its human interest and influence, keeping steadily to the teaching and spirit of Jesus Christ, that "the Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath."

With the benediction by Rev. John R. Thurston, of Whitinsville, the Association took a recess to meet at 4.30 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 4.30 o'clock, at the close of the Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the Association was

called to order by the moderator, and the following recommendations of the business committee were adopted: —

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE ADOPTED.

That the report of the committee on Gambling be adopted, and that for next year a committee of three be appointed.

That in harmony with the publishing committee's report a committee of three be appointed to decide what papers and reports shall be printed, and also that a copy of the "Minutes" be sent annually to every Congregational minister of recognized standing in the State.

That the report of the Board of Pastoral Supply be adopted and printed as read.

That the treasurer's and auditor's reports be referred to the budget committee.

That the report of the committee on Missionary Work be adopted, and a committee of three be appointed, as last year.

That the request of the General Theological Library be complied with, and that some official be designated to represent this body in the management of the General Theological Library Corporation.

MEMORIAL ON ABSENT MEMBERS.

A memorial presented by Rev. Perley B. Davis, of West Roxbury, from the Suffolk South Conference, relating to absent members of churches, was referred to the business committee.

NOMINEES FOR A. B. C. F. M.

The committee on Nominations for Corporate Membership in the American Board reported and the Association proceeded to ballot, with the following result: —

Rev. Samuel L. Loomis, of Boston; Pres. L. Clark Seelye, of Northampton; Charles H. Hutchins, of Worcester; Herbert A. Wilder, of Newton.

After benediction by Rev. Robert W. Wallace, of Somerville, the Association took a recess until the hour of the evening session.

Wednesday Evening Session.

The evening session was held in the armory, where the exercises began at 7.45 o'clock, with the singing of the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty."

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Devotional services were led by Rev. William E. Strong, of Amherst.

ADDRESS.

An historical address, "Some Leaves from the History of One Hundred Years of the Massachusetts General Association," was delivered by Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, of Salem.

CHORUS.

A chorus sang Mrs. Heman's hymn, "The Breaking Waves Dashed High."

GREETINGS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH.

In the absence of His Excellency, W. Murray Crane, Governor of Massachusetts, Hon. J. J. Myers, Speaker of the House of Representatives, presented the greetings from the Commonwealth.

GREETINGS FROM ENGLAND.

Greetings from the Congregational Union of England and Wales were given by Rev. William Garret Horder, of England.

GREETINGS FROM THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.

Greetings from the National Council of Congregational Churches were presented in an address by Rev. Amory H. Bradford, of Montclair, N. J.

CLOSING EXERCISES.

The hymn, "O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand," was sung, and the evening session was closed with the benediction by Rev. Mr. Horder.

THURSDAY

MORNING SESSION.

Devotional services at 8.30 o'clock were led by Rev. Albert F. Pierce, of Brockton.

MINUTES APPROVED.

At 9 o'clock the moderator called the Association to order, and the records of the previous day were read and approved.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE ADOPTED.

The committee on Nominations rendered the following report, which was accepted: —

Committee on Gambling.— Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, of Easthampton; Rev. William T. McElveen, of Boston; Arthur H. Wellman, Esq., of Malden.

Special Committee on Publishing.— Rev. Charles H. Beale, of Boston; Rev. Henry L. Bailey, of Longmeadow; Rev. Almon J. Dyer, of Sharon.

For Representative in the General Theological Library Corporation.— Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston.

Special Committee on Temperance (to report at this session).— Rev. Frank E. Butler, of South Weymouth; Rev. William H. Davis, of Newton; Benjamin T. Thompson, of South Framingham.

Committee to Cooperate with Committee of the Church of the Pilgrimage on the Proposed Memorial Church.— Samuel B. Capen, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. William H. Davis, of Newton; G. Henry Whitcomb, of Worcester.

Committee on the Form for the Report of Benevolences.— Rev. Frank R. Shipman, of Andover; Rev. Nicholas Van der Pyl, of Holliston; Rev. John H. Quint, of Falmouth; Rev. Eugene C. Webster, of Jamaica Plain; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston.

Nominations for Moderator for 1903.— William B. Plunkett, of Adams; Augustus R. Smith, of Lee.

Nominations for Vice-Moderator for 1903.— Seba A. Holton, of Falmouth; Prof. I. N. Carleton, of Bradford.

Nominations for Members-at-large of the Executive Committee of the Association.— Rev. Edwin N. Hardy, of Quincy; Rev. Calvin M. Clark, of Haverhill; Rev. Andrew W. Archibald, of Brockton.

PLACE ON NEXT MEETING.

The business committee recommended Great Barrington as the place for the meeting of the Association in 1903, and their recommendation was adopted.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE ADOPTED.

The business committee made these further recommendations, which were also adopted: —

That the report of the committee on Labor Organizations be adopted.

That the Memorial of the Suffolk South Conference concerning absent church members be referred to the following committee of five to report at this session: —

Rev. Arthur B. Patten, of South Hadley; Rev. Edward C. Camp, of Whitman; Rev. Isaiah Ainsworth, of Rockport; Rev. Charles S. Brooks, of Wellesley; Rev. Herbert P. Woodin, of Chicopee.

NEW FORM FOR STATISTICS ADOPTED.

It was voted to accept the report of the special committee on Statistics in accord with the recommendations of the committee on Statistics.

TIME FOR DISCUSSION AT 1903 MEETING.

It was suggested that special effort be made to give time for discussion at the meeting in 1903.

TELEGRAM.

The following telegram was received: —

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 22, 1902.

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Church of Pilgrimage: —

General Association New York, in annual meeting assembled at First Congregational Church, Buffalo, sends cordial greetings to General Association Congregational Churches, Mass., in centennial session and invokes divine blessing on all our churches in Old Bay State.

N. W. BATES, *Scribe.*

In reply to the above the following message was sent: —

The Massachusetts General Association assembled in Plymouth receives the greetings of the New York Association and cordially reciprocates.

"Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father which loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and stablish them in every work and word."

REV. CHARLES H. BEALE, *Moderator.*
REV. EUGENE C. WEBSTER, *Secretary.*

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers was then ordered, with the following result: —

Moderator, William B. Plunkett, of Adams; *Vice-Moderator*, Seba A. Holton, of Falmouth; *Members-at-large of Executive Committee*, Rev. Edwin N. Hardy, of Quincy; Rev. Calvin M. Clark, of Haverhill; Rev. Andrew W. Archibald, of Brockton.

AMENDMENT TO RULES PROPOSED.

Rev. A. A. Berle, of Brighton, presented the following proposed amendment to the Rules to take the regular course and be voted upon at the meeting of the Association in 1903: —

This Association approves the Declaration of Faith adopted by the National Council of Congregational Churches in the year 1865, and the subsequent Declaration of the Commission of 1883; the system of belief therein set forth, being understood by us to be a summary of the Historic Doctrines held by the Churches of New England as the teachings of the Gospel.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL INSTALLATION.

It was voted to appoint a committee to take into consideration the matter of the Terms or Methods of Pastoral Installation to report at the next annual meeting.

REPORT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE.

The budget committee presented the following recommendations, which were adopted: —

1. That the treasurer be authorized to secure temporary loans such as may be necessary to meet bills for printing.
2. That the treasurer be instructed to cancel all claims against the several Conferences up to the year beginning May 1, 1901.
3. That inasmuch as the Board of Pastoral Supply is the agent of the General Association, all its funds should pass through the hands of the treasurer of the Association.
4. That the executive committee be instructed to prepare each year an itemized statement of the probable expense for the following year and place it in the hands of the budget committee for their consideration.
5. That the treasurers of the local Conferences be authorized to make such representations to the budget committee respecting deficiences that may occur in the collection of the apportionments among the churches, with a view to the abatement of such amounts by that committee, so that they shall not be considered as claims against the Conferences or individual churches.

6. That the treasurer be authorized in transmitting the amount of apportionments to the local Conferences to send a copy of the estimated expense and income, as presented by the budget committee.

7. The following is presented as an estimate of probable sources of expense and income for the year beginning May 1, 1902: —

ESTIMATED EXPENSE.

Assessment of the National Council	$1,710 67
Estimate for Board of Pastoral Supply	2,100 00
Salary of the state secretary	750 00
Printing, postage and expressage (estimated)	950 00
Stationery and incidentals	50 00
	$5,560 67

SOURCES OF INCOME.

Cash on hand	$353 97
Balance due from Conferences for 1901	832 63
Five cents per member for 114,045 members	5,702 25
	$6,888 85

8. We therefore recommend that the treasurer be instructed to request the churches through the local Conferences to pay five cents per member for the total enrollment of members reported in each church, Jan. 1, 1902.

REPORT ON CHURCH EXTENSION.

The special committee on Church Extension recommended the following, and the Association

Voted, That the chairmen of all the Conference committees be constituted into a permanent committee on Church Extension, and that arrangement be made for stated meetings of this committee with the executive committee of the Home Missionary Society, at least once a year, for dealing with demands that may arise for new work.

ABSENT CHURCH MEMBERS.

The following resolution presented by the committee on Absent Members was adopted: —

Resolved, That we recommend that all our churches enter into correspondence with their absent members, urging them to transfer their fellowship to some sister church in the locality where they reside; and that, if after they have been communicated with and sufficient time has elapsed, they fail to do so, or to give reasonable excuse, their names be dropped from the roll or fellowship be withdrawn from them; and we further recommend that the copies of this resolution be sent to the churches.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The committee on Nominations reported: —

Committee on Labor Organizations.— Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cambridge; Rev. Parris T. Farwell, of Wellesley Hills; Rev. Frederick H. Page, of Lawrence; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, of Reading; Rev. Ernest M. Bartlett, of Kingston.

Provisional Committee for 1903.— Rev. Francis J. Marsh, of Boston; Rev. Leon D. Bliss, of Great Barrington; Rev. R. DeWitt Mallary, of Housatonic; E. J. Van Lennep, of Great Barrington; A. W. Selkirk, of Great Barrington.

Committee on the Terms or Methods of Pastoral Installation.— Rev. De Witt S. Clark, of Salem; Rev. William R. Campbell, of Roxbury; Rev. George W. Winch, of Holyoke; Robert R. Bishop, of Newton; J. H. Sawyer, of Easthampton.

These committees were elected as nominated.

Nomination for Treasurer for Three Years.— Henry P. Emerson, of Lynn.

ELECTION OF TREASURER.

The Association balloted for treasurer, electing Henry P. Emerson, of Lynn.

FORM OF REPORT OF BENEVOLENCES.

The following report of the special committee on the Form for Report of Benevolences was adopted: —

Your committee recommends that the columns in the statistical tables devoted to the Sunday-school superintendents, and to the "Legacies," be omitted from the tables, and that the names of the superintendents and the amounts of the Legacies be printed elsewhere in the "Minutes;" and that six new columns be added, which will show the amounts of the benevolent contributions which each church makes directly to the treasuries of the denominational societies.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION ORDERED.

The following recommendation of the special committee on the report of the committee on Proposing Temperance Legislation was adopted: —

That a special committee of five be appointed, two of whom shall be members of the bar, to act at their discretion during the coming year upon the recommendations of this report.

The following resolution was also adopted: —

Resolved, That the special committee on Temperance Legislation be instructed to secure, if possible, legislation which shall lessen the abuses connected with the sale of cider and native wines, as set forth in the report of the committee on Proposing Temperance Legislation.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

The following vote of thanks, presented by Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, of Reading, was unanimously adopted: —

Voted, That we, the members of the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts, assembled at Plymouth for its Centennial Meeting, extend their hearty thanks to the officers and members of the Church of the Pilgrimage for opening to the Association its house of worship, and providing so liberally for the comfort and conve-

nience of the delegates; to the pastor of the church and to the efficient committee of Arrangements for their tireless labors in our behalf; to the people of Plymouth for their generous hospitality; to the hotels and railroads for reduced rates; to the Hotel Pilgrim for so graciously opening its doors for the special accommodation of the Association; to the Electric Street Railway Company for providing special cars; to our Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society for their generous loan of the individual Communion service and also of copies of "the Chapel Hymnal" for use at these sessions; and to all who have helped to make this Centennial meeting a joy and a blessing.

A special vote of thanks was also extended to Mrs. James, wife of the pastor of the entertaining church, for her efficient services on the committee of Entertainment.

COMMITTEES ENLARGED.

Voted, To increase the committees on Temperance and Gambling to seven each.

It was suggested that the committee on Gambling investigate social gambling in high circles.

ADDRESS.

Rev. Alexander McKenzie, of Cambridge, then delivered an address on the subject, "The Constructive Church: Her World Opportunity."

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES ELECTED.

The nominating committee reported the following additional members of committees, which were elected: —

Committee on Gambling. — Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Auburndale; Rev. Richard G. Woodbridge, of Somerville; Rev. Payson W. Lyman, of Fall River; William Shaw, of Ballardvale.

Committee on Temperance Legislation. — Judge William T. Forbes, of Worcester; J. W. Fairbanks, of Amherst; Rev. William A. Knight, of Boston; Rev. Edwin H. Byington, of Beverly; John Albree, Jr., of Swampscott.

Voted, To authorize the registrar to complete the Minutes.

CONCLUDING EXERCISES.

Farewell words were spoken by Rev. D. Melancthon James, a brief response was given by the moderator, and, after benediction by Rev. Alexander McKenzie, the Centennial Session of the Association was adjourned.

CHARLES H. BEALE, *Moderator.*

FRANCIS J. MARSH, *Registrar.*

A. J. DYER, *Assistant Registrar.*

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Soon after the annual meeting last year, your Secretary secured desk room in the Congregational House and established office hours on three days of the week, which hours were lengthened in the winter to the regular working hours of every day in the week. His office has been not only the place where the work of the Association was done, but also where frequent meetings of the Association's committees have been held.

In another year we shall probably be ready to set the "time limit" for receiving the Conference statistical reports a week or ten days earlier. Unless the Association votes to the contrary, your Secretary will regard February 15 as the latest day on which he may receive these reports for publication. Some gain has been made this year; whereas seven Conferences reported late last year, only three were overdue this year, although the latest this year was four days later than the latest last year. It is usually one church in each Conference that holds the report back, and in no way is it the fault of the Conference Statistical Secretaries.

The secretaries and scribes of your Conferences are hard-worked men, and in most cases, if not in every case, they earn all they receive. It is no small task to attend to the correspondence of a Conference, to arrange for two meetings each year, to look after the printing, to send out the statistical blanks, and collate and compile the statistics. The novelty of the work wears off in two or three years, yet it is almost indispensable that each Conference should find a man most naturally adapted to the work and to keep him at it. It is the changes that retard the gathering of the reports. An experienced secretary soon finds out the habitually delinquent churches, he comes to know the best man in the individual church to whom to send the blank with the best assurance of receiving a prompt reply, and he learns not to be afraid to send repeated notices requesting immediate returns. Such a man, to use the words of Dr. Quint, written in 1859, must be "persistent, industrious, obstinate, energetic, good-natured, imperturbable"; and, to repeat a suggestion made by Dr. Hazen a few years ago, he should be compensated for his services. Most conferences have adopted Dr. Quint's suggestion and chosen men of such characteristics; a few Conferences have already adopted Dr. Hazen's suggestion.

Two new churches have been added this year, the Finnish in Quincy and the Scandinavian in Malden, — making the total, 603. The total membership is 114,045, a gain of 1,125; 19,231, or 16.8 per cent., are non-resident church members, there being 123 more this year than last. The additions by confession were 3,589, an increase of 204; by letter,

2,728, a decrease of 294: the dismissions by letter were 2,345, a decrease of 224; by death, 1,978, an increase of 9; by discipline and revision of roll, 869, a decrease of 666. The baptisms of adults numbered 1,579, an increase of 40; baptism of infants, 1,874, an increase of 64. The Sunday-school membership decreased 649 and now numbers 119,637. The families reported number 91,693, a decrease of 329. There are 3 more young people's societies reported than last year with a membership of 33,419. 588 churches report $721,773 for benevolence, which is $47,828 more than 600 churches gave last year. 581 churches report $1,614,247 for home expenditures, which is $96,773 less than 590 of the churches reported last year.

Of the 603 churches, 265 have pastors installed by council, 267 have stated pastors, one has a stated supply, and 70 are "unsupplied." In this latter enumeration, it must be noted that churches supplied by licentiates, or by ministers of other denominations, are *counted* as vacant or unsupplied; only ordained Congregational ministers are reckoned as pastors or supplies. There are about 900 Congregational ministers resident in Massachusetts, nearly 16 per cent. of all in the United States; whereas there are only 10.4 per cent. of the country's churches in this State.

To be of greatest value, the reports from the churches must be made on a uniform basis. For example, some churches report their Sunday-school membership, including the mission schools and home department, but give the average attendance of only the former. It is now well understood that members of the home department who study their lesson a certain length of time during the given week are marked "present" and should be so reported. In this way the average attendance of the home department should be included, if the enrolled membership is reported with that of the main school.

Some churches find difficulty in estimating the number of families for the purposes of this report. When asked about this your Secretary has always replied that the column headed "families" includes not only the families composed of parents and their children, but also all individuals in the parish not in families; in other words, that column should indicate the number of separate calls a pastor would have to make to reach his whole parish once. By some such figures as these, one can receive a more accurate idea of the relative size of each church, for the church membership does not always show it.

During the year 1901 87 churches elected new clerks, and 161 Sunday-schools made a change in their superintendents.

Attention is again called to the fact that more than 1,500 back numbers of the "Minutes" since 1885 are on hand, and ready for free distribution. The edition of 1899 is exhausted, and the Secretary solicits the return of two or three dozen copies.

The Rules of the Association prescribe that all reports to be submitted at the annual meeting, which are not excepted under another provision,

must be in the hands of the Secretary on or before April 1. Three important reports were delayed until after May 1, which fact must account for the tardy publication of the "advance reports."

In accordance with the vote of the Association at Andover, your Secretary addressed the several ministerial associations of the State with reference to the subject of ministerial standing. The replies thus far received are embodied in the report of the committee on ministerial standing.

At the meeting of the National Council held in Portland, Me., last October, the Association was represented by Rev. Albert E. Dunning, Rev. DeWitt S. Clark, Judge William T. Forbes, Rev. Alexander Lewis, Rev. George F. Moore, Henry M. Moore, Rev. Francis J. Marsh, William Shaw, Rev. Charles M. Southgate, Henry H. Proctor, and Rev. George A. Tewksbury.

Early last month the assistant secretary, Rev. Frank L. Bristol, upon his removal from the State, resigned his office, and the vacancy was filled, in the manner prescribed by the Rules, by the election of Rev. Warren P. Landers. Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE C. WEBSTER,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treasurer, in account with the* GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 1, 1902.

1901-1902.	Dr.	
To cash on hand last report		$133 22
Receipts from Conferences		6,367 55
Interest		7 28
Refund from John R. Thurston		4 50
Copies of "Minutes"		2 45
American Bible Society		11 00
Stationery		1 66
Total		$6,527 67

1901-1902.	Cr.	
By Eugene C. Webster, Secretary, salary, stationery, etc., to April 1		$811.11
John R. Thurston, printing "Tentative Report" and postage		25 00
Pilgrim Press, advertising in *Congregationalist*		11 60
Thomas Groom & Co., Treasurer's book		1 20
Boston Sign Co., gold lettering		4 86
Mills & Knight Co., printing		662 50
Adams Express Co., sending "Minutes"		71 52
A. J. Dyer, expense attending Annual Meeting		3 80
Frank L. Bristol, postage		6 45
Alfred Mudge & Son, printing		114 96
Thomas Todd, printing "Work of Churches"		25 05
Samuel B. Forbes, Treasurer, National Congregational Council		1,698 51
C. E. Swett, Treasurer, Board of Pastoral Supply (for 10 months)		2,698 52
George P. Eastman, Secretary Missionary Committee, printing, postage, etc.		17 50
C. H. Belledeu, labor and stock for Secretary's case		5 85
Francis J. Marsh, expenses, printing and postage		15 25
Cash on hand		353 97
Total		$6,527 67

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treasurer.*

The Auditing Committee of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Mr. Henry P. Emerson, and find them correct with proper vouchers; showing a balance of $353 97 in his hands and deposited in the Beacon Trust Company.

DANIEL W. WILCOX,
FRANKLIN P. SHUMWAY, } *Auditing Committee.*

BOSTON, May 12, 1902.

Amount of the apportionments not received from the Conferences.

Berkshire North, 1900			$3 46		Old Colony, 1898		32 08	
Brookfield North, 1901			1 14		1899		40 14	
Essex North, 1898		$10 00			1900		41 29	
1899		6 42			1901		37 80	
1900		24 68						192 51
1901		4 54			Suffolk North, 1898		$162 88	
			45 64		1899		196 74	
Essex South, 1901			126 26		1900		63 66	
Hampden, 1899		$63 57			1901		266 07	
1900		83 83						688 85
1901		338 00			Suffolk South, 1900			13 62
			485 40		Taunton, 1899		$3 54	
Hampshire, 1901			1 74		1900		22 58	
Mendon, 1899		$32 16			1901		64 00	
1900		45 69						90 12
1901		14 60			Worcester Central, 1899,		$83 34	
			92 45		1900,		29 34	
Norfolk, 1898		$18 69						112 68
1899		110 62			Worcester North, 1900			3 89
1900					Worcester South, 1899,		$34 48	
1901		89 70			1900,		8 71	
			219 01		1901,		16 78	
Old Colony, 1895		$5 88						59 97
1896		17 22						
1897		18 10			Total			$2,136 74

HENRY P. EMERSON, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY WORK

The Second Annual Report of the Committee on Missionary Work is respectfully presented.

At the meeting of the General Association a year ago the following recommendation of your committee was unanimously adopted: —

"That the nominating committee at this meeting be instructed to present the name of one member from each conference, to constitute a committee on missionary giving, to co-operate with the National Council Committee of Fifteen"; and a committee of twenty-five, one from each conference in the State, was appointed. (*Minutes*, 1901, pp. 16, 17.)

RESULTS.

All forms of Christian activity have, we may say, two poles — that of the initial effort made, and that of the response to it on the part of the person or body of persons toward whom it is addressed.

I. Taking this order we may first outline our work during the year.

Whatever the results, we have at least not been idle. The work has not failed or faltered on unwilling or indifferent hands. The members

in their respective conferences have labored earnestly to promote the objects contemplated. One has spoken more than twenty times in behalf of these objects. Some have been asked to give addresses outside the bounds of their own conferences.

The committee has held four meetings during the year, at which a very gratifying number of the members was present, including some from distant parts of the State. An Executive Committee of five, consisting of the chairman and secretary, Rev. D. Scudder, M. D., Rev. D. M. James and Rev. T. Clayton Welles, has held three meetings. Dr. Scudder, at the request of the Executive Committee, prepared a leaflet embodying practical working suggestions for the use of pastors and committees, of which two thousand copies were printed. This was entitled "A Twentieth Century Epistle." Copies were sent to the pastors and clerks of all our churches in the State, with the suggestion that they be brought to the immediate attention of the conferences and churches, and urging especially the appointment of local conference committees to co-operate with the State committee. At the request of the committee the *Congregationalist* published the leaflet in its issue of September 28. Many requests have been made from local conference and church committees for additional copies of the leaflet, showing general interest in the movement. Nearly five hundred copies have thus been called for. The committee urged the giving of a half hour to the subject of this advance in missionary work at the fall sessions of the local conferences; and this was done in many cases.

Four vacancies have occurred in the committee during the year. One of these was that caused by the return of Dr. Scudder to work among the Japanese. Much credit is due to him for his efficient service with us in preparing the "Twentieth Century Epistle" and in other ways; and for his equally valuable efforts as Chairman of the Missionary Committee in the Woburn Conference. He has been succeeded on our committee by Rev. F. S. Hunnewell, and on the Executive Committee by Rev. Samuel L. Loomis. The other vacancies are those made through change of pastorate by Rev. John L. Sewall of the Brookfield Conference, Rev. R. G. Woodbridge of the Old Colony Conference, and Rev. T. Clayton Welles of the Taunton Conference, whose places have been filled, respectively, by Rev. J. H. Gaylord, Rev. G. W. Stearns, and Rev. C. A. Ratcliffe.

II. What the conferences have done in co-operation with the committee.

This may perhaps best be indicated by allowing the conferences to speak for themselves. The following statements are therefore given from reports received in response to a circular letter of February 24. Responses have been received from twenty-four out of the twenty-five conferences. Of these twenty-four all but two (Hampden and Suffolk North) have conference committees.

Andover. We have a Missionary Committee whose first report was made in April, 1901. Our work has shown chiefly in a quickened general activity in missionary matters. Several churches have appointed Missionary Committees, in two or three others women's auxiliaries have been organized, in three the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has adopted the two-cent-a-week plan. In regard to securing a contribution from every church to each of the six societies our churches have made a little — only a little — progress. It is clear that we must adopt stronger, more hand-to-hand measures than we have used hitherto. . . . I am sorry that the plans are still larger than the performances.

Barnstable. The conference is well organized and the several members of its committee have urged upon the pastors the endeavor to secure the desired contributions from the churches. They have also freely distributed missionary literature. The result thus far has been that ten churches — five more than the year preceding — gave to the six societies last year, and several of the other churches have enlarged the list of societies receiving their gifts. Accordingly, the gifts last year showed a large increase. This leads to the inference that none of the societies to which the gifts of the churches were formerly limited have suffered to any great extent by the more general contributions.

Our weak spot lies in the fulfillment of the plan of securing an annual gift from every member for each society. Some of our committee have felt that it was not wise to press this too fast. Our pastors generally have pledged their best efforts in this direction this year. The advisability of appointing a committee from each church to canvass its membership to this end will be discussed at the next meeting of our committee.

Berkshire North. In reply to questions sent, to which answers came from nearly all the churches, it was learned, —

1. That only five churches make a special point of giving to each one of our six national societies.

2. That only four of those answering have the envelop or pledge system for benevolent contributions. Other methods vary from occasional or monthly collections for specified objects or a special canvass to dependence merely upon Sunday-school or Christian Endeavor collections.

3. That only three of the churches make an effort to have each church member make a missionary contribution. Of these two plainly indicate that they fail in the effort.

4. Only two of the replies favor effort by a special canvass to secure a contribution from each church member to each one of the boards.

It is added that instead of indicating an indifferent interest in missionary contributions the replies indicate a conscientious effort on the part of both pastors and churches to meet so far as possible the call of the time for the financial support of our missionary boards.

The committee make the following recommendations to the conference: —

1. That a conference committee on benevolence be a permanent committee to keep in communication with the State and National Committees.
2. That so far as possible each church have a committee on benevolence to co-operate with the pastor in educating the church into habits of giving and into a larger understanding of the missionary work of the church.
3. That all of our churches should regularly give something, not to three or four, but to all six of our missionary boards.
4. That increased efforts be made to train the children and young people to regard missionary interests as an integral part of the work of the church and of a Christian disciple.

Berkshire South. I can report progress. A committee has recently been appointed, and I understand plans are being made to present the matter to our churches at the earliest possible date and in the best possible way. I am sure the interest in the matter is good, and I doubt not will result in larger support of our missionary societies.

Essex North. We have a conference committee of five, among whom the churches of the conference are divided for visitation and supervision. The pastors have all been visited or written once in regard to the purposes in view. Local committees have been appointed in several of the churches. At the last meeting of the conference the usual missionary hour was given to an outside speaker, who presented the need of the work of rousing greater missionary enthusiasm in the churches. Removals and resignations from the committee have necessitated new appointees, and the work has been much retarded for that reason.

Brookfield. We have a conference committee which has taken the "Twentieth Century Epistle" as the basis of its work. Copies have been sent to each church, and each member of the committee has had certain churches in charge, to urge the adoption of suggestions in it. In general these suggestions are being carried out, though the work advances slowly. Most of the churches have some committee to whom this work by itself, or with other interests, is assigned.

The interest of pastors is good, and solicitation for all our societies, together with education through regular services, literature and study classes is maintained. Pastoral vacancies and problems of home expenses have probably lowered somewhat the total result of our contributions, though the interest in missions is as strong as ever. One church has increased its contribution to the American Board eighty per cent., and is supporting workers in the foreign field. Another has increased its total benevolences about one hundred per cent., and is now

interested in the new plan of the forward movement to connect smaller churches with the foreign missionary work; the first, it is thought, to do this.

Essex South. Our committee on missionary work was appointed last October. It has had several meetings, at which the situation and methods were discussed. The churches have been assigned in due proportion to the members of the committee, and we hope to reach definite results in the near future. We can report progress only at present.

Franklin. The effort for increased benevolence has been carried on mainly along two lines. (1.) As a county we are very markedly a home missionary dependency. We have worked, therefore, to create a county spirit of concern over the situation, and to secure a greater measure of self-support on the part of the aided churches. (2.) We have also tried to secure a more general recognition on the part of all the churches of all the regular societies and to increase the gifts to each one by increasing the number of churches giving.

We mean to keep at work along these lines. We cannot give much quantitatively. We would fain be great givers sacrificially.

Hampden. The churches are doing good work. Several of them are supporting missionaries on the field. I think our pastors are pushing the work as much as they feel that they can wisely. The conference has appointed no missionary committee, because the utility of such a committee did not appear. The three large societies receive contributions from all of our forty-seven churches, except six or seven foreign or mission churches. A representative of some one of the societies appears on nearly every annual or semi-annual conference program. Candidates for license or installation have always been questioned regarding their knowledge of, and interest in, the denominational benevolences.

Hampshire. We have made a beginning on rallies, having had the help of missionary speakers from outside. With the church where the rally was held, we have left a special missionary library. Churches in the conference have begun to make special efforts to secure contributions to each of the six societies from each member of the church.

Through the efforts of the committee, delegates from most of the churches met Mr. Wishard in Northampton, last October, and some permanent results of missionary interest have followed.

Hampshire East. The matter has been twice brought before our churches at conference meetings in the last year and a half. There are virtually but thirteen churches in our conference. Of these, in 1901, twelve gave to foreign missions, twelve to home missions, thirteen to the American Missionary Association, ten to the Education Society, nine to the Church Building Society, nine to the Sabbath School Work, seven to ministerial aid.

Mendon. A conference committee was appointed. The committee, however, has held no meeting, and thus far nothing definite has been done. Some of the churches have been putting forth special efforts and trying new methods to increase the amount of gifts.

Middlesex South. In consequence, probably, of the illness and absence of Dr. Sturgis, no response has been received.

Middlesex Union. The recommendations of the National Council Committee of Fifteen were introduced to the conference in October, 1899, and a committee was then appointed to further them in our churches. That committee has been continued and has been actively at work ever since. Reports of their work have been made at every meeting of the conference, and the results reached have shown a continued increase of interest and endeavor. Nearly all of our twenty-three churches have a missionary committee, and in nearly all a warm spirit of co-operation has been manifest. The one aim has been to establish by voluntary action the standard of an annual gift to each of the six societies, not merely from every church, but from every member of every church, if only a dime or a nickel; and so to deepen a sense of individual responsibility in giving. Toward the realization of this aim, there has been a gratifying gradual advance, giving good promise that it will ultimately be reached.

Norfolk. Under date of December 2, 1901, the committee issued a circular addressed to the pastor of each of the churches in the conference, asking replies to the following questions: —

1. Has your church a missionary committee? If so, please give their names. If not, by whom are your plans for aiding missionary work made?

2. What methods do you use for the missionary education of your congregation? Please specify methods used to interest the men, the women, the Sunday-school, and the Endeavor Society.

3. What missionary literature is circulated among your people? For instance, how many subscribers are there to the various missionary periodicals? Has your Sunday-school a missionary library? How much are the books read?

Replies from every church but two have already been received. At the coming meeting of the conference three-quarters of an hour has been assigned to a report and discussion on this subject. The method of questions is a good one and is doing good in our conference. The questions indicate the warm reciprocal action with which our efforts have been seconded in this conference.

Old Colony. At its last meeting (October, 1901), the conference was thoroughly organized for missionary work. A permanent committee was created to take the matter in charge, the churches were committed

to the members of that committee for cultivation, and reports were to be submitted at every conference. Substantial gains were reported from several churches. The aim kept before the churches is in accord with the suggestions of the Committee of Fifteen.

Pilgrim. The letter on missions was made the subject of discussion at the last meeting of the conference and meets with general favor. A committee has been appointed and work has been done in several churches to increase an interest on the lines suggested. It will receive further attention at the April meeting.

Suffolk North. I regret to say that the conference has done nothing concerning the special committee, but at the spring meeting I hope to have action taken.

Suffolk South. The missionary committee of the conference has recently sent to the pastor and missionary committee of each church a letter inclosing the report of the Committee of Fifteen at Portland, which is just printed; also a second copy of the "Twentieth Century Epistle." Our own letter calls attention specially to the suggestions of the Committee of Fifteen regarding methods of work in the churches and emphasizes what is there said. This, with a former personal letter sent by one of the committee to each pastor and a series of questions sent to each church seeking information on missionary matters and activities, together with missionary addresses at the conference by the chairman of the committee, is all that we have done.

Suffolk West. A committee of five was appointed in April, 1901, and the twenty-six churches were divided among its members; each member of the committee working in his group of churches as seemed best to him. An effort has been made to have each church make an annual contribution to each of the six societies. This was done by fourteen of our churches in 1900; and presumably, also — the report not being at hand — in 1901. . . . I hope some seed has been sown that will bear fruit in the future. . . . The committee has talked with some of the church committees about a gift from each church member, but, so far as I know, no other effort has been made to secure such a gift. A report will be presented to the conference in April, and we hope in this way the matter may be brought to the attention of the churches, as it cannot be through the church committee.

Taunton. This conference was one of the first to appoint a missionary committee. The churches are divided among the members of this committee, who have done effective work. As the result, nearly all our churches, including some that had not previously done this, have contributed the last year to each of our six great benevolences.

We have made up our minds that the goal to aim at for the present is an annual offering from every member to each society. We have not

yet reached this goal in any church, but the motto has done good in our conference. More individuals have given in the different churches.

Woburn. Early in the fall a meeting of our committee was held, and the following plan of action, pursued last year with much success, was agreed upon, and has been carried out: —

1. The churches of the conference were divided into groups, and a member of the conference committee was placed in charge of each group. . . .

2. The missionary committees of the churches were advised of the issue of the leaflet, "A Twentieth Century Epistle," and its circulation urged.

3. A missionary conference has been held with each group of churches, presided over by the chairman of the conference committee. At these conferences reports were received of the status of missionary interest in the local churches; suggestions were made as to methods for arousing missionary enthusiasm, and increasing the benevolent gifts of the churches, and difficulties were freely discussed. These conferences have been well attended, and have been entirely informal in character.

The conference committee has been careful not to dictate any policy to the churches, having been content to hold before them the ideal, "A gift from every member to each of the Congregational societies," and to leave each church free to use such methods as seemed best adapted to local conditions.

The committee is about to make a careful investigation as to the cash missionary gifts of the churches during the last two years, as compared with previous years, and will report to the conference at its spring meeting.

I am confident that the reports for the current year will show a gift from each of our churches to each of our six societies, and will also show an encouraging gain in the number of givers and the amount contributed. Our report for the year 1900 showed a net gain in excess of the ten per cent. increase asked of us by the National Council Committee of Fifteen.

Worcester Central. A conference committee was appointed, but no work has been done, except that the matter has been urged upon all the ministers on all occasions and at all seasons. They have largely responded, and adopted the proposed plan in whole or in part. The larger churches, having their missionary work well organized, do not feel the need of any great changes, but the smaller churches are making an earnest attempt to realize the plan. We have made a hopeful beginning.

Worcester North. We have a conference committee, but the committee has held no meeting, and nothing has been done. We are interested

in missionary work, and special interest has been aroused the last year in the forward movement for foreign missions. But no concerted movement has been made to secure individual contributions from every member in all our churches. We aim for that in our own church, and it has been our custom to give each member a chance in the form of a personal invitation, but our success is not very inspiring. I know that the missionary interest in our churches is real and the ministers are doing what they can. Undoubtedly much interest might be aroused by a thorough canvass of the conference.

Worcester South. The district has been studied by the committee and answers received as to the kind of work done. Several of the churches have missionary committees and are pushing the matter.

Remarks

The report thus presented is simply one of progress. It at best describes, not the final and complete, but the initial stage of the work.

Not extending beyond April 1, 1902, it would, without doubt, as some of the responses lead us to think, have included additional marks of progress and reasons for encouragement could it have been delayed un til after the spring meetings of the conferences.

We are deeply grateful, however, for the encouragement already received, and for the large and promising measure of co-operation which the conference committees generally and, through them, the churches have given. It is most clearly evident that the divine blessing has thus far rested, and will continue to rest, upon the efforts made.

We are prompted to re-affirm with new emphasis the ideal or standard of our work: An annual contribution from every one of our churches, including a gift from every member, to each one of our six societies. The general consensus of assured belief with us is that this is practicable, not alone for the larger but also for the smaller churches, and that the principle underlying it is the same for all. Also, that for all, some plan or system of giving that shall compass this result is possible. Why should any one of our six societies be Ishmaelized or cast out by any church of our Lord as unworthy of an annual offering? Does not every church, as a part of the general body, hold a relation, parental and responsible, to every one of them? It is not easy in these days — the more's the pity — to find any Protestant family containing six children in dependent years. But if such a family can be found, is it easily supposable that the parents would care to part with, or leave unprovided for, any one of them. If so, — "Which shall it be?" (1 Tim. 5 : 8.)

And does not this relation graduate and distribute itself in its principle to every member? What really is the meaning of church membership if it is not responsibly related to every agency found to be required, whereby the great missionary work of our Divine Lord is carried

on, — let the personal gift be what it may by which this relation shall be honored?

In this connection we are led to indorse most heartily the four recommendations with which the report from the Berkshire North Conference closes; and, in particular, that which refers to the training of children and young people in a right regard for missionary interests.

We cannot help looking with regret upon a tendency reported in some churches to relegate benevolent contributions wholly or mainly to the Sabbath School and the Christian Endeavor Society, inasmuch as it limits a responsibility which belongs to the church as such and cannot really be shifted.

In regard to the general subject of beneficence, we are constrained to feel that the pastors hold very largely the key of the situation. As they lead, the churches will follow; and they will follow if led. In a measure not small, it is given to them to open and none shall shut, to shut and none shall open.

To them and to the churches and to Him whose the churches and the personal members are, and whom they are to serve, we commit the continuance of the work, knowing that the work is His and therefore will not fail; and waiting in the patience of hope for its full accomplishment.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. Your committee calls attention to the following resolutions adopted by the National Council at Portland, Me., in 1901, which were presented in the report of the Committee of Fifteen on Missionary Work, and recommends that they be indorsed: —

"*Resolved*, first, That we urge upon all our churches the importance of laying added emphasis upon the great missionary work at home and abroad, to which, as Congregationalists, we are pledged.

"*Resolved*, second, That each church be requested, by a personal canvass, to reach, so far as possible, every one of its members with a direct personal appeal for some gift to each of our six missionary societies.

"*Resolved*, third, That our churches, so far as practicable, make the month of October a missionary month.

"*Resolved*, fourth, That all our churches should make some provision in their Sunday schools and young people's societies for educating our young people in every department of our missionary work.

"*Resolved*, fifth, That as the pastors are the great leaders of the Church, we urge that in all ordinations and installations the missionary knowledge and interest of the candidate should be a matter of faithful inquiry."

2. Your committee recommends the appointment of a committee on missionary work.

GEORGE A. TEWKSBURY, *Chairman*, Concord, (Middlesex Union Conference).

GEORGE P. EASTMAN, *Secretary*, Millbury, (Worcester South Conference).

AMOS ANDREWS, Waltham, (Suffolk West Conference).

RAYMOND CALKINS, Pittsfield, (Berkshire North Conference).

CALVIN M. CLARK, Haverhill, (Essex North Conference).

ARTHUR J. COVELL, Lynn, (Essex South Conference).

BENNETT T. GALE, Lee, (Berkshire South Conference).

J. HOWARD GAYLORD, West Brookfield, (Brookfield Conference).

BURTON S. GILMAN, Gardner, (Worcester North Conference).

FRANK S. HUNNEWELL, Reading, (Woburn Conference).

HENRY S. HUNTINGTON, Milton, (Norfolk Conference).

D. MELANCTHON JAMES, Plymouth, (Pilgrim Conference).

SAMUEL LANE LOOMIS, Jamaica Plain, (Suffolk South Conference).

ROBERT A. MCFADDEN, Chelsea, (Suffolk North Conference).

ARTHUR B. PATTEN, South Hadley, (Hampshire East Conference).

CHARLES A. RATCLIFFE, Norton, (Taunton Conference).

DAVID C. REID, Leicester, (Worcester Central Conference.)

EDWARD A. ROBINSON, Buckland, (Franklin Conference).

FRANK R. SHIPMAN, Andover, (Andover Conference).

EZRA N. SMITH, North Falmouth, (Barnstable Conference).

ISAIAH W. SNEATH, Franklin, (Mendon Conference).

GEORGE W. STEARNS, Middleboro, (Old Colony Conference).

FREDERIC E. STURGIS, Natick, (Middlesex South Conference).

HERBERT P. WOODIN, Chicopee, (Hampden Conference).

ROBERT M. WOODS, Hatfield, (Hampshire Conference).

Committee on Missionary Work of the General Association of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

The Committee on Labor Organizations has met regularly once a month to confer on matters concerning the relation of the Church and the workingmen. It instructed one of its members, the Rev. F. W. Merrick, to bring to the attention of the National Council at Portlanp

the wisdom of having a National Committee on Labor, which suggestion was adopted. The committee has concerned itself primarily with the question of the relation of the church to the workingmen. To get information on this subject it has read the relevant current literature; it has corresponded or had conferences and interviews with men at the head of labor organizations, with professors who have made this subject their life study, with social settlement workers, with ministers whose parishes are in the great industrial centres, and with leaders of other churches.

In presenting the results of its study it confesses that because the field is so vast specific knowledge of conditions throughout the whole country is difficult, yet it believes that its statement is not far from the truth.

The workingmen, in their relation to the church, may be classified as follows: Some are in deadly antagonism to it and to the whole theological interpretation of life for which it stands. This class is largely under the influence of the German Social Democracy, or under the sceptical influence of the science of yesterday.

Others are in full fellowship with the church. There are churches composed almost entirely of laboring people, and others that have a larger proportion of them. The Protestant Churches, thus blessed, are the Baptist and the Methodist, and in some large cities, the Episcopal. The churches, composed almost entirely of foreigners, especially of the Germanic peoples, have a large majority of workingmen. It is, however, in the Roman Catholic Church that the laboring men are found in the largest numbers.

There are others who are related to the church in a loose or indirect way. Their wives and children have a more or less direct relation, but the men themselves do not go at all, or only once in a while, as on Christmas or Easter.

The far larger number of laboring men, however, are indifferent to the church. This is the testimony coming to us from all sources, and the feeling is that this number is daily growing larger. The church, as a religious institution, plays no part in their life. It must be said, too, that a very serious problem confronts some of the churches that have large numbers of working people — notably the Roman Catholic Church, — for the second and third generations of foreign-born parents tend to revolt from the church, from religion and from the customary standard of morals.

The explanation of this antagonistic or indifferent relation between the church and the laboring men is to be sought in three directions:

First, in the industrial situation. The movement of workingmen in search for employment is constant and is largely toward the great cities. Removed from their old environment, they no longer feel the same motives impelling them to seek the churches. Again, the strenuousness

of modern industrial life is so great and the workers are so fatigued, that there is little energy left for the higher things. Then, too, the social contrasts of our modern life, as a direct result of our industrial organization are so great and so glaring that what moral sense men have is shocked. The whole social problem is created by the moral sense that the ideals of life and the social conditions are in conflict.

And, secondly, in the church.

It is felt that the church is not in full sympathy with the working people; it does not recognize and appreciate their aspirations. It is for the well-to-do, for those who can afford the luxury of rented pews — the atmosphere is too rare for breathing purposes. It has departed from the social teachings of the Master. The fraternal spirit is not found in it between the classes; indeed the class distinctions are not only recognized but emphasized by pew, dress and conduct. The low spiritual condition of the church makes it impotent to stir the spiritual depths of society.

And, thirdly, in the workingmen.

They give the impression that they care more for rest than for spiritual refreshment, for pleasure than for mental and moral profit. Some of them believe that the fundamental forces of life are industrial rather than spiritual; they are unduly sensitive to clothes distinctions; they are prejudiced against the church because the more well-to-do are in it, ignoring the fact that often the church is the very cause of their better condition. They are ignorant of the new fraternal spirit in many churches. They ignore almost wholly the aspect of worship for which the temples and churches in every land and age have stood and now stand, for it is the mission of the church to worship God as well as to serve man.

What can the church do to remove whatever hinders the proper relation between it and the working people? The first thing the church can do is to remove from within itself all hindrances. It can do away with all that tends to emphasize class distinctions by having, where possible or necessary, free pews, more simplicity in dress and the fraternal recognition of all within it. It can give itself more to the actualities of life. It must be more devout and worshipful and make its appeal to the soul. It must demonstrate through its members by their lives out in the world that religion is the great force working for the redemption of men and the christianization of society.

The church can put itself on record as being concerned first, last and always with the entirety of Christian ethics. The church has done well to create, to cherish and to commend the spirit of charity and the glory of giving — the church has a right to rejoice in large gifts to philanthropic agencies and educational institutions. It must always have a "Gospel of Wealth." But the church cannot and must not forget that there is also a Gospel for Wealth — the Gospel of Social Justice. It

must ask, not only where a man's money goes, but also how it comes to him. God's first requirement is to do justly, then to love mercy. A prominent educational leader has said "that the gifts of a certain rich man has debauched the conscience of his denomination." There is enough truth in this remark to suggest that there is need of a new kind of temperance reform.

The church can do much by the appreciative study of the life of the workingmen. It needs to recognize the great struggle they have to live and the hard work they do. It must appreciate the signs of the new life in the working masses, their demand for a living wage, for shorter hours, for half holidays the year round, for the recognition of their labor unions, and for a larger share in the heritage of culture.

The church must distinguish between their mistakes and their great hopes and aspirations, between the methods to which they sometimes have recourse and the great labor movement which is interracial and international. When the church becomes once more the prophet of the working masses and gives utterance to their deepest longing and highest aspirations, a new day will dawn in the social life of man.

The church can do much if it is willing to minister without expecting direct and immediate returns for itself. If it can forego the pleasure of increased enrollment; if it can deny itself the delight of a fine showing in its "Year Book," and just serve the working men and their families as human beings who may or may not come to church, it can do more to remove hindrances than it dares imagine. If it could go to them and serve them disinterestedly, without thought that they are possible candidates for ecclesiastical relations, it would win their faith, their love and their loyalty.

One of the best things the church can do is to enter on a new kind of missionary work — social settlement work. This work is already being done by some of the best young men and women in the land and Christians of every church support them, and in a few instances these settlements are carried on by denominations. This line of effort is full of promise.

The churches of every order should have a social settlement in every large city. Here we could come into touch with the working people and there would be no ecclesiastical spirit in our intercourse. Here our college students, and especially our theological students, could get admirable training for their future work, and ministers and laymen could find a common centre for meeting the laboring people and a common platform for the free interchange of views.

Finally, the committee would suggest as something immediate and practical for ministers and churches that there be a study of local conditions, and would offer the following suggestion: The study of the number of workingmen in the town or city, their nationality, their wages, their standard of living, their amusements, their social life in labor

organizations, clubs and benefit orders, their relation to the church their hopes and aspirations, their conventions, reports and journals, their sense of the solidarity of labor interests.

The committee is convinced that the Congregational churches must recognize that a well-equipped church must have more than one minister. It is simply impossible for one minister to do all the work the average city church requires. He cannot at present come into direct personal relations with the working people and their families, for he has neither the time nor the strength. The churches that are doing noble service for the working people in our large cities have a large staff of workers. Our present policy is suicidal.

The committee feels that the Congregational churches need some acknowledged official way of expressing themselves to the public on these great social problems. Individual ministers and local churches express themselves, but there is no denominational expression. We refer the social utterance to President Tucker or Dr. Gladden, not to the Congregational denomination. Some denominations have special organizations to work for the laboring people and special journals to express their sympathy and inculcate their principles. We sorely need some such method of showing our interest in the workingmen. Let us hope that the new committee of our National Council, in co-operation with the State committees, will meet this need and accomplish this end.

Respectfully submitted,

(Rev.) DANIEL EVANS,
(Rev.) PARRIS T. FARWELL,
(Rev.) WM. H. ALLBRIGHT,
(Mr.) JAMES G. BUTTRICK,
(Rev.) FRANK W. MERRICK.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RELATION OF THE M. H. M. S. TO THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION

Your committee on the relation of the Home Missionary Society to the Association would respectfully report that they have considered the subject on which they were chosen to report and have concluded that, as subsequently to their appointment, this subject was brought before the Association by the "Report on revision of rules," and as no final action was reached and the whole matter is before us in our adjourned action on that report, it is not wise to make another report at this meeting in reference to the same subject.

JOHN R. THURSTON,
ROSS C. HOUGHTON,
DANIEL W. WILCOX.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP IN THE A. B. C. F. M.

Your committee appointed to bring in "nominations of candidates for corporate membership in the A. B. C. F. M." respectfully proposes the following persons for such vacancies as may occur: —

Rev. Calvin M. Clark, Haverhill; Rev. Charles H. Hamlin, Easthampton; Charles H. Hutchins, Esq., Worcester; Frank N. Look, Esq., Florence; Rev. Samuel L. Loomis, Boston; Pres. L. Clark Seelye, Northampton; Rev. William L. Tenney, North Adams; Herbert A. Wilder, Esq., Newton.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD SCOTT,
JOHN H. LOCKWOOD,
BARTLETT H. WESTON,
DANIEL W. WILCOX.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL STANDING

The General Association of 1901 discussed the report of your committee, recommending that the responsibility for ministerial standing in this State should be assumed by the churches through their conferences, as is the case with most of the States in which organized bodies of Congregational churches exist.

The General Association voted to ask the Ministerial Associations, in accordance with the advice of the National Council, to consider the subject of ministerial standing, in view of asking the local conferences with which they are connected to assume this responsibility. The request was made that the result of this consideration be reported to the secretary of the General Association before its meeting to be held in May, 1903.

In accordance with instructions, the secretary sent out to all the local Ministerial Associations the vote of this body with its request. Manifestly, a full report of your committee will not be possible until next year.

From returns thus far received by the secretary of the General Association we learn that the Cape Cod Ministerial Association voted to ask the Barnstable Conference to assume the responsibility for ministers now enrolled in the Cape Cod Association and for examining candidates for the ministry seeking credentials of approbation to preach.

Similar votes to the above have been passed by the Essex North, Middlesex South and Hampshire East Associations. The Hampshire East Conference has voted to accede to the request of the Association and to assume responsibility for the standing of all ministers within its bounds.

The Hampden Association voted that it would not ask the Hampden Conference to assume the responsibility for ministerial standing.

Similar votes were passed by the Suffolk Associations, North, West, and South, Hampshire, Worcester North, and Berkshire North Associations.

Your committee present this report of progress, and foreseeing from the action thus reported that confusion may follow in this important matter of the ecclesiastical standing of ministers, request that provision be made for discussion of this subject at the next annual meeting of the General Association, with a view to the recommendation of practice which shall be uniform among our churches.

A. E. DUNNING,
M. A. BREED,
W. C. GORDON,
JOHN A. MACCOLL.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GAMBLING

The frequently repeated attempt to persuade the Legislature to relax the law against gambling upon racetracks recurred before the present Legislature. It seemed to lack sincerity. The petitioner asked leave to withdraw, and so the measure lapsed.

No gain has been made during the present year by public officers in the enforcement of the law against racetrack gambling.

Accordingly, the only noteworthy change in the situation is the reported action of the National Trotting Association in expelling the New Westfield Driving Association for neglect to observe the rules of the National Trotting Association.

Should races fail from Westfield, pool-selling is likely to fail also. Improvement, however won, is welcome; but what a regret for Westfield that it should be indebted for such a betterment to the National Trotting Association and not to local public opinion and its town officers. The *New York Sun*, in reporting this affair, enters into detail which indicates that the Westfield incident is simply one illustration more where there were already enough of the demoralizing tendencies inseparable from racing when associated with gambling.

Your committee have made the best appeal they know how to make to proper authority for the enforcement of the law throughout the State for two years without making headway. We have persisted in the same line of action this year also, because the best advice open to us does not yet allow us to think that present law will prove unequal to restrain present lawlessness.

But enforcement cannot remain partial. Presently there will be gambling everywhere or nowhere. It is incredible that gambling should become universal. England, so long indifferent upon this matter, this very winter has been rendering evidence before the Select Committee of the House of Lords on betting. Public gambling is suppressed throughout Massachusetts except upon a few racetracks. The set of the current is for this righteousness, not against it.

Should the law against racetrack gambling be generally enforced during the coming season, it would be blind to ignore the fact that such enforcement would provide a motive to array the united racing and gambling interests in a final, desperate appeal to the next Legislature to relax the law against gambling in their favor.

Should the law against gambling upon racetracks fail of wider enforcement during the coming season, it were equally blind to ignore the fact that it would be incumbent upon us to make further efforts to complete the enforcement of the law.

For either issue your Association will need a committee upon the subject.

It may become advisable, should the present laws against gambling fail of larger enforcement during the coming year, that the next Legislature should be asked for such further restrictions as may appear to be necessary to make the enforcement already secured complete and general throughout the State. Your committee, therefore, recommend that this Association appoint a committee to care for this matter and authorize that committee, if it shall deem best, to ask the next Legislature for such further restrictions against gambling as the committee may deem necessary, in order to secure a better enforcement, by the regularly-appointed officers of the people, of the laws against gambling, especially upon the racetracks of this State.

CHARLES H. HAMLIN,
CHARLES M. SOUTHGATE,
S. HOMER WOODBRIDGE,
EDWARD M. NOYES,
ISAAC PIERSON,
ARTHUR H. WELLMAN,
PAYSON W. LYMAN.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION

The Committee on Church Extension, appointed at the meeting of the General Association in Andover, 1901, that it might get full information upon the matter committed to it, published for two successive weeks in the *Congregationalist* an invitation to all persons desiring to be heard on the matter, to appear before the committee for a hearing, on Monday, March 3, 1902, in Room 108, Congregational House. Several persons answered the invitation, from whom, and from other sources, the committee ascertained a number of pertinent facts.

Among these, the fact that the General Association, at its meeting in Spencer, 1888, took action upon this very matter. The following recommendation, by a Committee on Co-operation of the Churches in Conference, was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the General Association, to the intent that the object of the Committee on the Work of the Churches may be realized, the Home Missionary service assisted, and the wants of the whole field brought out and met, suggests the appointment of a single committee in each conference, charged with the oversight of the various parts of associated work in their churches as expressed in the foregoing considerations."

At its meeting the next year, 1889, in Newburyport, the Association reaffirmed this action as recorded in the following minute:

"That the General Association renew the recommendation of last year with respect to the appointment by each conference of a single committee, to be charged with the oversight of the various parts of associated work in the churches, as expressed in the report of the Committee on Church Work in Conference, on pages 41 and 42 of Minutes of General Association for 1888."

In the "foregoing considerations," to which the first of these minutes refers, the purpose of this action is defined as a "simplifying and strengthening of the agencies already in existence, and defining more broadly and clearly the bounds of their duties and responsibilities." And the bounds there set to the duties and responsibilities of these conference committees are thus described.

"This committee should receive and advise upon all applications for aid from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society; it should make a careful survey of the field covered by the conference, to determine whether new churches might wisely be planted in any localities, or any steps taken in that direction, or whether any new Christian appliances have need to be made use of. It should consider any questions that may arise in relation to the union of neighboring churches, holding

itself in readiness to offer counsel with respect to the formation of any such union, whether temporary or permanent or organic in its nature, and it should report on any such matters to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, or to the State Committee upon the Work of the Churches, according as the nature of the case shall require."

Such is the policy for Church Extension to which the General Association committed itself and which it commended to the conferences, fourteen years ago, reaffirming the same one year later. In part this policy seems to have been fairly well carried into effect. So far as this present Committee on Church Extension has been able to learn, the conferences have complied with the recommendation of the General Association in constituting a single committee in each conference to have charge of associated work within its bounds. And these committees have served with some good measure of faithfulness in reviewing and advising upon applications by the churches within their bounds for aid from the Home Missionary Society.

But when it comes to the church extension part of the work, which it was intended that these committees should have in charge, the plan has not worked effectively, indeed can hardly be said to have worked at all.

And to the committee now reporting, the reason for this failure seems largely to be that provision was not made for properly articulating those conference committees to the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society. They were like so many cogged wheels, each a part by itself, not gearing into each other or into a central wheel. As pieces of machinery they were well enough, but they were not duly assembled.

So far as was revealed by the hearing which this committee held, the procedure has been, that when need for church extension within any conference arose, it was taken in hand by individuals near to it, instead of being made the business specifically of the conference committee, and the Secretary of the Home Missionary Society was waited upon by said individuals and invited to set going the work of church extension there. Failure to respond to such invitations on the part of the Home Missionary Society have occasioned dissatisfaction and grievance, resulting in the call for, and appointment of, this present committee on church extension.

In the judgment of this committee, the proper procedure, with the machinery now in existence, is for the conference committee to canvass thoroughly the local need for a new church, and then in its capacity as a committee make its appeal, not to the Secretary of the Home Missionary Society, but to its Executive Committee. By such procedure the machinery already in existence might easily be made to work much more effectively than it has been working,

But this committee is satisfied that a little wholesome tinkering may be done upon the old machinery, so as to secure a much higher degree

of efficiency from it. The tinkering suggested will be largely in the nature of bringing the present parts of it into gear with each other, rather than by way of proposing the introduction of new machinery.

Accordingly, the committee begs leave to submit to the General Association two alternative plans, either of which, it believes, would do much to remedy present inefficiency. The first is very moderate in its character, a kind of chain gear between the conference committee and the Home Missionary Society. The second is more radical, a sort of chainless, bevel-pinion gear.

As a first alternative plan it is recommended that the chairmen of all the conference committees be constituted into a permanent committee on Church Extension, and that arrangement be made for stated meetings of this committee with the Executive Committee of the Home Missionary Society, at least once a year, for dealing with demands that may arise for new work.

The second more radical plan alternatively recommended would involve still more of arrangement with the Home Missionary Society. At the last meeting of that society its constitution was amended in the article relating to the election of Executive Committee. If a still farther step in that direction could be taken, in the judgment of this committee, it would most effectually solve the church extension problem. As now provided there are fifteen members of the Executive Committee, serving for five years, three elected each year, one of the three nominated by the General Association. As it is, conference representation is entirely disregarded in the make-up of the Home Missionary Executive Committee. Of its present membership, exactly one-third is from the Woburn Conference.

The alternative recommendation which this report submits to the General Association is that arrangement be effected with the Home Missionary Society, by which its Executive Committee shall have twenty-five members, as many as there are conferences, and that each conference have representation on that executive committee by one member who shall at the same time be chairman of the Committee on Associated Work in his conference.

This would at once simplify and compact and thoroughly articulate the organism for carrying on our home missionary and church extension work in Massachusetts. It would be strictly Congregational in principle as recognizing the function and initiative of the local conference of churches in carrying on associated work. And it is not an untried innovation, as it is substantially the method in successful working with the churches of our order in Connecticut.

JAMES F. BRODIE,
WILLIAM L. TENNEY,
AMOS ARMSBY.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS

The special Committee on Statistics, to which the General Association referred several important matters, begs leave to report as follows: —

At the meeting of the Association held in Andover, the Business Committee, in response to a recommendation of the Committee on Missionary Work, reported the following form for a statistical blank, and it was referred to a committee consisting of the secretary, the registrar and Rev. Doremus Scudder, with power to act: —

"BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: How many dollars, omitting fractions, were given since your last report by your congregation, and by all its auxiliary organizations, including such donations of individuals as have come to your notice, to each of the following societies, through their treasuries, in no case including legacies or home expenses: —

"(1) The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions and its Woman's Auxiliaries?

"(2) The Congregational Home Missionary Society, including the State Society and Woman's Auxiliary?

"(3) The American Missionary Association and Woman's Auxiliary?

"(4) The Congregational Church Building Society and Woman's Auxiliary?

"(5) The Congregational Education Society and Woman's Auxiliary?

"(6) The Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society and Woman's Auxiliary?"

Also for

"(7) Relief of aged or disabled ministers and their families?

"(8) All other charities, including money expended in furnishing missionary goods and boxes, and all gifts to objects not Congregational, but in no case church expenses?"

After consultation with the Executive Committees of the six missionary societies, it was decided by your committee to memorialize the National Council, requesting it to authorize its Publishing Committee to devote two columns in reporting the benevolent offerings made for the work of each society and kindred work. In order to do this it was suggested that the names of the Sunday-school superintendents might be omitted from the tables and printed elsewhere.

Your committee has received the following reply from the secretary of the National Council: —

Rev. Eugene C. Webster, Secretary Massachusetts General Association, Boston, Mass.: —

Dear Sir, — With reference to a memorial from Massachusetts respecting Year Book changes, your attention is called to the following as quoted from the "Minutes of National Council, 1901."

Page 18. — "*It was voted*, That the question of changes in the Year Book be referred to a committee, who were later appointed as follows: Rev. Edward F. Williams, of Illinois; Thomas Todd, of Massachusetts; Rev. Alexander Milne, of Minnesota; Rev. James Dean, of New York; Rev. Homer W. Hildreth, of Vermont."

Page 33. — "The committee to which was referred the memorial from the general Association of Massachusetts, having carefully considered its requests, begs leave to report: —

"(1) That in its judgment the names of the Sunday-school superintendents should not be dropped from the Year Book, but a place be found for them in a list arranged alphabetically by States at the end of the returns.

"(2) That inasmuch as the Secretary of the Council has a plan for presenting the benevolence of the churches which covers the request contained in the memorial, the committee needs only to suggest that the working out of the plan in its details be left to him.

"(3) That the proposal to secure reports from the treasurers of our various societies being experimental in its character, the future alone can determine its value, and that the registrars of the associations of the different States be therefore advised to employ such measures in obtaining their reports as in their judgment may seem wise and necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

"E. F. WILLIAMS,
"THOMAS TODD,
"Rev. ALEXANDER MILNE,
"Rev. JAMES DEAN,
"Rev. H. W. HILDRETH,
"*Committee.*

"Yours very truly,

"ASHER ANDERSON,
"*Secretary of National Council.*"

By vote of the Association several years ago, the tables printed in the Massachusetts Minutes have been made to conform to those printed in the National Council's Year Book; but this is no longer necessary. Therefore, in accordance with the suggestion of the National Council, your committee suggests that a committee of five, of which the secretary and registrar shall be members, be appointed early in this session to consider the advisability of recommending to the Association the following resolution, viz.:

That on January 1, 1903, the statistics of the benevolent contributions be gathered in such a way that they will show, first, the contributions received from each church by each Society, and, second, the

amount of benevolent contributions made by each church for the work kindred to each society.

The recommendation referred to your committee "that hereafter the 'Year Book' and State 'Minutes' report the statistics as they stand on January 1st, as far as Massachusetts is concerned," was adopted and the Secretary so instructed.

By vote of your committee to which the matter was referred, the Secretary was instructed to secure the statistics of Young People's Societies which are connected with missions and chapels.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE C. WEBSTER,
FRANCIS J. MARSH.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROPOSING TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION

At the last meeting of the General Association at Andover, the following resolution on temperance legislation was introduced by Rev. P. S. Moxom, of Springfield.

"In view of the fact that the present 'License' system of the Commonwealth allows the sale of intoxicating liquors to be stimulated by the motive of individual gain, which is clearly contrary to public policy; and the inaction under such conditions is discreditable: —

Resolved, That this Association appoint at some time, during the present meeting, a committee of five to devise some plan which may serve as a proposal for legislation hereafter to be sought, by which the stimulus of private interest may be withdrawn from the sale of alcoholic beverages, by vote of the citizenship in the municipalities which have voted to license the sale of intoxicating liquors for the last five consecutive years.

Be it further Resolved, That in view of the pauperism and crime inseparable from the sale of alcoholic beverages, even under the best terms, that moneys accruing from such sale, above expenses, a low rate of interest upon capital employed and the present license fees shall be employed in the relief of pauperism, and for the prevention and correction of crime.

Resolved, That the draft of this measure after it has been prepared by the committee shall be printed and forwarded to the churches two weeks before the next annual meeting of this Association and shall be discussed at that meeting with the view to its acceptance and indorsement by the Association."

Your committee was appointed to consider this resolution without instructions and to propose to this body needed temperance legislation.

Laws restricting or prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage cannot be enacted and enforced in a democracy where every criminal is entitled to jury trial, unless heartily supported by a substantial majority of the voters. We shall confine our recommendations to such legislation as seems both desirable and attainable in the not distant future.

No attempt has ever been made to entirely prohibit the manufacture and sale of all intoxicants in this Commonwealth. Under our present system of high license with local option, the sale of intoxicating beverages in no-license cities and towns has been as effectually suppressed as under any other system. The success attained has depended largely on local public sentiment. Public officials in general represent and carry out the will of the average citizen.

In many no-license municipalities where the people earnestly desire to suppress the saloon and sale of intoxicants, the almost unrestricted sale of cider and native wines by farmers and manufacturers allowed under existing laws has produced the "cider joint" resorted to by those determined to get drunk on anything available.

Our legislators have assumed that the brewer and habitual beer drinker will vote "yes" on the liquor question while the farmer will generally vote "no" if the sale of his product is not interfered with. In such cities and towns farmers, cider and wine makers should be required to sell their cider and wine before they become intoxicating or to licensed liquor dealers in the places where the sale of intoxicating liquors is permitted by law.

We think that a large majority of farmers will sustain us in this recommendation.

A government monopoly of the liquor traffic has been widely established in the Russian empire — not so much for the purpose of promoting temperance as to divert the large profits of the business from private individuals to the public treasury. The end sought has been accomplished, the net profits of the sale of liquors during the past year being reported as in excess of $400,000,000.

Private individuals and corporations in Great Britain, generally in small places, have met with a moderate success in eliminating some of the evils of this business by conducting inns and other places for the sale of liquor so far as possible with some regard for the welfare of the community. Only pure liquors are sold, and within reasonable hours, while generally unsuccessful efforts are made to push the sale of temperance drinks as a substitute for alcoholic beverages.

The profits in excess of fair interest on the capital and a small contribution to a sinking-fund are applied to public and charitable purposes.

The so-called dispensary system of selling liquors, first adopted in the State of South Carolina and with certain modifications in North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, South Dakota and possibly in other States, has advantages well summed up in *Zion's Herald* by Rev. Charles Parkhurst.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA DISPENSARY LAW

THREE FACTS: —

1. Only pure liquors are provided. All liquors are chemically assayed by an expert and nothing is allowed to be sold unless it is pure.

2. There is no appeal to the selfishness or avarice of those who are employed in the business. The greed of gain, the desire to receive the largest returns for money and time and strength put into the business, is the loadstone which draws many a saloon-keeper among us to the business and which tempts him, when once engaged in it, to make men drunken, and to teach minors and women to drink. But all this is entirely taken away by the Dispensary Law. Everybody employed in the business receives a salary, which is in no case based upon the amount of liquors sold. It makes no difference in any way to the manager of a dispensary whether he sells a half pint per day or several gallons.

3. The significant fact which has already been suggested that with no open saloon and no enticements, no evening and no night sales, and no sale to minors, the great business of drunkard making, which is so largely the accursed feature of our saloons, is eliminated.

SEVEN PROVISIONS

1. The law establishes a State board, which has entire control of the liquor traffic, said board having power to draw on the State treasury for all sums required in carrying on the business, and all moneys received from sales are turned into the State treasury.

2. All officials are salaried men and have no interest in the sales. They also must be known as temperate men.

3. A petition signed by a majority of the voters of any town or township is required to get a local dispensary. It must be plainly fitted up, open during the day time, closed on Sundays, holidays, and election days. No liquor can be drunk on the premises, nothing sold less than one-half pint of strong liquors, each package to be sealed and a certificate of purity attached. In each case the buyer must make out an application, giving name, etc. Not less than a bottle of beer is sold.

4. No liquor is sold to minors, intoxicated persons, known drunkards, or to one whose family has entered a protest against selling to him.

5. All the profits from the sale of liquors, — about $480,000 per year, — goes to the several counties of the State for public purposes and is expended without discrimination.

6. There are less than one hundred dispensaries in the State, whereas under license there were were more than a thousand legal places for the sale of liquor.

7. Public sentiment heartily supports the execution of the law and the summary effort to abolish the low dive, called in South Carolina the "Blind Tiger".

The unquestioned success attained under the law should commend it to the study of temperance people of all shades of opinion.

The principal objections to this system in South Carolina where the liquor business is conducted directly by the State, and not as in other States by counties or local communities, are as follows, viz. :—

1. The people of the State conduct a business in its very nature promoting immorality, poverty and crime.

2. The State Board of Control, with its numerous appointees under salary, constitutes a great political machine which can be used to promote the interests of the party in power.

3. As there are no licensed liquor dealers, who have paid large fees for the privilege of selling intoxicants, there is no one having any pecuniary interest in stopping illegal sales.

The weight of evidence from South Carolina and still more from North Carolina, where the dispensaries are under local control and management, is that in States having a largely rural population, this system is the best yet devised for curtailing the evils of the liquor traffic, when local prohibition cannot be enacted and enforced. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts seems definitely committed to the policy of public sharing in the profits of the liquor traffic in some form.

Many of the most vigorous advocates of the "no license" propaganda advocate legislation to require all license fees to be paid into the State treasury, instead of one-third to the State and two-thirds to the city or town as at present.

We fail to see any difference in principle between using for public purpose the profits of this business when conducted by the State, as in South Carolina and Russia, and using the license fees which are paid out of such profits. So long as the profits of liquor selling are paid into the public treasury, in whole or in part, and applied to the support of any municipal department which must be otherwise provided for by direct taxation, the taxpayer is to that extent relieved. The dispensary system in no way provides a substitute for the social attractions of the saloon. It does not permit the use of alcoholic beverages in connection with food in hotels and restaurants. It would not in our judgment be sustained by public opinion in a metropolitan city like Boston, where the demand for beer, wine and liquors to be drunk on the premises comes not only from voters of foreign birth and education in the metropolitan district, but from the patrons of innumerable hotels and lodging places

frequented by travellers from all parts of the United States and other countries.

It is probable that there are a considerable number of towns and cities in this Commonwealth, which have voted continuously for licensing the sale of intoxicants for a number of years, in which a majority of the citizens desire a revenue in some form from the liquor traffic, which they look upon as inevitable, and yet wish to avoid as far as possible the dangers of the saloon.

We recommend, therefore, that the experiment of authorizing the introduction of the dispensary system in some form be tried in Massachusetts in municipalities which have voted continuously for license for not less than five years, when the approval of the local licensing authorities or the voters can be obtained.

The necessary details of such a measure are too lengthy to be included in our report, and too technical for the determination of a temporary body like this Association.

For the Committee,
WILLIAM T. FORBES, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

Your Committee on Temperance was appointed without instructions to act in any direction; therefore its work has been mainly that of an outlook committee.

Early in the summer, upon coming together, we found that we must accept the resignation of one whom the Association had honored with a place upon this committee, and the vacancy thus caused was filled by vote of the remaining members of the committee.

On October 1, 1901, your committee sent the following communication to all of the pastors in the State : —

"*Dear Brother :* —

"The members of the Temperance Committee of the General Association, upon coming together, find that no special instructions have been extended to the committee, and they do not understand that it devolves upon them to take the initiative in legislative matters in behalf of the General Association. Therefore, it seems that the duty of the committee *this* year also is mainly that of outlook.

"However, it may be within the province of this committee to aid the churches in any way possible to increase their interest in the cause of temperance. To this end we urge that you preach on the subject of

the suppression of the liquor traffic, dealing with local issues, before your town or municipal election.

"We would also suggest that an active temperance committee be appointed in your church, if such a committee does not already exist. The Temperance Committee of last year urged the churches to co-operate with all other temperance organizations which are working for the same ends. We recommend the same course.

"Finally, we take the opportunity of asking for suggestions with reference to all forms of temperance work. How may the Temperance Committee of the Association be of greatest service to the churches? How much shall it undertake? Can the General Association unite on any proposed method of legislation."

To the last two or three questions, there have been received only two or three replies; and these are the questions that the next committee on temperance will want to have answered before it sets out on its next year's work.

One of the significant events of the year is the outcome of the work which has, for more than two years, been quietly but persistently carried forward by the Committee of Twelve, appointed in January, 1900, at the meeting held in the vestry of Park Street Church. This committee consists of six from the educational and six from the temperance forces of the State, and one of the special lines of work undertaken has been the preparation of an outline Course of Study in Physiology and Hygiene, with special reference to the nature and effects of alcoholic liquors and other narcotics for the public schools. While it seemed at first, in view of the wide divergency of opinions entertained by several members of the committee, as if no unanimous action could be reached, the difficulties have been patiently and steadily overcome by a spirit of mutual concession till at the meeting held on May 8 a suggestive outline course covering the first four school years was adopted without a dissenting vote, and will very soon be given to the public. This cannot fail to do great good; indeed, the fact that unity of action as to method has been secured by such a committee, is of greater moment than the specific method decided upon, since it marks another mile-stone passed on the high road of mutual tolerance and mutual co-operation in a reform which has, so frequently, brought into prominent play the opposite characteristics.

The new problem about the use of alcohol in mechanics is of much importance. In France and Germany the national administration si committed to the policy of vastly increasing the price and decreasing the cost of alcohol. The beet and potato industries are being fostered to this end, and the fact gives rise to the most extravagant prophecies. Mechanical exhibitions for exploiting the fuel use of alcohol are now frequent and notable. When alcohol can be made at a commercial

profit for fifteen cents a gallon or less, our own national financiers will be compelled to face the demand for a reduction of the tax, now yielding in its various forms more than one-fourth of our entire revenue. This question must in the near future bear very strongly on the conditions of the temperance problem, for all alcohols will be involved.

It will be of interest to note the increase in the liquor business since 1890. The chief statistician of the United States census office has given out a preliminary report on the manufacture of liquors.

STATISTICS ON MANUFACTURE OF LIQUORS

	1900.	1890.	Per cent. of increase.
Number of establishments	2,549	1,924	48.1
Capital.....	$457,674,087	$269,270,249	70.0
Wage-earners, average number.	44,417	36,067	23.2
Total wages.....	$28,005,484	$23,258,900	20.4
Miscellaneous expenses.....	183,099,796	113,726,594	61.0
Cost of materials used.....	70,512,042	80,230,532	* 12.1
Value of products.....	340,615,466	289,775,639	17.5

* Decrease.

This summary includes all the liquor manufacturing establishments, and shows an increase of 48 per cent. The capital invested has increased 70 per cent,, and the value of the products has increased 17 per cent.; but the lack of uniformity in reporting internal tax accounts renders the latter figure somewhat doubtful. The cost of materials has actually *decreased* 12 per cent. This clearly indicates that the brewers have found something with which to make their beer besides the products of the farm.

Several pages of a report like this could be filled with some account of the temperance movement in Russia, France, Great Britain, Canada and throughout the United States. Such a narrative would show the effort that is being made in Mississippi in behalf of prohibition, and in New Hampshire in behalf of the enforcement of her State law; but Massachusetts in the main commands our chief attention.

The recently published reports of the prison commissioners of the State of Massachusetts throws interesting light upon the question of drunkenness as related to nationality. The report, on page 163, gives the birthplaces of the prisoners committed for drunkenness to all the penal institutions of Massachusetts for the year ending September 13, 1901. By this it appears that Massachusetts leads, far and away, in numbers. Out of a total of 17,962, 6,974 were born in that State, while 2,475 were born in the other States of the Union. The only foreign

countries that figure to any appreciable extent are the British provinces, that is to say, Canada, and Ireland. Poor Ireland is credited with 5,012. The following is the table in full:

Massachusetts	6,974
Other States	2,475
British Provinces	1,581
Ireland	5,012
England	956
Scotland	337
Germany	76
Sweden	178
Norway	23
Austria	41
Russia	31
Poland	41
Finland	94
Italy	41
Denmark	21
Wales	16
Miscellaneous	45
Unknown	3
Total	17,945

In studying this table it should be noted that of the population of Massachusetts — by the last census — 1,959,022 are native-born Americans and 846,324 of foreign birth. The native population furnishes 9,449 of the commitments for drunkenness, and the foreign population 8,513.

The rate per thousand among native-born citizens is thus shown to be 4.8. The rate among those of foreign birth is 10. It is to be kept in mind, however, that commitments in default of fine are probably more frequent among the foreign born than among native Americans.

Field for another valuable study is furnished in the same recently published annual report of the prison commissioners of this State. Massachusetts has 33 cities. During the last official year 18 of these cities granted liquor licenses, while 15 were under no-license. The report mentioned tabulates the number of arrests for drunkenness and the number of arrests for other offenses in each of these cities. We have taken the figures thus furnished and prepared separate tables of the no-license cities and of the license cities, showing the arrests in each class, the number of arrests for drunkenness and the number of arrests for other offenses per each thousand of the population in each city, and the average of each class of cities.

From these tables which are presented herewith, it will be seen that while the license cities average THIRTY ARRESTS FOR DRUNKENNESS for every thousand of population, the no-license cities average BUT THIRTEEN, and that while the arrests for other offenses average SEVENTEEN PER THOUSAND IN THE LICENSE CITIES, the similar average in the no-license cities was BUT ELEVEN per thousand.

LICENSE CITIES

CITIES.	Population.	Arrests for Drunkenness.	Arrests for Other Offenses.	Drunks per 1,000.	Other Arrests per 1,000.
Boston	560,892	19,556	13,530	34	24
Chicopee	19,167	307	231	16	12
Fall River	104,863	2,215	2,086	21	19
Gloucester	26,121	775	333	29	12
Haverhill	37,175	1,029	609	27	16
Holyoke	45,712	814	537	17	11
Lawrence	62,559	1,326	895	21	14
Lowell	94,696	3,510	1,031	35	10
Lynn	68,513	2,646	1,139	38	16
Marlborough	13,609	209	128	15	9
New Bedford	65,442	1,107	797	16	10
Newburyport	14,478	618	246	42	16
North Adams	24,200	683	492	28	20
Northampton	18,643	511	106	27	5
Pittsfield	21,766	834	249	38	11
Springfield	62,059	1,448	1,722	23	11
Taunton	31,036	832	349	26	11
Worcester	118,421	3,485	1,434	29	12
Average	77,201	2,322	1,334	30	17

NO-LICENSE CITIES

CITIES.	Population.	Arrests for Drunkenness.	Arrests for Other Offenses.	Drunks per 1,000.	Other Arrests per 1,000.
Beverly	13,884	157	91	11	6
Brockton	40,063	571	505	14	12
Cambridge	91,886	1,497	1,628	16	17
Chelsea	34,072	349	572	10	16
Everett	24,336	271	198	11	8
Fitchburg	31,531	668	322	21	10
Malden	33,664	270	274	8	8
Medford	18,244	160	133	8	7
Melrose	12,962	67	76	5	5
Newton	33,587	479	293	13	8
Quincy	23,899	153	276	16	11
Salem	35,956	680	349	18	9
Somerville	61,643	719	660	11	10
Waltham	23,481	424	238	18	10
Woburn	14,254	327	158	22	11
Average	32,897	454	384	13	11

For the correct interpretation of all these figures certain facts will need to be remembered.

First. In the no-license cities practically every case of drunkenness appearing upon the streets is followed by an arrest. This arises from two causes; first, that public sentiment will not tolerate public drunkenness, and second, that the officials of almost all the no-license cities are not in sympathy with prohibitory law, and make arrests for drunkenness for the purpose of discrediting the law.

Second. That many of these cities, like Cambridge, are situated so close to license cities that they receive what might be called the overflow from the liquor-selling of their neighbors. The police of Cambridge have made the public statement that the greater part of all the arrests for drunkenness in that city take place along the streets that come out of Boston.

Third. That at best the local no-license in force in Massachusetts cities is no-license with only half a chance, since the no-license territory is under constant siege by the united liquor interests of the country, abetted by local, state and national officers.

About thirty bills were referred by the Legislature this year to its Committee on Liquor Laws. Many have been the complaints in the past that the temperance people are all the time deluging the Legislalature for liquor-law amendments and changes in the statutes; but this year all but two or three of the acts that have been petitioned for were proposals for modifications of existing laws in the interest of liquor sellers. A partial enumeration of these measures will serve to show that the saloons are not in the least diffident about letting their wants be known.

As has been the case for several years, the so-called "abutter's law," under which the owners of adjoining property are allowed to object to the granting of saloon licenses, was one of the chief objects of attack. Four bills were introduced to weaken the force of that law; but the law was not changed.

There was another group of bills intended to enlarge the privileges of licensed innholders. One of these provided that a licensed innholder "may at any time" supply liquor to guests for food or lodging. Two other bills sought to confer upon licensed innholders the coveted privilege of selling liquor for twenty-four hours in the day and seven days in the week. These bills failed of passage.

House bill No. 468 proposed to take away from the citizens of Boston the right of voting upon the license question, and directed that Boston "shall always be considered as voting 'yes.'" On this the committee voted "leave to withdraw." Another bill favored a biennial vote on the license question in Boston. These proposals, however, by no means exhaust the list of things which the saloon interests want. But from them we may derive additional argument in favor of instructing the

temperance committee that may be appointed by this body for next year, as to their duties in legislative matters.

At the last elections in Massachusetts four cities have been added to the no-license column, and one has been lost. There was a net loss of sixteen towns, but a gain for no-license in the popular vote of about five thousand.

A revival in attention to civic order in various portions of the Commonwealth is quite noticeable, and acts favorably on the saloon problem.

A federation of the local no-license leagues and kindred organizations in this State has been formed this spring and may prove helpful to the cause in many ways.

The most important move that has been made this year is the organization of the Boston Temperance Federation with Mr. Samuel B. Shapleigh of Allston as president. This Federation seeks to combine the temperance forces of the whole city, and its first public work was the introduction into the Legislature of a bill which asks for the extension of the right of local option to the eight natural geographical districts of Boston.

Only they can understand the force of the urgent appeal for local option in the residential districts of Boston, and why that appeal is to the whole Commonwealth, who realize the situation, population and character of these districts. Of the eight districts now comprising the City of Boston, all but one were once distinct towns, and separated, as they still are in large degree, by natural barriers from the old City, now known as the commercial centre. Charlestown, with its forty-one thousand population, lying north of the Charles River, is a community by itself, quite as distinct as Cambridge. East Boston, with its forty-five thousand, lies still farther removed across the harbor. South Boston, with its seventy thousand, lies beyond Fort Channel. Roxbury, with its one hundred and five thousand, formerly connected with the city only by a narrow neck a mile long, and with a single street, has been brought closer by the Back Bay filling, but is still a wholly distinct community, with residential interests quite separate from the business interests of the centre. Still farther removed, and beyond Roxbury, lie Dorchester, with its eighty thousand, and West Roxbury, with its forty thousand. Then lying as a peninsular more than three miles from old Boston, and surrounded by the no-license communities of Cambridge, Brookline, Newton and Watertown, and only united to the city by one long avenue, is Brighton, with its almost twenty thousand population. Now, these are all residential districts to a far greater degree than most towns or cities of equal population. Yet under the special license legislation for the City of Boston these districts come under the ratio of one license for each five hundred population, whereas the ratio for all other localities of the State is but one for every thousand population. If it be granted that liquor must be sold in the commercial centre of Boston

yet there is far greater reason why these outlying residential districts should be free from the bane of the saloon than for most other towns or cities. Now, what is asked for these districts is first, that they be released from the special legislation which now controls Boston, and be placed in precisely the same status as the remainder of the State. They ask for the same privilege possessed elsewhere of voting for their own district on the question of the saloon, instead of being compelled to couple a decision for that district and for the whole city in a single vote. Under present conditions thousands of temperance men, who would gladly banish the saloon from all these residential regions, but who believe that the inevitable sale in the commercial centre should be regulated and restricted, now vote for what they deem a restrictive measure in the license tax. But what these thousands would do when privileged to vote for their own district was amply proven when at the last election the Brighton district, urged to show its sentiment at the polls, reversed the last five years three-fifths vote for license by a three-fifths vote for no-license.

It is reasonably certain that within a brief period a majority of these districts would vote out a nuisance which does more than all else to debar the best class of residents. Indeed, it is within easy probability that every one of these districts will refuse to tolerate the worst foe to every economic, as well as moral, interest. But the injury done under present conditions is to the State as well, since the moral health of Boston is a matter of utmost importance to every other town and city. The addition of an area with three hundred and seventy thousand population to the present no-license territory would carry to the legislature each year a body of men whom no liquor interest could control. It is well known to-day that though Massachusetts is by a large majority a no-license State, yet the Legislature persists each year in resisting temperance measures, and that every liquor committee for years has been distinctly adverse to every appeal in the interest of farther restriction. The bestowal of local option on the districts of Boston will inaugurate not only a new era for Boston but for the entire Commonwealth. But the chief injury wrought by present conditions is to the old city, where more than half the eight hundred licenses to which the population of the seven residential districts give title are now crowded into the centre, or thrust upon the helpless poor of the North or West Ends.

One objection urged against this bill is the supposed danger that the granting of district option to Boston will be the opening wedge for a ward option for all other cities and towns and a possible loss of present no-license gain. But our contention is that no such sequence can be justly urged. Boston, with these great outlying towns for its component districts, stands in an entirely separate category. Just as Chicago has given to Hyde Park this right of local option, so it is fit that Massachusetts should restore to these districts of Boston the only

weapon of the ballot whereby they can protect themselves from the saloon evil.

The Committee on Liquor Law reported on the District Option Bill, leave to withdraw, but upon motion of Representative Edward H. Keith of Brockton the bill was substituted for the report of the committee. The "referendum" was attached to the enacting section and the bill ordered to a third reading, when this paragraph was written. Your committee had hoped to report the passage of the bill.

In conclusion, your committee recommends to the Association that it instruct its Temperance Committee as to its duties and powers, and in case the recommendation to instruct the Temperance Committee is adopted it further recommends that a special committee be appointed to draft such instructions and to report thereon at a later session of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY OBSERVANCE

The question what should be the attitude of the church, of Christian people, and all good citizens toward the problem of Sunday Observance is challenging the attention of men both in and outside the church.

It is not the purpose of your committee to enter into a discussion as to the authority for the observance of a stated day of the week for a legal Sunday. The change from the seventh day to the first day of the week following the resurrection of Christ is a very logical one, and needs neither argument nor defence.

Taking the three dispensations as found in the Bible, we recognize the Patriarchal Sabbath, as commemorating God's rest from creation, the Jewish Sabbath, commemorating deliverance, and celebrated as a day of feasting and thanksgiving, and the Christian Sabbath, a product of the Christian Church commemorating the resurrection of Christ.

We accept the Fourth Commandment as belonging to the greatest code of moral laws the world has ever known,—laws fundamental and abiding.

It was the Fourth Commandment which the Christian Church took as the basis for Sunday observance. Into it was breathed the spirit with which Christ interpreted the law. He gave a new meaning to it, and

made men understand as they never had understood before, how God would have His laws kept.

There are three classes of people between whom we must discriminate, when we discuss this subject.

First. We have those who are distinctly Christian, who are dominated by Christian conceptions.

Second. The non-Christian, who resent Christian conceptions and are irritated by Christian restrictions, and

Third. That class who are illiterate, sensual, and greatly lacking in those attributes to be found in the normal healthy men, however poor or uneducated he may be.

The first class —

The Christians, dominated by Christian principles, believe in the Sabbath as a day of privilege, a day of opportunity for doing service to others. It brings spiritual refreshment and affords the needed time in the week for taking fresh hold upon the things that make for righteousness. It is a day to be made different from all other days of the week, because "it enshrines some of the most precious promises of God, and bears some of the deepest blessings to individual and nation".

The second class —

The non-Christians, care little for religion, although it may be many of them are what they are, because of the religion they reject. Their early lives have perhaps been influenced by nothing so much as the Sabbath, which is now so irksome to them. But they have forgotten all this, and while kind, benevolent and philanthropic, they are opposed to Sunday laws in general. The restrictions placed upon them by the present Sunday laws are burdensome, and from their standpoint encroach upon their liberty. This class comprises many of high intelligence, of good character, influential, often of large means, and consequently a power in the community. This class, in many respects, is the most difficult class to deal with.

The third class —

The anti-Christians, are indifferent to all that stands for religion, the humanities, culture, rest and quiet, yes, even law and order. They cry, "away with Sunday, we do not want it, but instead we want a holiday on which we can go where we please, and do as we please".

These three classes are found in every community, and they are all to be reckoned with in reaching a solution of this most difficult problem.

Other considerations entering into the right settlement of the Sunday problem are, the rule of the majority, and the highest material, moral and spiritual good to the greatest number or to the whole.

Taking the conditions as we find them throughout the State, Massachusetts is distinctly Christian in its character, laws, customs, and institutions.

The Christian men and women of this Commonwealth cannot afford to

have any element eliminated that shall make the State less Christian in order to appease the non-Christian element. What is the history of the Christian Sabbath during the past nineteen centuries? Its influence upon our own national life cannot be estimated, while the finest and best growth of all civilized nations has advanced or receded, as those nations have recognized or failed to recognize the day.

As to the other considerations involved, one of the fundamental prin ciples of our democracy is the civic law of the rule of the majority. Even should our religious differences prevent the peaceful solution of the Sunday problem on moral grounds, the law of the rule of the majority would solve the difficulty, for no one will for a moment doubt that a large majority of the people of this State still believe in the American Sabbath. The last consideration namely, the greatest good to the greatest number, is incorporated into the fabric of our national, State, and municipal life. Here again we must concede the settlement of the problem without involving the denominational or religious question. At a meeting recently held in New York City for the discussion of the Sunday saloon question, Mr. Jerome made a strong plea for the open saloon on Sunday, in the interests of men who must have their beer on that day. In the same address he entered his protest against the referendum, with the statement that if left to the people to vote upon, the movement would be defeated by sixty thousand majority. When men holding high office seek to force upon a community something which only a minority wish, we cannot close our eyes to the danger that threatens. This does not concern us in Massachusetts, you may say. We believe the danger is in no wise confined to the State of New York. Take for instance, the bill legalizing in our own State Sunday entertainments under the name of "Sacred concerts", and the bill passed in 1900 legalizing the sale of tobacco in any form. Is there any doubt as to who wished these bills enacted? Certainly not the majority of the people of our Commonwealth. The last-named bill when held up to the careful scrutiny of the individual voter, is shown to be the work of the cheap politician. It permits the sale of tobacco in any form by licensed innholders, common victualers, druggists and news dealers. Immediately upon the passage of this bill confectionery dealers by the hundreds put a few tables in their stores, and with a small supply of sandwiches, announced themselves as "common victualers", and were licensed as such, while a still greater number of cigar and tobacco dealers by putting on their counters a few daily papers, were able to keep open store as "news dealers".

To all Christian people the protection of Sunday should make a most powerful appeal, for to-day as never before, pressure is being brought to bear to secularize the day. Many excuses are given for this, the chief one being a desire to meet the needs of the workingman. A very practical problem confronts the church, and in an attempt to get light upon

it, that we might better serve you, a list of questions was prepared and sent to every Congregational clergyman in the State.

The request was made that we be given, first, the attitude of the clergymen themselves, and then that of the most thoughtful people of their congregation, and what they judged to be the attitude of the community in which they lived. There have been returned to us one hundred and eighty blanks, the majority of which are filled out complete.

The questions asked were as follows:

1. What do you consider to be the right and wise stand for the church to take in the matter of Sunday observance?
2. Are the present laws satisfactory?
3. Should any of the present laws be modified? if so, which, and in what way?
4. Is it desirable to permit the playing of golf, and similar recreations on private and public grounds on Sunday?
5. Should the opening of museums, reading rooms, and libraries, and like places on Sunday be encouraged?
6. Should the opening of school buildings for social purposes, and the yards for playgrounds on Sunday be encouraged?
7. Should we encourage Sunday concerts in public parks and squares, supported by private subscriptions or town or city appropriations?
8. Pending the modification of the present laws, should their enforcement be insisted upon?
9. Would a general observance of the Saturday half-holiday help in any way to solve the Sunday problem and increase church attendance?

We quote from a few of the many answers received:

1st Question. "What do you consider to be the right and wise stand for the church to take in the matter of Sunday observance?"

"The church should teach people the reason for church attend. ance, the value of it, and the necessity of it. The church should stand firmly against the secularization of Sunday. And yet the church must realize the terrible conditions of city life, and stand for such Sundays as will be of real rest and refreshment to the multitude of the poor. The church should stand against the opening of business, shops on Sunday, and against theatrical entertainment, even when called 'benefits'."

"As to legislation — Retain just such laws as we have and strengthen them as we can. Our safety is not in legislation, but Christian conscience and consistency. Church must do better or die, as it ought. Church membership is a big farce in numberless instances."

"To insist that the Sabbath is a divine institution, and should be so employed as to yield the highest development. It should serve man's threefold nature, body, mind, spirit. Neither exclusively."

"To discourage all entertainments and sports, all park concerts, and all needless travel, together with the Sunday newspaper."

"So far as possible the day should be reserved for 'rest, worship and deeds of love and mercy'. But the traditional observance, which forbids taking walks on Sunday or any healthful exercise during a part of the day, does more harm than good."

"Condemnation of Sunday newspapers; rest at home; worship; holding the day sacred, with reverence, but not superstition, nor with rigidity of our Puritan fathers; make it 'Day of all the week the best'."

"Not to be too prudish or puritanical in unessential matters. To leave much in those respects, to individual judgment and conscience. Teach about this as other things, that personally, we must not undertake to be conscience for others."

"Recognize the sanctity of the day without making it offensively puritanical."

"The stand our Saviour took. 'The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.' I do not believe in the 'continental' Sabbath, neither do I believe in the 'Blue Laws' Sabbath. I believe in a common sense Christ-dominated Sabbath. Obligatory labor or traveling on Sunday is not Sabbath desecration."

"That it is a day of rest and worship. That modern methods of life have made necessary much work that formerly could be dispensed with, but necessity should be the law. We should emphasize the positive side of the question."

"Insist strongly on Sunday as a day for the spiritual betterment of man. Freed from labor and mere pleasure. The church should unite with any agency (labor unions, etc.,) which tries to reduce the amount of labor performed on that day. But also insist that it be not turned into mere holiday."

"Should make its observance a joy and not a burden. 2. Should be a rest day, — too much church service is not beneficial. 3. Should urge men to make it a time for getting near to God, through, — (*a*) church service, (*b*) family life, (*c*) study of natural world."

"The same as to any other good or right thing. We have no right to force men to do right for their own sakes. That is putting our conscience in the place of theirs. But I should teach and practice strict observance and enforce it, where the Sabbath breaker offend against others."

"One which will impress the world as a position of sweet reasonableness, not austerity, by no means indifference, but an affectionate and Christian interest in the general welfare; an interest enlightened by prayer and study, and free from prejudice."

"To develop the sentiment that regards the economic value of Sunday as a social provision for the culture of man's spiritual nature ; also as a day whose essential value is manifest in the history of civilization."

"It seems to me the first duty of the church is to preach Sunday as a day of privilege — privilege to worship, to sing, to rest, to rejoice in all high beautiful things, to grow one's soul, commune with God and nature, and read good books. The church's official attitude ought to be to protest against anything that would keep others from this privilege. She should also see that present laws are enforced."

"The church should explain from the pulpit and through the press the sacredness of Sunday as a divine institution. Not sacred in itself, but sacred in that it is a day for rest and spiritual meditation. We should try to stimulate a sense of true appreciation for the Sabbath."

"I am in doubt about the desirability of the church in its organized capacity doing much to directly influence or control legislation. There is always the danger of coming to rely upon external rather than inter nal forces, and of a reaction in the community against the church if there is an attempt to control public affairs. This should be the work of individual citizens and of organizations formed for this purpose."

"Stand for that use of the Sabbath that will conserve man's religious welfare. This includes all other interests. Those who ignore this trample upon man's well-being and all that promotes it. The demands of our day are not that we observe Sunday *less* religiously, but every day more religiously. Religion is life. Our mistake is distinguishing between religion and life."

"To itself observe the Sabbath as it would have others observe it, and teach men so. To support laws that provide for a Sabbath rest from all labor and business."

"To do what will best carry out the spirit of Christ, but irrespective of hard and fast rules."

"Recognize the existing situation, and seek to retain its leadership by such an attitude as will compel respect."

2d Question. Are the present laws satisfactory ?

Yes, 58. No, 55. Not posted, 60.

"They are mostly a disgrace."
"They allow too much buying and selling."
"They are better than their observance by the people."
"You can't make a man decent by law."
"No, why should the newspaper business be especially favored."
"The laws are not satisfactory, because too weak, not strong enough."

3d Question. Should any of the present laws be modified? if so, which, and in what way?

"Let well enough alone; statute tinkering would prove a boomerang."

"Modify laws against railroad and steamboat excursions and freighting."

"Modification has already gone too far."

"Laws forbidding sports on Saturday evening should be changed; also law against traveling."

"A stricter law governing the sale of liquor by innholders."

4th Question. Is it desirable to permit the playing of golf, and similar recreations on private and public grounds on Sunday?

Yes, 8. No, 148.

"It is sheer profanation of the day so to use it."

"No, emphatically, from experience in England and on the Continent."

"It is significantly sad that such a question can be seriously asked."

"Given a Sunday holiday, and it will not be long before we shall have a Sunday work-day."

"What right have we to stop it?"

"If a man live on a desert island, he can claim absolute freedom, but not as a part of society."

"Do not attempt to forbid them by law, but discourage by the practice of Christian people."

"I do not see how churches can prevent this if people wish to do so."

"No, especially because not in the interest of the class of people who need time for recreation."

"The welfare of children and youth demands its suppression, independent of the actual sin."

"It is a choice of occupation. Open air recreation is certainly preferable to some other forms of amusement."

One would have the church "use influence against golf," but "would not favor legislation."

"Such freedom tends to check other evils. Better than loafing and worse things which people would otherwise do."

"Legislation has nothing to do with such matters except when these things interfere with the rights of others."

A prominent worker among labor unions (a clergyman) gives as his judgment a most emphatic "yes" to the question. He would have public grounds established where working men and women may have free access under proper restrictions and supervision from, say, 2 P. M. until evening.

5th Question. Should the opening of museums, reading rooms, and libraries, and like places on Sunday be encouraged?

Yes, 95. No, 44.

"Yes, because their influence is elevating."
"Better than beer gardens and saloons."
"I would not work library attendants."
"When the spirit of the Lord's Day pervades society as well as the church every innocent thing will contribute to its proper observance."
"Yes, when not involving loss of a rest day to custodians."
"Nothing should be allowed to be open with paid admission."
"It would hardly be worth while to oppose such a movement."
"Not to be encouraged by Christian people, but tolerated, if others work up a demand."
"Largely to be determined by the character of the community."
"See no reason why the city or town need supply pleasure, or means of obtaining it."

6th Question. Should the opening of school buildings for social purposes, and the yards for playgrounds on Sunday be encouraged?

Yes, 33. No, 119.

"It seems as if the Church might use such buildings and grounds to promote morality and truth."
"All that sort of thing weakens the Sabbath as a holy day."
"It might be helpful in tenement district, but not elsewhere."
"No more than we should open the factories and mills."

7th Question. Should we encourage Sunday concerts in public parks and squares, supported by private subscriptions or town or city appropriations?

Yes, 50. No, 92.

"Yes, if the quality of music can be kept right."
"Believe we should avoid getting great crowds of people together on Sunday, except for worship."
"It often results in general junketing."
"The law in favor of Sunday concerts should be revoked."

8th Question. Pending the modification of the present laws, should their enforcement be insisted upon?

Yes, 148. No,

"A law should not be on the statute books if it does not mean business."

"If we regard a law as bad or obsolete, we ought not to condemn officials too severely for non-enforcement."

"The spirit of the law should be enforced, with large wisdom and prudence as to the letter."

"No anarchy is more to be feared than non-enforced laws."

9th Question. Would a general observance of the Saturday half-holiday help in any way to solve the Sunday problem and increase church attendance?

Yes, 104. No, 55.

"It would doubtless help, but the greatest difficulty is with the individual, rather than his environment."

"After two and one-half years experience among the mill operatives of my city who are slaves to the factory whistle, I am convinced this is the best solution offered."

"I do not think half-holidays help much, church going depends upon disposition and will."

"Experience in England proves that the half-holiday does help."

A business man of New York City whose name is familiar the country over has replied to our series of questions. We quote a few sentences: "The day is God's gift to man to make more of a man of him, and his activity on the Sabbath should be given only to those things which will launch him into the week on Monday morning a better man than he was on Saturday night; that is, better fitted to work out the Christian ideal of manhood. This will certainly secure the place for at least one public service of worship, and will also give opportunity for a change from daily grind — to those whose lives are pretty well filled with strenuous labor. It will afford the chance for bodily rest and for mental and religious development. Every man and woman will be the better on Monday for having given their Sunday to some consideration for those who are sick or distressed, and to deliberately entering into their lives and helping them bear their burdens. Music, good reading (not by any means confined to the so-called religious reading), kindly social intercourse, both within the home and in the larger friendly circle, the enjoyment of the beauty God has spread all about us in nature (in reasonable ways having for their purpose that enjoyment, and not making a "spree" of it). All these can be used in right ways to tremendously advantageous results."

We hear a great deal said these days about the growth of our national life. Men boast of our having surpassed all other nations in commerce, public education and finance. We not infrequently point with pride to the fact that we have come to be a somewhat superior people, disregarding those things that retard growth and development, and having the keenness and good sense to hold to the essentials that make for

righteousness and the higher civilization. Lest there be danger of our casting away as no longer necessary to the highest growth what has been the very backbone of our national life, let us lose no opportunity to remind ourselves and those about us of what this nation owes to the Christian Sabbath. We are proud of our schools and colleges, our public institutions and our laws, but they have been made possible only by these Christian ideals, which as some one has said "have been nursed on the Lord's day." All we have that is fine and enduring can be traced to these same Christian ideals, and they must continue to dominate our religious, social, civic and national life, if we would mount to the heights before us. Your committee would emphasize the importance of uniting upon Sunday as the national rest day for all classes. In the first place men meet with less temptation on that day than they would on a week-day. They have greater opportunity for intercourse with their families than would be the case were they given their rest day during the week when their children are in school, and the mother busy with her household duties. Moreover, a rest day on any other day of the week than Sunday precludes the benefit to be derived from attendance at church, assuming that many would wish to avail themselves of the privilege.

With few exceptions the Lord's day can be made the accepted day of rest, and no effort should be spared by Christian people to make it as general as is possible under the changed condition in which we live. Many men who pride themselves on being "practical men", will argue that a man to be successful must keep his hand on the lever seven days in the week. They will say, "other men employ the day planning the week's work, why should not we?" "Other men run their factories and open their stores, and we must do the same or go out of business." Let us meet them with the practical statement that it has been demonstrated over and over again that a piece of machinery cannot be run continuously much more than a week without showing disastrous results. To those who have had occasion in manufacturing to work a night shift, it is a well-known fact, that it is impossible in a run of twenty hours to get from help double the results of a ten hour day. Do not these facts seem to furnish a physical basis for the Sunday rest day?

That the church-going people are not doing their duty in the matter of Sunday observance there can be no doubt. It is safe to say that many of the churches here represented, have on their rolls the names of men more or less active in supporting the movement for Sunday golf playing. And right here let us enter our earnest protest against this movement. The class of men constituting 90 per cent. of the golf players, are able to command more leisure than are any other class in the community.

It is useless to point out the fact that golf is unlike most sports in that it can be enjoyed without the congregating of crowds. With the

right to play golf established by law, how long will it be before all kinds of sports are legalized? Who would undertake to argue that it is right to play golf, and wrong to play baseball and football? If these games are allowed, nothing can prevent the legalizing of all sorts of games and sports for stormy and winter weather, such as pool, billiards, polo, etc. There are many who are sincere when they say they cannot see anything wrong in a quiet game of golf on Sunday, but these same people would condemn the legalizing of games and sports in general.

On the petitions that have come before the Legislature from time to time asking for a more open Sunday, are found the names of prominent church members. The petitions circulating in connection with what is known as the "soda bill" bore the signature of a large number of Christian people. A gentleman holding a prominent office in one of our leading cities when questioned as to why he signed this petition said, "if the law allowing the sale of cigars is annulled, I will lend my help to a movement to prevent the sale of soda, confectionery and ice cream." If the facts were known, no doubt many of those who signed the petition, would if questioned make the same reply. But "two wrongs never made a right."

Brethren, we are sadly in the wrong when we argue in this way, or listen without protest to such arguments on the part of our fellow church members. Emerson has said, "Those who are in the wrong cannot cure evils."

If we believe in the American Sunday, let us *live* as though we believed in it, for not until we are right ourselves can we hope to set others right.

It has been said that last year the municipal election in the City of New York turned upon the question of Sunday legislation and its relation to the liquor traffic.

If it is true that the Reform Party now in power in New York City won on election day on the issue of Sunday legislation, it is quite likely the next election will be won or lost on the same issue. As in the past the national election has been determined by the Empire State, so in the next election we may find the question of Sunday legislation determining who shall be the next President of the United States. Thus it will be seen the Sunday question is one that demands our most thoughtful consideration.

Opinions differ so widely among thoughtful and conscientious men as to what shall be done in meeting the issues now forcing to the front, that there is no longer any doubt as to the need of a study of the whole question of Sunday legislation, such as never has been made by the American people. .

Is it not possible for us to return to our homes determined to do our utmost to check the tendency towards a Continental Sunday? Is it

practicable for the clergy of this convention immediately on their return to their work to call together their brother clergymen of all denominations and plan for careful, sane, energetic work upon this problem? Surely there are in every community strong, influential and consecrated laymen who can be drafted into service and who will lend willing hands to the work.

One of the first things we must do is to give to men something to take the place of those things that degrade and ruin their manhood. Leading everything else in its destructive power is the saloon. What does it furnish the man who goes in and out of its doors? A brilliantly lighted room, warm in winter and, as a rule, cool in summer, with abundant toilet conveniences, a free lunch, and every guarantee of good comradeship. This is offered to men six days out of seven in every community here represented, and who shall say how long it will be before the men, who have it in their power to dictate, by virtue of their vote, will include the seventh day? What is the Church doing in the way of a counter attraction? Nothing, absolutely nothing. Through the Y. M. C. A. we are doing good work, but we have not yet touched the man who frequents the saloon. If we are in earnest about this, we can command the means and the men with which to operate club rooms that shall be attractive as the best saloon. We can do but little with men until we win their confidence, and we cannot hope to do that until we show by our works that we are sincere. These club rooms should be centrally located, convenient, and open as long as any bar-room in the community, and to insure the proper running of them a competent man should be put into each one as manager. These managers should be men, and not weaklings, such as have generally been found in the coffee and reading rooms that have in the past come into existence, flourished, and ceased to be. While what is served should be good, there need be no elaborate menu, but the system of operating the rooms must be above reproach. It should be possible to provide tea, coffee, milk and bouillon at five cents a glass, the price to include something from the lunch table. These drinks served hot in winter, and hot and cold in summer, would win thousands of men from the saloon habit. The social atmosphere which permeates a bar-room should here be felt, and the work should be started with the idea of its never being stopped. Convenient and abundant toilet facilities should be provided. Here would be the natural place for a thorough-going, business-like employment bureau.

Having in some such way shown our interest in men and put ourselves in the way of being believed in, we would have a right to urge upon them the demands of the church, and our chances of interesting them would be far greater than they could otherwise possibly be. A better observance of the Sabbath will be brought about if the church people themselves will do their duty. This is one of the reforms that must

work from the top down. If we keep the Sabbath in a sane, wholesome way, we are going to do much to bring about that state of things for which we pray.

What think you would be the effect upon the communities in which we live, were Christian men and women to adopt some such Sunday rules as the following?

1. Go to church at least once a day.
2. Stop reading the sensational Sunday newspaper, and use your influence against its circulation.
3. Give to servants as much of the day as possible.
4. Discourage, and take no part in games and sports.
5. Give of your time and means, to furnish legitimate entertainment for the masses.
6. Use some portion of the day in which to do service for others. less fortunate than yourselves.
7. Give nothing in the way of dinner parties, receptions, etc., and take no part in public or private entertainments.
8. Do not patronize stores for anything other than medicines.
9. Identify yourselves with some church, when away in summer.
10. Work against all classes of Sunday excursions.

Here is a code of morals, which if adopted by church members alone, would greatly help to solve the Sunday observance problem. Their adoption would mean the deprivation of some physical comforts, but on the other hand it would tend to the creation of a Sabbath atmosphere sadly needed in most communities.

Having studied this subject with results more or less unsatisfactory to ourselves, but with deep conviction that it is worthy the earnest attention of the church, your committee begs to submit the following conclusions:

1st Question. What do you consider to be the right and wise stand for the church to take in the matter of Sunday observance?

The church should be courageous in preaching her own right to the day as a day of worship, beyond this she should be careful not to antagonize those she would save. With a recognition that times and conditions are rapidly changing, she should with great patience, still teach the sacred observance of the day, and the necessity of divine worship for making men strong and the nation great.

The church may well teach that every Christian should restrict his own conduct with respect to his influence upon others.

It is the privilege and duty of the Church to remind men that every Christian church is an organization within the State, and entitled to the same protection that is given other organizations.

The record of the church as an inspirer to noble manhood and good citizenship entitles it to freedom from all hindrances in the prosecution of its work. Sunday being the day granted by law to the church for its

special work, nothing should be allowed to make that day other than conducive to the best results in character building.

She should emphasize the necessity of making the day different from other days. She should preach, teach, and practice the kind of Sunday observance practiced by Christ, who went about doing good, enjoyed His friends, nature and all beautiful things, and thought the day none too holy in which to do service for others.

2d Question. Are the present laws satisfactory?

Not entirely, for the reason that many of them were framed to meet conditions that no longer exist.

3d Question. Should any of the present laws be modified?

Some of them should be, for reasons stated above.

4th Question. Is it desirable to permit the playing of golf, and similar recreations on private and public grounds on Sunday?

The church should do everything in its power to prevent the making of the day a holiday. The legalizing of golf and similar recreations would strongly tend to secularize the day, in that it would make it impossible to prevent the playing of baseball, football, and other games on the Lord's day.

5th Question. Should the opening of museums, reading rooms, and libraries, and like places on Sunday be encouraged?

The opening of such places should be encouraged, and an effort made to meet all legitimate demand. Anything that tends to educate may well receive the earnest support of all thoughtful men.

Objection is made by many on the grounds that such opening involves the labor of attendants, and should therefore not be allowed. So does the opening of our churches and Sunday schools. We employ ministers, singers, and janitors, and some are advocating paid superintendents and teachers in our Sunday schools. The object is the same in both cases, and we believe the results would alike be beneficent. If the aim is to educate and elevate, why is not the employment of the necessary custodians fully justified?

6th Question. Should the opening of school buildings for social purposes, and the yards for playgrounds on Sunday be encouraged?

In the congested parts of large cities this might well be done. It is our belief that this class of public property is not earning for the community and State the returns we have a right to demand. When it is considered that with the exception of their being used for night schools, the school buildings of the State are not occupied but six months of the year (we deduct vacations and two days each week), we feel warranted in the conclusion reached. The schoolhouses could be opened for lectures and good music, the lectures to take the form of

illustrated talks with the aid of the stereopticon and scientific apparatus. As regards the music, most schoolhouses have one or more pianos, with the aid of which Sunday afternoon or evening "sings" could be conducted (if nothing more ambitious were attempted), with results not to be questioned.

7th Question. Should we encourage Sunday concerts in public parks and squares, supported by private subscriptions or town or city appropriations?

We do not believe in encouraging anything that tends to bring together out of doors, a great crowd of people, except for public worship. We are convinced that the typical Sunday concert is that only in name. We are disposed to the belief that public music on Sunday can be made inspiring, helpful, and educative if care be exercised. Unless this is done, the Sunday concert is of little value to any community. We believe the church should co-operate with the general public to the end that where these concerts are allowed, the character of the music shall be good. We do not mean religious music exclusively, but that which elevates and educates, while it pleases.

8th Question. Pending the modifications of the present laws, should their enforcement be insisted upon?

The surest way for the public to rid itself of a bad law is to enforce it. Laws are simply the expression of the judgments of men; no man is infallible, and we are bound to have some laws that are neither wise nor just. When the people are made to feel the results of unwise and unjust laws, the remedy is close at hand; they will repeal them. This suggests the only way to deal with this phase of the Sunday problem. The continued disregard of many of the laws on our statute books by all classes of men has a tendency to destroy the respect for law. The enforcement of the laws are frequently winked at by town and city officials who are on the church rolls. This is a recognized fact, and is costing the church influence and vital force.

9th Question. Would a general observance of the Saturday half-holiday help in any way to solve the Sunday problem and increase church attendance?

The adoption of the Saturday half-holiday is well worth a thorough trial. We believe it would prove a great help in solving the problem of Sunday observance. With a half-holiday for recreation and a general good time we believe men would come up to the Sabbath in better physical condition for devoting themselves to a proper use of the day. It would remove in most cases all grounds for excuse from church attendance on the plea of being physically unable, too tired, etc. It is claimed by many that such a holiday would offer the opportunity for general lawlessness and drunkenness. We do not believe this claim can be substantiated. As a matter of fact, the class of men

most needing the holiday, mechanics and all manual laborers, and among whom would be found those who would be the most inclined to abuse the privilege, have not as yet been given the holiday to any extent. Judgment should therefore be withheld.

"A world without a Sabbath would be like a man without a smile, like a summer without flowers, and like a homestead without a garden. It is the joyous day of the whole week", said Beecher, and he voiced the convictions, we believe, of a large majority of thoughtful people.

The evidence is all about us of the value the Sunday rest day has been to this nation. In the light of what it has done for us, we cannot afford to take a backward track. With the pressure being brought to bear to make the day a holiday, we should hold it as a goodly heritage that is worthy our best endeavor to preserve.

The responsibility resting upon us to set the standard is brought home with great force, when we look at the report of the Committee on Immigration for the first four months of this year. 178,000 immigrants arrived at the port of New York alone. These people have come here to become part and parcel of us.

They bring with them habits and customs that tend to do away with our American Sunday. It rests with us more than with them, to determine whether their influence is to be cast on the side of the Sunday that makes for righteousness. There is no point of view that does not reveal to us the high use of this day, the useful ideals of which have been crystallized not only in the life of all America's past, but in the very enactments of her present laws.

Let that ideal Sunday as woven into American life remain.

We have held two meetings during the year, besides doing individual work in the interests of Sunday observance.

It is our belief that the church should not, except in emergencies, have anything to do with legislation.

We have therefore done nothing, in our official capacity, as regards the Sunday legislation of the past six months, confining ourselves to such individual efforts as seemed wise and desirable.

We regret not having received a larger number of returns from our series of questions, for an understanding as to the feelings of the clergymen on this subject is important if the investigation is to be continued (as we believe it should be), to include all classes of laymen. The recommendations respectfully submitted by us are, we believe, in the interests of earnest and wise consideration of a problem vitally affecting the church.

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REPORT OF THE CONGREGATIONAL BOARD OF PASTORAL SUPPLY

REV. CHARLES B. RICE, SECRETARY.

The Congregational Board of Pastoral Supply herewith respectfully presents to the General Association of Massachusetts its eighth annual report.

The removal of Dr. Doremus Scudder to an important post in the Pacific Islands has taken from us a member of the Board who was greatly interested in its work and prosperity. The place has been filled by the election to membership of Rev. Calvin M. Clark. Eight meetings of the Board have been held during the year. Questions relating to the policy and administration of the office have received careful consideration.

Miss Mudge, the Secretary's assistant, has been under disability from ill health for a considerable time. She was in the office with the first day of its opening. She had full knowledge of all the details of its working. She was in a marked degree faithful, careful and thorough in the duties of her position. The Board appreciates her service and trusts that her health may soon be restored.

Early in the year the Directors passed an act restraining the Secretary from preaching for more than three-fourths of the time — that is, for more than three-fourths of the Sundays of the year. This act the Secretary feared flatly to disobey, and was not able to any very great extent to evade. He has preached on forty-two Sundays instead of forty-eight, as on the two preceding years. This restriction has indeed secured some measure of relief to the churches, but with a corresponding loss to the treasury of the Board.

During the year ending at the first of May we have furnished aid in matters connected with pastoral settlement to 167 churches. Of these there were in Massachusetts, 73; in Maine, 16; in New Hampshire, 25; in Vermont, 14; in Connecticut, 2; in New York, 16; in North Carolina, 1; in South Carolina, 1; in Florida, 2; in Illinois, 1; in Michigan, 1; in Missouri, 1; in North Dakota, 1; in Oklahoma, 3; in New Mexico, 1; in Idaho, 1; in Arizona, 1; in Colorado, 2; in Washington, 1; in Alaska, 1; in Canada, 2; and in New Brunswick, 1. We have also had official communication from one Methodist church, presumably with leanings toward independency, which we do not count. The number is larger by

one only than last year, which was the largest number to that time. We reckon here nothing except that which has been done in direct response to requests from persons officially representing the churches. The number would be largely increased if we were to include, as we do not, inquiries from members, or friends of members of churches, having no official authority. Business in the line of occasional or temporary supplies is not included. It is not meant that pastoral settlements answering to this number of churches have been directly brought about through the work of our office; but that official consultations relative to filling the pastorate have been had to the extent stated.

The number of actual settlements in which we have had a direct and important share has been 64. This is five more than in any preceding year. In very many other cases our share in the work of settlement, while indirect, is believed to have been of essential value.

The occupants of the office have never lacked employment. The correspondence carried on is large. The consultations held are on many days almost continuous; and there is never any day or any hour when there is not pressing work to be done.

Of the whole number of churches thus conferring with us there were 21 having a membership of over 300; 57 having a membership of from 100 to 300; and 89 with a membership of less than 100. Seventeen of these churches pay a salary of more than $2,000; 53 a salary of between $1,000 and $2,000; and 97 a salary of less than $1,000. The disproportionate number of the smaller churches has not arisen because the larger churches do not confer with us in fair proportion when vacancies actually occur with them, but it is due to the fact that the vacancies themselves appear less frequently with the larger, and more frequently with the smaller churches, as might be expected.

On the first of May the number of churches in Massachusetts without pastors or regular supplies, was 32; this includes two churches that are not likely to look at all for pastors, and one double field, making the actual pastoral vacancies 29. The list is shorter than ever before, and is less by more than 45 per cent. than it was eight years ago. Other causes have certainly been in operation, but we believe that the work of our office has had much to do with this result.

Opportunities for preaching have been furnished directly from our office to 168 men; and of these men 92 were candidates for settlement. The whole number of occasional supplies furnished was 289. This does not include the preaching of candidates, nor of men who have supplied for a limited but considerable period of time in one place, nor the preaching of the Secretary. As thus defined the average number of weekly supplies has been a little more than five and one-half. During the months from November to April, inclusive, it was only about three and one-fourth.

The number of occasional supplies called for from the office has for several years been diminishing. The reason is found in the diminishing number of churches not supplied with pastors. The result with respect to the churches themselves is gratifying; but it lessens the resources of ministers who depend in whatever measure upon the finding of such employment. The diminution referred to does not appear at all during the summer months, when the calls for supplies are mainly to take the place of pastors absent on their vacations, — these calls re maining fully as numerous as ever.

The account of Mr. Charles E. Swett, Treasurer of the Board. is as follows: —

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1901–1902.

EXPENSES.

Postage	$70 85
Travelling expenses	77 93
Telephone and telegraph	20 50
Books and stationery	31 91
Advertising	46 20
Printing	13 47
Rebinding Year Books (15 vols.)	10 50
Sundries	8 60
Assistants' salary (11 months)	412 50
Additional office help	50 10
Rent and care of room	301 02
Secretary's salary	2,000 00
Balance due April 30, 1901	416 32
	$3,459 90

RECEIPTS.

Preaching by Secretary	$450 00
Office fees	457 97
Special gifts from churches	15 78
Received from Treasurer of General Association	2,536 15
	$3,459 90

For the first time the Board has no debt. Three years and one-half ago the indebtedness was $3,420.19. The balance of $416.32, which was due one year ago, has disappeared. The treasury of the General Association will hereafter be relieved to this extent, — not to speak of the larger sums that had been paid in previous years for the extinguishing of the debt. Setting aside this expenditure, which will not need to be repeated, the amount received from the treasury of the Association during the last year was $2,119.83. We recommend that provision for

about this sum be made for the ensuing year. We hope that increasing receipts from office fees may lessen somewhat the amount that will be needed. We are grateful to the churches for their considerate kindness in removing this burden of debt which has so long rested on us.

We have in our office constant knowledge of the straitened financial conditions in which very many of our brethren in the ministry are placed. This is a most painful feature of our work. We do most earnestly whatever we can in relief; but the difficulties of the general situation are too great.

Of the twenty-nine pastoral vacancies in Massachusetts on the first of May, there are five in which the salary is likely to be $3,000 or more; eight, or perhaps but six, where it may fall between $1,000 and $2,000; four between $800 and $2,000; and twelve where it will be $800 or less. In the three States at the north where our business is large, there were, taking them altogether, not more than six or seven churches without pastors and paying a salary of $1,000 or more. One can judge of the numbers of men ready to fill and able to fill these places. The anxieties and difficulties involved can also, perhaps, be imagined.

We have made some computations as to the range of salaries in our Massachusetts churches. It is not possible to be exact. Reductions in salary have not always been reported to the "Year Book". Large contributions by pastors themselves have not been deducted. Parsonage rentals have sometimes been included where they should not have been with cash payments. We have corrected the figures wherever we could, but the amounts must still in many cases be too high. We have estimated and added the value of parsonage rentals, using a sliding scale of values, rough, but not far aside from the facts. We have reckoned none but English-speaking churches, and have counted double fields as one. Thus reduced we have 534 pastoral fields. Making up the total of all salaries and dividing by this number, the quotient is $1,529, which might be called the average salary. But this term is very misleading. If four men have salaries of $700, $800, $900 and $2,600, the average salary will be $1,250, while three of the four men get less than $1,000 each. This so-called average Massachusetts salary of $1,529 is not probably the salary of the average man, if there is such a man. This term "average" appears indeed to be unbecoming and noxious as applied to ministers. It has long been wholly eschewed in our office. No church wishes for an average man. The men whom we recommend are all in some way peculiar men. They are in certain directions marked, with dispositions or endowments, capacities, accomplishments, habits or humors distinctively their own, and shedding individual interest on them. They are not average men. The average man is worse than the man fifty years old. But the average salary, as just figured, is little more than a bare mathematical result, without enlightening significance.

There are 48 Massachusetts pastors having a salary of $3,000 or more; 83 have between $2,000 and $3,000; 107 between $1,200 and $2,000; 154 between $900 and $1,200; and 142 have less than $900. It appears thus that 298 men, or much more than one-half of the whole, have salaries of less than $1,200, which sum itself is more than $300 below the above-figured average. A little less than one-fourth have over $2,000. Almost exactly one-fifth have from $1,200 to $2,000. Twenty-nine per cent.— well toward one-third — have from $900 to $1,200.— a large proportion within so short a range; and considerably more than one-fourth have less than $900, house rent being in all cases included. The stress of life falls on these last men.

Our office uses diligently every proper means in the effort to check reduction and to encourage increase in these salaries. There is reason to believe that these efforts have often had some effect. Yet it is always to be borne in mind that, even at the present rate of expenditure, the strain upon the *giving members* of these smaller churches is often great. Many of these churches and these ministers deserve admiration as much as they deserve sympathy and aid.

The parish system brings discomforts to many pastors and shortens their term of service. With many of the smaller churches, perhaps especially, the life of the church almost and the soul of the minister are cast into the hands of worldly men, who think more of the comfortable raising of money than of any spiritual good to be wrought.

In many cases a better mode of pastoral settlement would greatly lighten the wear of ministerial life and prolong happily the terms of service. It is not well that the minister should be hired barely for such a time and for so much money,— an arrangement full of many anxieties and sinkings of heart. It does not seem best either that he should be hired with liberty to close the engagement upon a brief notice only, with no accompanying and dignifying public forms. The ancient method of settlement by council is shunned largely for the fear that such a relation may be hard to bring to an end, since the ministers may decline to join in the call for a mutual council; and it may not be reasonable that an engagement should bind the church and not the pastor. The method originally suggested by Dr. Quint, providing a guarantee that upon due notice by either party a mutual council should be called, to which the question of the continuance of the pastoral relation should be referred, seems to offer a fair solution of the whole difficulty. The pastorate would then begin and end with publicity, dignity and responsibility, and the tie on both church and pastor would be elastic but not brittle. The subject is commended to your consideration. If our brethren cannot all be paid appropriately, their official lives should at least be fittingly appointed, cherished and sustained.

We wish to renew the statements of former years to the effect that

our office is essentially public in all its obligations and responsibilities. The work of the Secretary is regulated and recorded in every practicable detail, to the intent that it may be open to authorized inspection and control in every particular. It may be added that the Secretary does not regard this obligation and control resting on him as in any wise a grievance, but far contrary, it is to him a main ground of safety and a chief source of comfort.

Criticism from any Congregational quarter is welcomed and carefully regarded. If anything does not seem to be done in fairness and justice, we earnestly wish that the matter might be brought to our attention, that the error, if it has occurred, may, if possible, be quickly corrected.

We are grateful to the churches and brethren for the patience which they have exercised towards us, and for the confidence shown by their entrusting to us the very large measure of work which comes continually to our hands. We hope that the quality of the service rendered by our office may improve as its extent enlarges. And we pray that it may not miss its aims, and that it may be guided and approved of God.

SOME LEAVES FROM THE HISTORY OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL ASSOCIATION

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In his introduction to Mediæval Church History, Dean Trench says, "The Church Militant, if in all ages a success, is also in all ages a failure. Some may dwell almost exclusively on one of these aspects. We shall do well not to hide our eyes from either." It is but of a small division of the Church Universal, and for only a brief period of its life, that I am proposing to speak. One hundred years is but a moment in the Lord's sight, though what occurs in that stretch is full of meaning to His kingdom. That is long enough to discover signs both of the triumph and defeat of His church, though, on the whole, proofs of its growth and progress are abundant. Some of these, which, however they appear to the Infinite mind, seem to us to be of supreme import, are to be noted in the time allotted to this review.

It is perhaps fitting that a successor in office of Rev. Roger Williams, pastor of the First Church in Salem — that very uncomfortable advocate of "soul liberty" — should be called to tell the story of an organization formed for the very purpose he most distrusted, and which movement, through his influence, was arrested for nearly two hundred years.

"The ministers of the Bay and Sagus," writes Governor Winthrop, "did meet once a fortnight at one of their houses by course, where some question of moment was debated. Mr. Skelton . . . and Mr. Williams . . . took some exception against it, as fearing it might grow in time to a presbytery or superintendency, to the prejudice of the Church's liberties."

But "wisdom is justified of her children." It is my pleasant duty to bear witness to the excellent workings of a scheme whose full operation was not revealed to his keen vision. I am called to repeat a five-fold tale, yet I am persuaded it is hardly a household one. Of its particulars, it still seems proper that

> "Our lips shall tell them to our sons
> And they again to theirs."

In 1818 a historical account of the Association — its rise and doings — was prepared by the Secretary, Rev. Enoch Hale. This was read and ordered to be inscribed in the "Minutes." It is cause for regret that this, with the Records of the first fourteen years of the Association's life, was lost in a fire which destroyed the house of the Secretary. In 1838 a historical sketch of the body was published in the *American Quarterly Register* (Vol. II.), by the then Secretary, Rev. Thomas Snell, D.D. In 1851 Rev. Emerson Davis, D.D., printed in the "Minutes" of that year, a similar account. In 1859 Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, D.D., made a careful study of its history, which appeared in the first volume of the *Congregational Quarterly*. In 1876 Rev. I. N. Tarbox, D.D., read a scholarly and comprehensive paper upon the same subject, which may be found in the Report of that year — its seventy-fifth meeting. The mention of these names is sufficient guarantee to the fidelity and ability with which this work was done. A later and unskilled annalist can do little more than rehearse the facts they so carefully and exhaustively collected and so felicitously stated.

Gatherings of ministers to discuss religious and ecclesiastical matters were in existence, as we have seen, in the Bay Colony so early as 1635. After a time these appear to have been discontinued, for some twenty-five years, when in 1662 there were proposals for a form of *Consociation* — a standing council of the neighboring churches and pastors to hear and judge in ecclesiastical controversies. This met with little favor and was rejected by the churches, which thought themselves fully equal to self-government.

In 1690 an Association held its first meeting at Cambridge, whose outcome in 1705 was a definite proposal to organize both Associations and Consociations through the Colony. The discussion over the prefixes "ad" and "con," with the radical difference in church life and administration turning upon the adoption of either, almost paralleled that in

the early church over the "Homöousion" and "Homœousion," as defining the relation of the Son to the Father. The Association advocates, however, prevailed in the most of New England, though in Connecticut, a modified Consociation was instituted which still exists. Cotton Mather says, in the *Magnalia* (1725), "The country is full of Associations formed by the pastors in their several vicinities, for the prosecution of evangelical purposes," and he describes the general character of their meetings. The Boston Association seems to have been the first of these which gradually multiplied, in their county lines, so that there were a considerable number in Massachusetts at the beginning of the last century. The sense of isolation, the lack of opportunities for conference, the need of mutual inspiration and encouragement, was much felt by the ministers in the remoter and more sparsely-settled parts of the State. The movement toward a closer union naturally originated with them.

In 1802 the Brookfield Association invited the others (twenty-four in number, several with a very small membership) to confer as to the expediency of forming a General Association. We have no copy of the text of that invitation, but in 1809 we find this maxim published "that mankind were formed for society, and that the social bond contributes immeasurably to the comfort of individuals and the welfare of the world," in accordance with which principle, the following statement from the Constitution outlines the object of the new organization: "To promote brotherly intercourse and harmony and our mutual animation and assistance and usefulness as ministers of Christ, to obtain religious information relative to the state of our particular churches and the general state of the Christian Church in this country and through the Christian world, and to co-operate with other similar institutions in the most eligible measures for building up the cause of truth and holiness."

Only eight of the Associations responded to this call, but these determined that it was best to organize such "General Association," and appointed the first regular meeting at Northampton, in June, 1803, to which each district body was requested to send two delegates. The basis of Union recommended was the Assembly's Shorter Catechism. Their purpose was declared to be "to cherish, strengthen, and transmit the pure principles of Congregationalism." They entirely disavowed "ecclesiastical power over the churches or the opinions of individuals." At this meeting only five of the associations and those from the rural sections were represented. It is almost pathetic that these yearnings of lonely, fervent, needy spirits should have had such feeble and grudging answer by their brethren in other and more favored regions.

At the next annual session, only five appeared through their delegates, while the following year only three. In 1806 and 1807, six. A larger

number responded in 1808; more in 1809, at which Rules were adopted, which, in the main, have been the working order of the body to the present day. The organization of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions at the meeting in Bradford, in 1810, gave an impetus and prominence which gradually drew into alliance and support the reluctant Associations. Those holding orthodox views, one after another connected themselves with it. The last to come in was the "Mendon," which held aloof till 1841. The strong personality of Dr. Emmons was the restraining cause. He saw in the whole tendency a frightful bogey, which he anathematized in this striking rhetorical "descensus," "Associationism leads to Consociationism; Consociationism leads to Presbyterianism; Presbyterianism leads to Episcopacy: Episcopacy leads to Roman Catholicism, and Roman Catholicism is an ultimate fact." The "ultimate fact" was such a horror to the ordinary minister of less courage that he dare not enter into the path leading straight thereto, till the hand of the Master was lifted from his shoulder; that was not till death relaxed its hold and the liberty of which he himself was so jealous was granted these, his associates. But now, for sixty years, each District Association in the State has had membership in the larger body called "The General Association of Massachusetts Proper," till Maine became a separate Commonwealth, when the latter limiting word was dropped.

Some of the reasons alleged for their slow endorsement of this Union were, the fear lest the clergy assume power over the churches; lest there be a lowering in the doctrinal tone through compromise; while some who inclined to Unitarian views were loth to accept the Assembly's Catechism as a ground of faith and effort. Some thought it altogether unnecessary, since the General Convention of Congregational Ministers would amply serve the interests of the churches in that direction.

Dr. Quint has well stated the real situation: "Advantages and disadvantages were lost in one fact, viz., that the Association, with the Catechism as its basis, served as a bond to the defenders of that faith; while its opposition was found in that section which soon openly avowed itself Unitarian. Both parties evidently saw, distinctly, that a movement basing itself on the Old Calvanistic theology would speedily separate friends and foes, as the event proved. It was on this account that the organization was reprobated by the seaboard clergy and upheld by the Associations located in those rugged localities, which are never favorable to a loose and effeminate theology."

So Evangelical Congregationalism then lifted its eyes unto the hills, whence came its help; and Andover was then in the "hill country."

It is not easy to picture those earlier assemblies. The photographer with his camera, for instant impression, was not. Tradition has it that

the ministerial office was a sort of magisterial one as well, and that the incumbent bore himself in a lordly manner. If the shaven face gradually was fringed with beard, and the wig gave place to nature's covering, and the gown and bands to the high-collared coat and lofty stock, and the knee-breeches and stockings and shoe-buckles to the trousers and boots of the present, the change was so slow that the priestly garb hardly lost its distinctive character. Greetings were formal and conversation was measured while the profound consciousness of being "the parson," never escaped the wearer of that title. The gathering of the "Reverends" and "Doctors" anywhere, was occasion of universal interest and the hospitality of the community where they met was unstinted. It was a great event for any church or town to entertain the General Association as its members came by the Parochial chaise or the imposing stage-coach to the appointed place. There was much dignity in all the proceedings, which seem to have been more devotional than deliberative. The main feature was the Associational sermon, usually assigned to one of the most prominent ministers in his locality. It was expected to be and was received as his supreme effort. It was, commonly, a lengthy and elaborate disquisition on some doctrinal theme — frequently a controversial one — with introduction, definition, proposition, argument — much divided and fortified by scriptural quotations in full measure — improvement and conclusion. The accompanying prayer, too, was no less a stately, expansive, informing theological and unliturgical exercise in which the gift of utterance had full play, to the edification of critical listeners. The discussions and proposals in the business sessions never were allowed to degenerate into the loose and familiar manner of later times. All was so regulated as to further the impression of a season of intellectual and spiritual refreshing, from which the participants returned to their labors quickened in soul and intensified in holy purpose.

This has been a peripatetic body, determined to ignore no part of its territory. It has camped in the great city and the country village — generally alternating between East and West. It has been five times entertained at the "Heart of the Commonwealth," our most representive Congregational City; four times each at Springfield, New Bedford, Westfield and Pittsfield. Once before in 1839, in this historic place, whither it would have been supposed the loyal sons of the Pilgrims would have oftener come to do homage at the shrines of their ancestors. But we are not — after the Chinese fashion — worshippers at tombs. Rather do we turn where the calls of the present are loudest, and where living problems confront us. These may be great in the country where a foreign population supplants the native New Englander and degenerates into as gross heathenism as prevails in the metropolis. In the former, the decay of religious life is more noticeable, and the deserted

meeting-house a more depressing object than in the busy streets of the town.

Dr. Tarbox affirms that our most profitable and enthusiastic meetings have been in the smaller places, where there was less to divert the attention of the delegates. Their conscientiousness in this respect may be illustrated by a vote passed at the session in Salem in 1856, "That every member of the Association may have leave of absence at ten o'clock this morning, *for half an hour*, to visit the museum in this City." Doubtless they were aware of the subtle witchery of the locality and set a double guard over the unwary, but the excellent habit of those times were well revived by those who are responsible for the action of the churches in this their representative capacity. They came up to the feast to tarry till its close, and not after the present fashion, when distinguished ministers — birds of passage — remain long enough to deliver an address and then haste on to more important duties elsewhere. A mere glimpse at prodigies may be pleasing, but they of the humbler sort should have the chance to perfect acquaintance with their more gifted brethren. The true, loyal denominationalist longs to lift his special standard and bring up the whole order to his own higher level, and will devote both time and strength and heart to it.

The Association has been fortunate in its servants — the men with the inkhorn and the bag. It has had seven Scribes or Secretaries: Rev. Enoch Hall, 1804-1824; Rev. Thos. Snell, D.D., 1824-1850; Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., 1850-1858; Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, D. D., 1858-1881; Rev. Marshall M. Cutter, 1881-1888; Rev. Henry A. Hazen, D. D., 1888-1901; Rev. Eugene C. Webster, 1901 ——.

In the office of *Registrar*, created in 1868: Rev. James P. Kimball, 1868-1881; Rev. Albert G. Bale, 1881-1897; Rev. Francis J. Marsh, 1897 ——.

In the office of Treasurer, as distinct from Secretary: George E. Clark, 1872-1881; William L. Greene, 1881-1884; Nathan Mosman, 1884-1887; Edward I. Thomas, 1887-1891; William A. Paine, 1891-1899; Henry P. Emerson, 1899 ——.

These offices have become more burdensome with the growth of the Association and the increased work it attempts. The collection of the Statistics of the Churches would more properly merit their disparaging classification with "black lies and white lies," if we consider their earlier form. In 1812 a committee was appointed to devise and report a mode to preserve the facts contained in the returns of the State of the Churches. In 1816 one member of each Association was instructed to collect and forward the returns in his district to the Secretary, and for this a blank schedule was prepared. In 1819 these were first attempted under the same general divisions as at present. In 1826, the first abstract

of the Reports was published in the Minutes — which showed one hundred and twenty-nine churches with a membership of 14,046. There was no mention of benevolences. For years, however, these Reports were most incomplete and fragmentary. They were little more than the blade which matured into a starveling ear, and not till 1856 did the full corn of information, under the culture of that master of tables and figures, Dr. Quint, appear. Gradually a better approximation to the facts concerning all our churches is made, but it still remains and perhaps will remain true, that only the least valuable results of the faithful preaching of the Word of Christ can be tabulated. We have gained enough to excite a rivalry — possibly a healthy one — between the several churches as to which is the "greatest," and certainly have taken care to inform our left hand what our right is doing. The little Benjamin among the denominational tribes, plainly enough, has the cup in his sack, and has no terrors in finding it there. His "divining" with it, is in putting it at the service of the thirsty throughout the world. Else, what mean his large donations as compared with those of his sturdier brethren?

His expenditures for himself in the beginning were becomingly modest. In the first published accounting of his steward for the year 1829, there was the report of $104 raised, with an unexpended balance in the treasury of $56.78. The years of growth have witnessed to his larger necessities, till in our last Annual Report we learn he has paid $6,414.64, while his income has been $1,701.93 short of the amount asked for his legitimate clothing, housing and feeding. Certain parts of this body have withheld their due proportion and have defied any officials to collect it. It would be improper to specify them or call attention to their superior prudence or inferior ability, or unbrotherly bearing. For the good judgment of the rest, in this particular, these have only contempt. For their request, these have only refusal. Hence the unseemly exhibition of the Congregational Churches of Massachusetts owing faithful servants, and the children of this world, a debt, which common righteousness demands shall be immediately cancelled. Some others, too, might well ponder the ancient precept, "say not unto thy neighbor go, and come again and to-morrow I will give, when thou hast it by thee." That surplus in the Treasury in 1829, speaketh far better things than the deficiency of 1901!

In no other company of believers has the Christly command to call no man your master on the earth been more readily complied with. The attempt to impose a system of doctrine, or levy a tax, or force a policy has always been met with stout resistance. While holding that the individual church is the unit, in which the majority rule is sacred, they have signally refused to abide by it, *when the whole body of churches is concerned.* Independency has been their boast, and none have been

able to bring their necks under any edict which, in their united capacity, they have themselves issued. They have tolerated advice, received recommendations, voted what is expedient, and then every one done as seemed good in their own sight. That, with such liberty, so great a degree of unity has been maintained, is a marvel, and argues strongly for their heavenly genesis. They have survived, in spite of themselves, for that God had some high mission for them in the earth.

The Association was — be it remembered — for more than half its life, only representative of the churches, through their pastors. It was far more than some would admit, a hierarchical organization. The clergy — vigorous protestants against Romish methods — were yet a law unto themselves and their rule had not a little of the autocratic about it. The more democratic spirits grew jealous of this authority — so presuming — and repeatedly tried to introduce a lay element into the membership. But we find, in 1845, and again, in 1853,— at the instance of the Essex North Association — the first definite proposals to that end. These revolutionary suggestions were conveniently smothered in committee, till reviving after eight years of uneasy sleep, it was voted to "recommend that no further agitation of the matter be had." But the irrepressible was at work, and, after seven years, in the Union with the "General Conference" — an organization of both ministers and laymen formed in 1860 — the new rule of membership was adopted, whereby "each Association might appoint annually two delegates and each District Conference of Churches three delegates, who shall be laymen, who, with the Secretary, Registrar, Treasurer and Pastor of the Church, with which the Annual Session is held, shall constitute the General Association."

This surrender on the part of the ministry — as a special and infallible order in such administration as is possible among associated churches — was a proper acceptance of our Congregational theory of the perfect equality of Christian believers. The distrusted layman at last won his right to sit with the ordained elders in consultation concerning the interests of the Church of God, though the *Ecclesiastical* Declaration of Independence followed the Political, after more than half a century had elapsed. It may be that the happy and effective conduct of the National Council in 1865, whose Declaration of Faith as a Doctrinal Basis was, in 1867, substituted for the Assembly's Catechism, had much influence in this liberation of the clerical mind and heart.

Through its whole history the Association, unfettered by tradition, unhampered by rubrics, unsworn to human interpretations of the Infinite will and way, slowly and even toilsomely advanced in knowledge of eternal methods and revelation as these concerned the practical life of the person, the community, the nation. The Spirit of all wisdom originated movements which in due time permeated the whole body. The

common conviction of a Divine summons led to the establishment of societies and agencies which have blessed not simply the State, but the World. Its first and most illustrious creation was the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, which, upon being incorporated, passed beyond its supervision; but that memorable ride of Drs. Worcester and Spring, in the former's chaise from Salem to Bradford, was in company of the Unseen One, on whose errand they went, and whose gospel of salvation they were thus inspired to herald to the uttermost parts of the earth. In this evolutionary process, the *separated* has far exceeded in size and weight the original body, and its orbit is vastly wider, as it sweeps grandly and blessed along its holy path among the nations. The Domestic Missionary Society, having for its aim the aiding of feeble churches within our borders, was another of its early and timely children whose adoption by the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, ten years later, was both proper and profitable. The Monthly Concert of Prayer was of its initiation, whose fruits, both at home and abroad, have richly adorned the Tree of Life. The Society for the Promotion of Temperance had a wide and urgent field, and many a heroic champion from its ranks, while as yet zeal in this cause, was pronounced "fanaticism." Christian education, as Mt. Holyoke Seminary offered it to women, received its cordial endorsement. At almost every session after 1832, some measures were adopted, if possible, to abate the shame and crime of African slavery. The Association never was a silent witness of this "sum of all villainies," but longed and prayed for the day of its overthrow. When the nation was in a death grapple with that malign power, this body was alert and, as with a single soul, pledged, through its membership, to those in authority, if need be — as did their fathers "their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor." Overtures were repeatedly made to other branches of the Christian Church, in the hope of closer union of effort in behalf of the unevangelized. In 1868, the attention of the churches was turned to those who, disabled after years of faithful service in the ministry, were in actual poverty or need. This duty of providing for our own household, less spectacular, but more Christlike than bestowing on those they had not seen, was eloquently enforced by Dr. John Pike, and the "Board of Ministerial Aid" was formed, with an appeal to the churches for its generous support. For a long time they had thus been practically "denying the faith," unaware that "the infidels" had them at a disadvantage.

One of the most distinctive and natural acts of these associated churches was the inauguration of the "Board of Pastoral Supply," now in the ninth year of its operation. Preceded by much debate and watched carefully lest it usurp the office of a judge and a divider over God's heritage, it has proved a most helpful and discreet servitor of

both churches and ministers. Indeed, some wonder why this remedy for the sad strangerhood of those who ought to have been joined together in the Lord's work was not earlier discovered. It is both "presbuteros" and "episcopos," without the officiousness of either, and in its delicate and responsible trust has installed the one man whom the Lord plainly raised up for to set the solitary parties, not skilled in the arts of ecclesiastical wooing, in families.

No small part of the time at the annual meetings of late years has been devoted to the best means of reaching and bringing all classes of people, within and without our parishes, under the influence of the Gospel. The problems have been carefully studied and stated by those qualified to speak and what *is*, and what *may* and *should* be, in our widely differing communities, have been forcefully presented. Many a stirring and heart-searching address has been given on this subject, the echoes of which, though faint, have been heard throughout our borders. These have wrought perceptible results in more definite and careful labors by not a few pastors. Certain stock subjects have regularly come before the meetings; African Colonization — formerly evoking as visionary and enthusiastic schemes as (latterly) the condition and possibilities of the Freedman; Sabbath desecration — as pressing an evil, when quiet non-church-goers disturbed the preachers, as now when the wholesale excursioning grieves them; Intemperance — when liquors were pure and indulgence general, as before the use of "the forty rod" distillation; Bible instruction — as sadly neglected when there was but the "*one* book" in the household, as now when it is buried beneath the mass of transient publications; Papacy — as dangerous and pestilent a foe then, as now, when our own philanthropists subscribe for the erection of churches under the control of "the man on the Tiber"; the Public School — liable then to become a fountain whence flow baneful waters of unbelief, just as now many bewail its godlessness; Immorality — whose prevalence then alarmed as now, when the shocking violations of the laws of purity are so manifest; Benevolence — when men pinched a quarter quite as hard as now they do the dollar, and experienced an equal pang in parting with it; Dull Sermonizing — as intolerable an infliction then, though outwardly sanctified, as now, when the layman is less long-suffering under the discipline; Councils — then, as now, a puzzle, while our denominational unfolding has been slow and unable to explain to the earnest inquirer its own secret method of progress. What Congregationalism is, remains almost as great a mystery as when Robert Browne found himself espousing it, or John Robinson (according to Dr. Dexter) was expecting "more light" concerning it, "to break forth from the Word," or the Puritan settlers at old Naumkeag were stumbling upon it as the normal order of a Christian Church. Yet, we have numerous

"manuals" expounding its principles and contending that no other system so well answers the necessities of associated religious life. In the ever-new circumstances and emergencies of our modern civilization, its advocates have been in our hearing eloquently rallying the churches to appreciate its marvelous adaptability and sufficiency, as they remind us that —

> "New occasions teach new duties; Time makes ancient good uncouth;
> They must upward still and onward, who would keep abreast of Truth;
> Lo, before us gleam her camp-fires! we ourselves must Pilgrims be,
> Launch *our* Mayflower, and steer boldly through the desperate winter sea,
> Nor attempt the Future's portal with the Past's blood-rusted key."

What is that but an *Apotheosis* of Congregationalism?

More and more it has been borne in upon our churches that they are not appointed simply for their own conservation, and that no interest of humanity anywhere is foreign to them. Therefore the great variety of questions which have come before these annual gatherings. They have "Resolved," — in season, out of season — on all sorts of subjects, from filial piety to Asiatic cholera; from the use of tobacco to the observance of Good Friday; from Sunday mails to the conflagration of a parsonage in Florida; from prison reform to ministerial hypocrisies. The brethren have seemed to suppose that firing these cartridges — so often blank — would be effective in scaring away the genii of iniquity ever hovering over and preying upon the people. After having solemnly "resolved," they went, with a light conscience, home to their work. But the giddy youth and the deadly microbe, the greedy farmer and the rigid non-conformist, the Post Master-General and the "third primal element," the turn-key and the "wolf in sheep's clothing" went on their way, too, not much disturbed nor changed in purpose or conduct. Now and then a heavy shot sped from the mouth of this ponderous ordnance and struck down the offender, but the beneficent results of such random gunnery have probably been much overrated. Its "moral impression" is mostly realized by the offerer, whose faith is quickened by the adoptive vote of the multitude. The maxim, "the way to do things is to do them," applies with much force to such deliberative bodies as this and might well call a halt to the tendency to general memorializing, ineffective and profitless, save as it gives vent to some one with "a burning fire shut up in his bones, who is weary with forbearing and cannot contain."

The Association, however, has been far from saying and doing not. From an early date a "narrative as to the state of religion among the churches" was annually given. This gradually broadened in its scope, and (in 1868), was entrusted to a committee, with Rev. Daniel P. Noyes, D. D., as secretary. He developed its inquiries and made most voluminous reports, valuable to those who cared to listen to or peruse them. With notable persistency, he wrought at this task till his death twenty years later. Since that, a large committee has — through some one of

its members — annually presented a summary of the several reports, with pertinent inferences, conclusions and recommendations. Of making many of the latter, there seems, as with books, to be "no end" and much study of them is a weariness to the clerical and diaconal flesh, for it may be feared that few of either class carefully "read, ponder and inwardly digest" these copious suggestions. It was also a custom from 1815 till 1866 to have a Pastoral Letter sent in the name of the Association to each church. Consecrated ministers spoke through these, words of affectionate counsel and admonition, which were doubtless humbly and gratefully received. They dwelt much upon the need and efficacy of Revivals; the importance of knowing and contending for our faith and polity; the duty of catechetical instruction; of more careful study of the Scriptures; of practising the Christian virtues at home and in business; of Sunday observance and prayerfulness, of patriotic and benevolent effort. If there was something of the professional about such communications, it was no more than obtained in social life generally, but their words, sensible and sincere, we may believe, are still inciting to holier lives and larger charities as they go on down the years. Through the formal phrases of the schools, the heart — loyal to Christ and His Church — cannot be altogether stifled, while its aspirations and satisfactions will transform even "cant" terms into vital appeal and incite to wholesome meditation. The value of Epistles to the churches did not all lapse with those sent out under the seal of the Apostles.

Could we flash upon the screen the faces of those who have been leaders and participants in the meetings of this body, it would be a most imposing array. To name Woods and Worcester and Edwards and Wisner and Cooke and Codman and Blagden and Beecher and Shepard and Humphrey and Field and Storrs and Blanchard and Todd and Stone and Manning and Dexter and Park and Anderson and Clark and Phelps and Hopkins and Stearns and Quint and Seelye, is to call the roll of masters of Assemblies, of valiant champions of the truth, of eminent scholars, of godly and zealous pastors, of exalted patriots whose record is plainly written in the life of the churches they served and the communities where they dwelt.

And with them we should recognize, in fit companionship during these later years — those eminent citizens bearing financial and official burdens — Washburn and Walker and Aldrich and Bradford and Dennison and Boynton and Plunkett and Dodge and Ropes and Stowe and Hyde and Sawyer and Chapman and Whitin and Marsh and Swan and Russell and Child and Richardson and Hardy and Taylor, and a multitude of equal rank, who have made the name of Christian, a synonym for everything that is true, honorable, just, pure, lovely and of good report.

With such wise and capable counsellors how could it be that theory should not be reduced to practice and vagary put to the test of sense!

These all being dead still speak to us, to lift higher the standard of the Christ, whom they now behold with open eye; to contend earnestly for the faith once, and *still*, being delivered unto the saints; to lose no heart in the battle which raged as fiercely about them as now it does about the most hardly bestead, since they fully believed it was the Father's good pleasure to give them the Kingdom—yes, and to us, their successors.

Far sighted, firmly girded by the Eternal Word and successful in its application to every need of the individual and of the multitudes, we do well to honor them, whose monument we behold in the six hundred and one churches throughout the Commonwealth, wearing our Congregational name, exponents of the Gospel they loved and which they devoutly received from our adorable Lord and Master.

So we unitedly join in the ascription, —

> "For all thy saints who from their labors rest
> Who Thee by faith, before the world confessed,
> Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
>
> "O blest Communion! fellowship divine!
> We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
> Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine."

It is a comfort to every soul, ambitious to make some worthy contribution to the world's progress, that each person and each generation has its unique opportunity, and mission. We cannot think that all the problems which face the people of God, have been presented to any one age or class. If only the leaders in *religious* thought and effort keep pace with their fellows in the *secular* sphere — as these have advanced almost with giant stride — they will have grandly fulfilled their mission.

These whom we honor met their obligation. Ours, with even greater demands, appall us. Many a brave heart falters at the sight, but with united purpose, larger sympathy and a more burning zeal, we shall be equal to them and make this new era fuller of triumphs than of failures.

The Ark of God advances!

Let the several tribes of our Israel strike their tents and, in their appointed order, with firm step move on after it, toward the land promised to our fathers for a possession!

The Old Bay State has been in the van hitherto! May she maintain her position, so long as the march lasts, while the Centuries come and go!

THE CONSTRUCTIVE CHURCH: HER DOCTRINAL TEACHING

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The church feels the practical impulse of the time in the demand that her work be constructive. She is to build men up in the faith, to establish them in the divine life and show the structural lines on which they may attain fullest development in conformity to Christ. Theology is responding to this impulse and beginning to make the practical consideration paramount.

This venerable science may be broadly and simply defined as the interpretation which the mind gives to the facts on which spiritual experience rests. It takes us into the realm of man's life as a child of God, and seeks to give a reasonable account of this relationship. It is not a science about God alone, but about God in His relation to man and man in his relation to God. Theology that is worthy of its name springs out of life. The play of the mind upon problems merely intellectual will never yield constructive teaching. Debating clubs may be quickened by it, but not churches. It is because man has met God that he thinks about Him, and thinking about Him he wants to meet Him again and know Him better. The divine touch has aroused him to wonder and contemplation, and the earnest thinker aims to give a report of what he has inwardly felt. The deeper the experience the truer will be the resulting theology.

Since this inner sense of God is the prime condition of effectual religious teaching, its object is manifestly similar. A man feels the touch of God upon his soul, the thrill of divine life within, and tries to tell his friend about it. Herein is the genesis of all true theology. It is the endeavor to beget life by the medium of truth, and the circuit of a vital theology is from life to life through the instrumentality of the discerning and communicating mind. If the teaching of the church shall keep close to the spring of this native impulse it will be saved from many obscurities and futile forms.

Under this conception we may face the conditions which the church is called to meet. It is commonly agreed that the past generation has witnessed a change in the prevailing attitude toward the traditional doctrines. There is less insistence on earlier forms of thought. Doctrinal preaching is not in vogue, the people rarely demanding it and ministers not feeling strongly impelled to it. Venerable positions not infrequently have been assailed. To be mildly heretical is, in the eyes of the public, more nearly a sign of honor than of reproach. The

secular press sympathizes with the man who is on trial for his liberal views and the popular presumption holds that the future is with him. This general situation some deplore, some are indifferent and some hail it as holding signs of promise. Assuredly it is a situation to be reckoned with. We have already passed into this transition period, and the obvious word of counsel seems to be that the attitude of the church toward theology, on which her doctrinal teaching rests, in order to be constructive must be avowedly reconstructive.

This carries with it some definite obligations, indicating the spirit of such reconstruction. Chief among them is the requirement that the church, in order to be understood, must speak the language of the thinking that is fundamental to its own time. This has been true of every constructive period. Clement, of Alexandria, Origen and Athanasius, that distinguished intellectual triumvirate, who successively fathered the Nicene theology, were themselves under bonds to Plato and thought in the modes of the Greek and Alexandrian philosophy. Without this intellectual sympathy they could not have brought the new experience of the Christian faith home to the minds of the deep thinkers of their own day. The ruling philosophy conditioned theology then as it has ever since and as it will. By its defects and limitations the spokesmen of the church have been hampered, indeed, but they have, also, been immeasurably aided by these modes of thought that provided vehicles of expression, natural, inevitable and desirable. Without them the church would have been out of touch with the mind of its age.

A similar necessity rests upon us of to-day. Conceptions that are ruling within men's minds cannot be ignored. The one influence that has most strongly affected the thinking of our day is not difficult to name. The principle of evolution, irrespective of its precise formulation as a theory of biology, has fundamentally affected the point of view of the modern mind and its methods of investigation have become current. It deals with vital forces, seeking to trace the processes of their activity and to understand the laws of their operation. Its central word is organism and it strives to know the functions of life as related to its organic unity. This one signal instance makes emphatic the requirement resting upon the church to translate its meaning into current terms, instead of compelling men to think in formulas that to them seem out-worn. An antiquated doctrine is like a nut that is hard to crack. Its kernel would feed you, if you could get at it. The business of the church is not to make theological nut-crackers, but to feed men with the kernels of truth. I plead for a wide sympathy with the earnest, thoughtful men outside the church for whose sake we are to tell of the things of the spirit. We cannot afford to speak a foreign language nor to use terms with double meanings that mislead. The impression needs to be dispelled that the church is retained for a

defensive theology, by the espousal of a teaching contemporary with the mind of its age, direct and sincere.

Akin to this requirement is the need for a frank avowal of the legitimacy of human reason in connection with matters of faith. When such a man as Mr. Kidd puts religion in the class of what is ultra-rational, there needs to be a counter-affirmation holding the entire reasonableness of Christianity. A thorough-going Protestantism will keep us alive to the fact that the human mind in its power of spiritual apprehension is the divinely accredited and invariable medium of revelation. Indeed, revelation is not so much a deposit of truth made by exceptional method, as it is a process of creating the spiritual organ through which God becomes known to man. The desire for external authority has too often been the parent of dogmatism that would make the impression of theology as a closed science, a body of truth once delivered in final form. In contrast to this, there is need to assure men that all questions of religion, as of every other science, are open questions, not because they are in doubt, but because the foundations are sure and therefore are subject to perpetual testing and re-examination. In fact, it is only through testing by the spirit of man, that the truth in which the universe is established becomes availing to settle and establish him.

Resolute use of the reason will have a clarifying effect by dismissing and sifting out assumptions that have long been associated with religious teaching, though they have lost standing in the schools of thought. The limitations brought over from early thinkers need to be newly examined and avoided, for what is bad philosophy can never be good theology. A *naïve*, yet vicious dualism persists in much religious teaching, which is as baneful concerning fundamental questions as it is natural to the ordinary mode of expression. It does no great harm in ordinary conversation to speak as though God were outside the world and the world were apart from Him, just as no one takes exception when the sun is said to rise and set; yet the natural notion, in either case, becomes exceedingly misleading when applied to fundamentals. The astronomer cannot bear the one nor the theologian the other.

One practical outcome of scrutinizing the traditional assumptions will be a change in the mode of putting certain questions. There is hope that we may escape from the tyranny of the false dilemma so productive of controversy and schism. When the terms, — human and divine, natural and supernatural, reason and revelation, — are set over against each other as mutually exclusive, we are seriously embarrassing our search for truth. There are indeed distinctions here, but they are between members related to each other and not between objects separate and diverse. Assuredly the natural has within it a supernatural element, if we are to admit the contrast, for it is all God's world, while from the divine standpoint the supernatural must be divinely natural,

and it is His standpoint that we are trying to arrive at. The relation between reason and revelation has already been intimated. It is similar to that between the eye and the light, the organ of vision and the condition that makes it possible. The two are not to be disjoined when the nature of sight is in question. Similarly there is a source and an organ of revelation, a purpose and a method by which God makes himself known. Again, between man and God there is a constitutional relationship out of which religion springs and there must be in thought no absolute sundering of this tie. There is no "mere man" who can be accounted for without God. Peculiarly unfortunate is it to ask whether Jesus Christ is human or divine, forcing a false issue, since the harmonious union and evident congruity of these two elements made the consummate glory of His person. Such are the questions that should never be asked, or, being asked, should never be answered, for the answer must be partial, misleading and inadequate. Yet how often has the seamless garment of truth been rent on the horns of a false dilemma!

With the acceptance of life as an ever-expanding gift and of mind as a lens through which the purpose of God is becoming clearer, we shall be willing to see our thought of this marvelous experience change with the changing fact, — yes, enlarge with the enlarging fact. If life is growing richer, as it must while God is God, then our interpretation of it must be commensurate with its advance, and it will not be surprising, but rather to be expected, that certain forms of religious thought fall into disuse. The doctrine that shall spring from life, and match life, will be kept subservient to life. Hence the spirit of this age will re-assure itself by holding that no doctrine is to be maintained for its own sake, simply because it is true. The consideration of co-ordinate importance will raise the question whether the truth so expressed is also fitted to life.

The force of this principle may be felt by reference to such an established doctrine as that of the Trinity. It is an instance where the teaching-value of the doctrine has been largely diminished, while its historic truth remains unimpaired. One reason for this is found in the altered conditions. The early Greek fathers rendered inestimable service to the cause of Christianity by casting the content of the new faith into the molds of what was best in current philosophy. Yet they were subject also to the limitations of this mode of thought, while the necessity that gave impulse to their work and the vehicles of expression which they inevitably used are not the same as those of to-day. The background that gave to the original form of this doctrine its timeliness and power was due to the pictorial metaphysics of Platonic thought, coupled with the temptation to polytheism on the one hand, and a bald deism on the other. This background has been entirely shifted, and the conditions which historically necessitated the early statements have largely passed away. Hence it is impossible that they should impinge on men's minds as they did at first.

In affirming that this doctrine has declined in practical power one

may also confidently appeal both to ministers and church members. It is no easy matter to give or to get a simple and vivifying idea of its meaning. The formulated expression tends to puzzle men more than to illumine them. To say that God is "triple in His unity and one in His triplicity" does not make straightway for a vital thought of God, nor does it readily nourish the soul. It is true that a man of virile mind, keen in the historic sense and also spiritual in his appreciations of truth, can vivify this doctrine by interpreting it in its historic setting and then showing its essential truth as applicable to-day. But the mind untrained in subtleties of thought finds it difficult to associate these expounded meanings with the doctrine itself. There is an accommodation of terms that does not strengthen his confidence. Thus the vital forces of this doctrine seem largely to be spent.

This leads directly to the further consideration that the passing of a form of doctrine need not occasion alarm while its truth is going over into other and ampler forms. To set aside an outworn machine is not to discredit the principle of the original invention. The morning papers that we hold in our hands were none of them printed on a Franklin press, yet every one of them came from a machine that embodied the principle of the Franklin press. Again we may call to witness the doctrine of the Trinity. It has been the parent stock of much vital thought and its influence has been potent throughout the Christian centuries. Ideas have sprung from it or been fertilized by it that render it for all history one of the significant factors of religious thinking worthy of lasting veneration. Ideas that were germinant within the early formulation have become familiar and operative in men's minds to-day, and yet they are free from their historic envelope. The eternal Fatherhood of God; the representative nature of Jesus Christ and the divine humanity as disclosed in Him; God spiritually available to man in every time and place: these are truths the church is teaching and realizing with constructive power, and there is no need to regret that they have fallen out from the wrapping that once partially enfolded them. Their history is secure, yet their history is not the same as their vitalizing power. Is it not manifestly true of some thought-forms, as it is of life-forms, that except the grain of wheat fall into the earth and die it abideth alone? Ceasing to use the original form of a doctrine is not the same as discarding its truth.

Never was an age so well equipped for re-constructive work as is the present, when the principle demanding new forms indicates so clearly the method of a genuine conservatism. The man who feels that progress requires us to throw overboard the antiquated doctrines, to denounce or lightly esteem them, has been caught only by the surface movement of his time. Mrs. Browning's words are as true as ever: —

> "If we tried
> To sink the past beneath our feet, be sure
> The future would not stand."

The principle of evolution helps men to see more clearly than ever before how the present rests upon the past and grows out of it. The vital currents are not broken from one age to another. The modern study of history is concerned to trace the continuity of thought, it marks the suggestive stages, discriminates their value, notes their emphasis, and at the same time indicates the inner relations that make the movement an organic whole. The record of Christian thought is a training-school in the method of transition. Forms are continually passing away as the inherent truth passes on into ampler forms. Vital movements are not jealous for names and labels, nor need we be. Constructive forcefulness is the requisition that history lays on every truth to be proclaimed. Has it power? Is it vital to men's needs?

Out of the deepening consciousness of life the need arises for the presentation of truth increasingly in terms of personal relationships. In the spiritual range, the most significant word is personality. This is the unit of value that characterizes what is best in life's attainment. Personality in man has been rising to new heights of consciousness during these Christian centuries. The pronoun of self-hood means intensely more than it did before generations of men had begun to say, "Christ liveth in me." The ability to verify in one's own experience the essential truth of the person of Jesus Christ marks an era in the development of mankind. Men have come to terms of growing intimacy with God, as with deeper fervor and finer naturalness they call Him Father, and thus a new dignity is attaching to life because of what the living God hath wrought and still is working out in the process of continual, spiritual creation. Hence these personal terms, which touch the human organism at most sensitive and vital points, will be the vehicles of truth laden with the sustenance that men crave. To understand Divine Fatherhood, as it affects us, and the consequent relations of human brotherhood, will be the impelling motive of religious thought, corresponding to the two commandments that received the explicit sanction of Jesus as being the great commandments.

We may expect that the substance of this doctrinal teaching will center in three leading themes of co-ordinate importance yet of distinctive value. The church will be mainly concerned to persuade men of the reality of God as the Father of spirits, who has made us, and by the constant communication of His spirit continues to make us what we may become. We are to interpret God in terms of the life manifest, and to interpret life in terms of the divine thought and will. Goethe's lines are to find practical application: —

> "Would'st thou with thy bounded sight,
> Make survey of the Infinite?
> Look right and left and everywhere
> Into the finite — thou'lt find it there."

We shall never know God in the magnitude of His being, yet daily we may know Him in His qualities, and by this inner disclosure of His character our lives may be vitalized.

With this appreciation of God as the fundamental term, the church will point to the person of Jesus Christ as the historic demonstration of true religion, the reality of man and God in spiritual union, the concrete witness of life in its highest form and ultimate relationship. He who has been the most potent, constructive force in human history, will so abide, and men will want to know Him more and understand Him better because life as it was in Him, verified and reproduced in them, shall prove to be the life that satisfies.

Especially will the church have regard to the laws under which the spiritual nature of man operates. The fundamental necessity is to grow in consciousness of God and of one's self as a child of God. All practical religion centres here. The laws of this inner life are subtle yet definite. They must be known in order that the growing soul may be trained and exercised under them. While many of them were stated by Jesus they have not yet been wrought out in the mind of His followers in a systematic way. The present generation should find in this opportunity a congenial task. Time was when astronomy that took man's thoughts away from his own littleness and made him aware of the boundless universe was deemed the divine science. To-day the divine science is psychology, that inducts man into the yet unbounded mysteries of his own capacity, and enables him in a new degree to know himself. Knowing himself as a spiritual being, dependent upon the infinite and universal life, he will appreciate that human life is intricate with God, and therefore at every point is sacramental, and feeling this he will study to know the nature of this life that he may realize his manhood.

From such considerations the conviction is at hand that the teaching of the constructive church will not consist of a series of propositions or a system of doctrine addressed mainly to the intellect, but rather a body of truths presented as certificates of spiritual reality, which men may verify for themselves. The form of it will be that of testimony and witness bearing, while its method will be not dogmatic but communicative and literally confidential. Its purpose will not be so much to convince by argument as to strengthen, illumine and build up in the faith. Denominational shibboleths and sectarian labels will not be eagerly attached to it, but it will be uttered in the simplicity of truth and with the winsomeness of love. May we, upon whom the light hath shined, have grace to reflect it; unto whom the truth hath come, have skill to communicate that truth; to whom life hath been given, have power to share that life.

STATISTICAL TABLES

EXPLANATORY.

The tables which follow comprise: —

1. The statistics of the churches, giving the ministers, church membership, additions, removals, baptisms, Sunday schools and families; the statistics of the Young People's Societies; the amounts of benevolences and expenses. These tables, in accordance with the vote of the Association, in 1887, are made to conform to those in the YEAR-BOOK.

2. The Conferences of the Churches, with the names of officers and the times of meeting.

3. The Association of Ministers, giving the date of ordination of each minister, the date of membership, the residence and his "employment." The abbreviations, "P." and "P. C." are explained below. "W. C." means without church; "Prof." means professor; "C. M." church missionary; "Tea." teacher; other abbreviations are self-evident. "W. C.," however, includes many who have retired from active service, and some who are in business.

4. The Ministerial Record, containing lists of ordinations, installations, dismissals, marriages and deaths.

The tables of the first part contain the names of all the Congregational churches in Massachusetts, the towns and cities being arranged alphabetically; churches in each town according to age.

Church members and families are reported as numbered on the morning of Jan. 1, 1902. Admissions, removals and baptisms cover the year 1901. "Absent" are not additional to "males," "females," and "total," but included in them. "Sunday school" includes total membership of officers, teachers and scholars, Jan. 1, 1902, or when the school is in operation (if not at that date), covering "branch schools," "mission schools" and "home departments," so far as maintained by the reporting church. "Av." means the average attendance during 1901.

The months and days in the dates of the organization of churches are omitted. They will be found in the publication of 1873, those of churches since organized being given in the "Minutes" of each year. Also the months and days in the dates of ordination and installation of ministers are omitted. The former may be found in the lists of the local Associations, which follow the tables.

"Ordained" denotes the date on which the person was originally set apart to the ministry by the "laying-on of hands." "Installed" denotes the date of the beginning of his *present* pastorate.

In accordance with the recommendation of the National Council, pastors installed or recognized by council are marked "*p. c.*"; pastors duly called by their churches and recognized by some "definite act of the church," but not by council, are marked "*p.*"; others in service are not marked, but in tabular summaries are counted as "supplies."

Blanks in any column of figures are never equivalent to "none," but mean "no report"; but blanks in the column of *ministers* do mean that the church has no pastor or acting pastor, and the blank is left for the convenience of those who note changes.

☞ All *post-office addresses* are to be found in the "List of Ministers," and NOT IN THE TABLES.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Dt.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Abington,	1712	Dea. Isaac C. Howland,	De Mont Goodyear, *p. c.*	'00	'00	47	122	169	36	20	4	24	5	4	2	11	7	0
" **North,**	1839	Dea. Joseph E. Parsons,	George Benedict, *p.*	'83	'97	26	60	86	20	6	2	8	4	0	0	4	3	0
Acton,	1832	Horace F. Tuttle,	Bernard Copping, *p. c.*	'79	'94	25	53	78	15	4	0	4	4	0	0	4	3	0
" **South,**	1893	H. E. Clough,																
Adams,	1840	Dea. E. W. Streeter,	Alford B. Penniman, *p. c.*	'83	'94	146	283	429	10	5	2	7	3	8	0	11	2	4
Agawam, Feeding Hills,	1762	Miss Julia A. Bailey,	Frank L. Garfield, *p. c.*	'93	'92	12	34	46	11	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0
"	1819	Mrs. C. L. Hayward,	Walter Rice, *p. c.*	'65	'92	80	97	177	58	3	1	4	4	2	0	6	3	1
Amesbury, Main st.,	1831	Joseph T. Batchelder,	James D. Dingwell, *p. c.*	'95	'00	133	248	381	56	12	9	21	5	6	0	11	10	0
" **Union,**	1835	Dea. C. G. Long,				18	77	95	24	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
Amherst, 1st,	1739	Jonathan A. Rawson,	William E. Strong, *p. c.*	'85	'01	122	305	427	86	7	17	24	11	7	0	18	0	0
" 2d,	1782	Herbert Sabin,				43	104	147	38	2	2	4	4	1	0	5	0	0
" **College,**	1826	William I. Fletcher,	Henry P. Smith, *p.*	'75	'98	206	58	264	183	3	2	5	3	6	0	9	0	0
" **North,**	1826	Miss M. E. Harlington,	Eber W. Gaylord, *p. c.*	'73	'90	68	146	214	38	3	5	8	6	7	0	13	0	1
" **South,**	1858	Miss Minnie L. Dana,	John F. Gleason, *p.*	'73	'95	62	98	160	26	8	0	8	3	3	0	6	6	5
Andover, South,	1711	Myron E. Gutterson,	Frank R. Shipman, *p. c.*	'93	'93	108	252	360	86	11	13	24	4	6	2	2	2	10
" **West,**	1826	Arthur T. Boutwell,	George A. Andrews, *p. c.*	'99	'99	72	133	205	33	2	1	3	4	1	14	19	2	0
" **Free,**	1846	George A. Christie,	Frederick A. Wilson, *p. c.*	'82	'89	101	259	360	88	7	5	12	4	5	0	9	2	10
" **Ballardvale,**	1854	William Shaw,	Edwin Smith, *p.*	'65	'99	35	81	116	30	7	0	7	2	0	0	2	2	0
" **Seminary,**	1865	Prof. Egbert C. Smyth,	The Professors,			77	94	171	73	0	1	1	3	10	0	13	0	1
Arlington,	1842	Elbert L. Churchill,	Samuel C. Bushnell, *p. c.*	'79	'90	79	183	262	34	6	8	14	4	4	1	9	2	15
" **Heights,**	1899	Edward W. Nicholl,	John G. Taylor, *p. c.*	'73	'00	25	49	74	4	6	4	10		0	0	1	6	1
Ashburnham, 1st,	1760	Fred D. Lane,	Nathan T. Dyer, *p.*	'78	'97	31	67	98	24	2	3	5	4	5	0	9	2	0
" North,	1843						0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ashby,	1776	Horace S. Brooks,	Herbert W. Boyd, *p. c.*	'86	'97	64	107	71	50	0	6	6	7	3	0	10	0	1
Ashfield,	1763	John M. Sears,	Horace F. Hallett, *p.*	'91	'99	60	122	182	18	12	4	16	3	0	0	3	9	2
Ashland,	1835	Charles T. Dearborn,	Frederick M. Cutler, *p.*	'98	'01	23	75	98	27	0	5	5	3	0		4	0	4
Athol,	1830	Cyrus K. Wood,	Rolla G. Bugbee, *p.*	'76	'97	81	221	302	27	3	2	5			0	6	2	4
Attleboro, 2d,	1748	Dea. A. Vinton Cobb,	J. Lee Mitchell, *p.*	'87	'01	128	357	485	78	5	13	18	4	5	6	5	2	2
Auburn,	1776	William F. Stone,	Charles M. Pierce, *p.*	'63	'90	46	78	124	35	2	4	6	4	0	0	4	2	0
Ayer,	1861	Dr. Bertr'd H. Hopkins,	Wayland Spaulding, *p.*	'84	'02	25	59	84	28	0	6	6	0	2	0	2	0	0
Barnstable, West,	1616	Mrs. Martha O. Smith,	Edgar B. French, *p.*	'97	'97	18	40	58	14	2	0	2	2	0	0	2		0
" **Centerville,**	1840	Miss Nellie B. Kelley,	Bartlett H. Weston, *p.*	'90	'98	10	43	53	11		4	5	0	1	0			2
" **Hyannis,**	1854	Elizabeth R. Lewis,				10	35	45	8		2	3	0	1	0			0
" **Cotuit,**	1900	S. F. Haskins,	Charles A. Breck, *p.*	'94	'97	11	31	42	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	0
Barre,	1827	C. S. Root, Barre Plains,				48	111	159	38	1	4	5	5	5	0	10	1	4
Becket, Center,	1758	Mrs. L. O. Ellsworth, *a*	Thomas W. Davison, *p.*	'99	'01	13	23	36	2	7	2	9	2	1	0	3	7	0
" North,	1849	Dea. Jarvis Norcutt,	Thomas W. Davison, *p.*	'99	'01	32	64	96	27	5	1	6	2	0	0	2	5	0
Bedford,	1730	Leon B. Smith,	Frank B. McAllister, *p.*	'99	'99	43	84	127	46	3	1	4	5	6	15	26	0	0

a **Bancroft.** **Auburndale,** *see* Newton. **Acushnet,** *see* New Bedford. **Allston,** *see* Boston. **Baldwinville,** *see* Templeton. **Assonet,** *see* Freetown. **Ballardvale,** *see* Andover. **Atlantic,** *see* Quincy. **Beechmont,** *see* Revere. **Attleboro Falls,** *see* N. Attleboro. **Beechwood,** *see* Cohasset.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.							
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Old
Abington,	William S. O'Brien,	244	105	180	77	$46	$5	$3	$18	$6	$ 0	$4	1
" North,	William C. Brett,	129	80	125	31	30	20	15	20	25	10	5	
Acton,	Charles E. Smith,	80	51	90	33	62	5	7	12	10	13	5	
" South,					46								
Adams,	Dea. W. B. Green,	590	390	375	100	393	0	0	104	0	45	0	1
Agawam,	Rev. Frank L. Garfield,	50	22	53	16	71	12	10	12	15	10	0	
"	W. H. Porter,	100	48	75	75	77	130	13	27	15	35	0	
Amesbury, M. St.,	Joseph E. Trombla,	220	142	250	46	242	10	10	17	148	15	5	1
" Union,	Dea. E. A. Goodwin,	120	69	120	15	26	0	0	20	23	5	0	
Amherst, 1st,	Fred D. Kellogg,	190	145	250	73	640	22	30	294	70	37	8	
" 2d,	C. H. Hooker,	131	62	100	33	64	0	6	40	15	10	0	
" College,		m59	27	23	0	787	15	0	348	46	0	0	
" North,	Howard A. Parsons,	146	108	113	65	221	21	13	138	50	20	3	
" South,	George O. Hannum,	m166	95	92	67	182	7	6	176	29	7	6	
Andover, South,	Charles H. Gilbert,	479	229	300	95	826	103	111	770	412	27	0	2
" West,	Frederick T. Boutwell,	75	44	75	40	80	15	0	40	45	0	0	
" Free,	J. Newton Cole,	275	166	220	63	104	83	43	196	103	5	5	
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw,	128	92	70	102	135	50	88	88	66	10	0	1
" Seminary,	Matthew S. McCurdy,	58	0	66	0	633	9,080	3	409	141	39	50	2
Arlington,	Myron Taylor,	300	205	250	55	121	39	39	333	84	39	19	2
" Heights,	Minot A. Bridgham,	158	90	80	89	5	0	10	25	10	0	0	
Ashburnh'm, 1st,	Fred D. Lane,	102	76	100	63	5	0	5	5	12	0	0	
" North,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ashby,	James W. Brooks,	123	77	90	65	65	121	14	103	33	30	0	1
Ashfield,	F. H. Smith, Buckland,	150	86	125	52	66	0	7	28	70	0	0	
Ashland,	C. S. Bragdon,	110	62	102	50	14	10	10	10	26	14	0	
Athol,	Waldo E. Fay,	228	116	200	86	68	0	24	140	10	0	0	1
Attleboro, 2d,	Ernest D. Gilmore,	437	250	400	66	635	48	44	619	197	34	0	1
Auburn,	Rev. Charles M. Pierce,	120	69	91	40	70	0	20	42	0	19	0	
Ayer,	A. C. Cummings,	68	48		40	27	0	9	9	19	0	0	
Barnstable, W.,	W. F. Jenkins,	70	31	100	41	15	4	4	26	5	9	0	
" Centerville,	Miss Nellie B. Kelley,	80	57	60	50	40	2	4	25	56	6	0	34
" Hyannis,	Mrs. George T. Taylor,	130	63	64	38	40	6	8	18	7	10	0	0
" Cotuit,	Rev. Charles A. Breck,	85	55	90	0	6	0	0	1	0	3	14	27
Barre,	Charles G. Allen,	118	60	110	45	205	0	7	63	50	8	0	55
Becket, Center,	Francis Alderman, Becket,	40	35	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	George L. Johnson,	70	50	42	0	23	0	0	23	8	4	0	2
Bedford,	Wallace G. Webber,	166	86	100	60	80	5	10	91	23	5	0	50

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The date at the head of pages from 113-144 inclusive, should be 1902 in place of 1901.

													0	851
												167	0	740
												89	0	869
												51	0	1,330
												388	0	1,800
												0	0	915
												60	0	600
												264	0	4,550

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.				BAPT.	
City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	Dc.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Abington,	1712	Dea. Isaac C. Howland,	De Mont Goodyear, *p. c.*	'00	'00	47	122	169	36	20	4	24	5	4	2	11	7	0
" North,	1839	Dea. Joseph E. Parsons,	George Benedict, *p.*	'83	'97	26	60	86	20	6	2	8	4	0	0	4	3	0
Acton,	1832	Horace F. Tuttle,	Bernard Copping, *p. c.*	'79	'94	25	53	78	15	4	0	4	4	0	0	4	3	0
" South,	1893	H. E. Clough,																
Adams,	1840	Dea. E. W. Streeter,	Alford B. Penniman, *p. c.*	'83	'94	146	283	429	10	5	2	7	3	8	0	11	2	4
Agawam, Feeding Hills,	1762	Miss Julia A. Bailey,	Frank L. Garfield, *p. c.*	'93	'92	12	34	46	11	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0
"	1819	Mrs. C. L. Hayward,	Walter Rice, *p. c.*	'65	'92	80	97	177	58	3	1	4	4	2	0	6	3	1
Amesbury, Main st.,	1831	Joseph T. Batchelder,	James D. Dingwell, *p. c.*	'95	'00	133	248	381	56	12	9	21	5	6	0	11	10	0
" Union,	1835	Dea. C. G. Long,				18	77	95	24	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
Amherst, 1st,	1739	Jonathan A. Rawson,	William E. Strong, *p. c.*	'85	'01	122	305	427	86	7	17	24	11	7	0	18	0	0
" 2d,	1782	Herbert Sabin,				43	104	147	38	2	2	4	4	1	0	5	0	0
" College,	1826	William I. Fletcher,	Henry P. Smith, *p.*	'75	'98	206	58	264	183	3	2	5	3	6	0	9	0	0
" North,	1826	Miss M. E. Harrington,	Eber W. Gaylord, *p. c.*	'73	'90	68	146	214	38	3	5	8	6	7	0	13	0	1
" South,	1858	Miss Minnie L. Dana,	John F. Gleason, *p.*	'73	'95	62	98	160	26	8	0	8	3	3	0	6	6	5
Andover, South,	1711	Myron E. Gutterson,	Frank R. Shipman, *p. c.*	'93	'93	108	252	360	86	11	13	24	4	6	2	12	2	10
" West,	1826	Arthur T. Boutwell,	George A. Andrews, *p. c.*	'99	'99	72	133	205	33	2	1	3	4	1	14	19	2	0
" Free,	1846	George A. Christie,	Frederick A. Wilson, *p. c.*	'82	'89	101	259	360	88	7	5	12	4	5	0	9	2	10
" Ballardvale,	1854	William Shaw,	Edwin Smith, *p.*	'65	'99	35	81	116	30	7	0	7	2	0	0	2	2	0
" Seminary,	1865	Prof. Egbert C. Smyth,	The Professors,			77	94	17	73	0	1	1	3	10	0	13	0	1
Arlington,	1842	Elbert L. Churchill,	Samuel C. Bushnell, *p. c.*	'79	'90	79	183	262	34	6	8	14	4	4	1	9	2	15
" Heights,	1899	Edward W. Nicholl,	John G. Taylor, *p. c.*	'73	'00	25	49	74	4	6	4	10	1	0	0		6	1
Ashburnham, 1st,	1760	Fred D. Lane,	Nathan T. Dyer, *p.*	'78	'97	31	67	98	24	2	3	5	4	5	0	9	2	0
" North,	1843						0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ashby,	1776	Horace S. Brooks,	Herbert W. Boyd, *p. c.*	'86	'97	64	107	171	50	0	6	6	7	3	0	0	0	1
Ashfield,	1763	John M. Sears,	Horace F. Hallett, *p.*	'91	'99	60	122	182	18	12	4	16	3	0	0	3	9	2
Ashland,	1835	Charles T. Dearborn,	Frederick M. Cutler, *p.*	'98	'01	23	75	98	27	0	5	5	3	0	1		0	0
Athol,	1830	Cyrus K. Wood,	Rolla G. Bugbee, *p.*	'76	'97	81	221	302	27	3	2	5	9	7	0	6	2	4
Attleboro, 2d,	1748	Dea. A. Vinton Cobb,	J. Lee Mitchell, *p.*	'87	'01	128	357	485	78	5	13	18	4	5	6	15	2	2
Auburn,	1776	William F. Stone,	Charles M. Pierce, *p.*	'63	'90	46	78	124	35	2	4	6	4	0	0	4	2	0
Ayer,	1861	Dr. Bertr'd H. Hopkins,	Wayland Spaulding, *p.*	'84	'02	25	59	84	28	0	6	6	0	2	0	2	0	0
Barnstable, West,	1616	Mrs. Martha O. Smith,	Edgar B. French, *p.*	'97	'97	8	40	58	14	2	0	2	2	0	0	2		0
" Centerville,	1840	Miss Nellie B. Kelley,	Bartlett H. Weston, *p.*	'90	'98	10	43	53			4	5	0	1	0			2
" Hyannis,	1854	Elizabeth R. Lewis,				10	35	45	8		2	3	0	1	0			0
" Cotuit,	1900	S. F. Haskins,	Charles A. Breck, *p.*	'94	'97		31	42	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	0
Barre,	1827	C. S. Root, Barre Plains,				48		159	38	1	4	5	5	5	0	10		4
Becket, Center,	1758	Mrs. L. O. Ellsworth, *a*	Thomas W. Davison, *p.*	'99	'01	13	23	36	2	7	2	9	2	1	0	3	7	0
" North,	1849	Dea. Jarvis Norcutt,	Thomas W. Davison, *p.*	'99	'01	32	64	96	27	5	1	6	2	0	0	2	5	0
Bedford,	1730	Leon B. Smith,	Frank B. McAllister, *p.*	'99	'99	43	84	127	46	3	1	4	5	6	15	26	0	0

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Acushnet, *see* New Bedford. Allston, *see* Boston. Asonet, *see* Freetown. Atlantic, *see* Quincy. Attleboro Falls, *see* N. Attleboro.
Auburndale, *see* Newton. Baldwinville, *see* Templeton. Ballardvale, *see* Andover. Beachmont, *see* Revere. Beechwood, *see* Cohasset.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND BENEVOLENCE.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Abington,	William S. O'Brien,	244	105	180	77	$46	$5	$3	$18	$6	$ 01	$4	$22	$104	$ 0	$2,015
" North,	William C. Brett,	129	80	125	31	30	20	15	20	25	10	5	0	125	0	1,265
Acton,	Charles E. Smith,	80	51	90	33	62	5	7	12	10	13	5	3	117	0	1,150
" South,					46											
Adams,	Dea. W. B. Green,	590	390	375	100	393	0	0	104	0	45	0	340	882	0	5,933
Agawam,	Rev. Frank L. Garfield,	50	22	53	16	71	12	10	12	15	10	0	0	130	0	850
"	W. H. Porter,	100	48	75	75	77	130	13	27	15	35	0	54	351	0	1,362
Amesbury, M.St.,	Joseph E. Trombla,	230	142	250	46	242	10	10	17	148	15	5	189	636	0	3,995
" Union,	Dea. E. A. Goodwin,	120	69	120	15	26	0	0	20	23	5	0	28	102	0	1,400
Amherst, 1st,	Fred D. Kellogg,	190	145	250	73	640	22	30	294	70	37	8	23	1,124	0	3,576
" 2d,	C. H. Hooker,	131	62	100	33	64	0	6	40	15	10	0	24	159	0	1,000
" College,		m59	27	23	0	787	15	0	348	46	0	0	64	1,260	0	0
" North,	Howard A. Parsons,	146	108	113	65	221	21	13	138	50	20	3	35	501	0	1,375
" South,	George O. Hannum,	m166	95	92	67	182	7	6	176	29	7	6	70	483	0	1,200
Andover, South,	Charles H. Gilbert,	479	229	300	95	826	103	111	770	412	27	0	570	2,819	0	3,100
" West,	Frederick T. Boutwell,	75	44	75	40	80	15	0	40	45	0	0	0	180	0	1,600
" Free,	J. Newton Cole,	275	166	220	63	104	83	43	196	103	5	5	96	635	0	2,553
" Ballardvale,	William Shaw,	128	92	70	102	135	50	88	88	66	10	0	132	569	0	2,441
" Seminary,	Matthew S. McCurdy,	58	0	66	0	633	9,080	3	409	141	39	59	513	10,877	100	451
Arlington,	Myron Taylor,	300	205	250	55	121	39	39	333	84	39	19	376	1,050	0	4,500
" Heights,	Minot A. Bridgham,	158	90	80	89	5	0	10	25	10	0	0	50	100	0	1,400
Ashburnh'm, 1st,	Fred D. Lane,	102	76	100	63	5	0	5	5	12	0	0	64	91	0	1,300
" North,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ashby,	James W. Brooks,	123	77	90	65	65	121	14	103	33	30	0	100	466	0	1,394
Ashfield,	F. H. Smith, Buckland,	150	86	125	52	66	0	7	28	70	0	0	44	215	0	1,075
Ashland,	C. S. Bragdon,	110	62	102	50	14	10	10	10	26	14	0	36	120	0	1,050
Athol,	Waldo E. Fay,	228	116	200	86	68	0	24	140	10	0	0	146	388	0	2,290
Attleboro, 2d,	Ernest D. Gilmore,	437	250	400	66	635	48	44	619	197	34	0	156	1,733	0	6,540
Auburn,	Rev. Charles M. Pierce,	120	69	91	40	70	0	20	42	0	19	0	12	163	0	1,160
Ayer,	A. C. Cummings,	68	48		40	27	0	9	9	19	0	0	5	69	0	1,100
Barnstable, W.,	W. F. Jenkins,	70	31	100	41	15	4	4	26	5	9	0	12	75	0	651
" Centerville,	Miss Nellie B. Kelley,	80	57	60	50	40	2	4	25	56	6	0	34	167	0	740
" Hyannis,	Mrs. George T. Taylor,	130	63	64	38	40	6	8	18	7	10	0	0	89	0	869
" Cotuit,	Rev. Charles A. Breck,	85	55	90	0	6	0	0	1	0	3	14	27	51	0	1,330
Barre,	Charles G. Allen,	118	60	110	45	205	0	7	63	50	8	0	55	388	0	1,800
Becket, Center,	Francis Alderman, Becket,	40	35	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	915
" North,	George L. Johnson,	70	50	42	0	23	0	0	23	8	4	0	2	60	0	600
Bedford,	Wallace G. Webber,	166	86	100	60	80	5	10	91	23	5	0	50	264	0	4,550

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Belchertown,	1737	Mrs. S. E. Chapman,	James B. Adkins, *p.*	'88	'00	56	131	187	42	14	3	17	5	3	8	16	9	2
Belmont, **Waverley,**	1865	Walter R. Lamkin,	George P. Gilman, *p.*	'72	'83	30	58	88	18	4	12	16	1	3	0	4	3	4
" Plymouth,	1899	Miss Bertha Macurdy,	Elbridge C. Whiting, *p.*	'91	'99	17	28	45	4	4	7	11	1	0	0	1	1	3
Berkley,	1737	Dea. Rollin H. Babbitt,	William R. Joyslin, *p.*	'64	'00	23	49	72	14	3	4	7	1	0	0	1	1	0
Berlin,	1779	I. E. Coulson, **S. B.,**	Arthur P. Pratt, *p.*	'01	'98	28	54	82	17	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0
Bernardston,	1824	Rev. Edward Day,	Edward Day, *p.*	'86	'00	21	33	54	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
Beverly, 2d,	1715	Charles S. Brown,	Edmund M. Wylie, *p. c.*	'01	'00	24	50	74	12	2	8	10	2	0	0	2	2	3
" Dane st.,	1802	Louis H. Baker,	Edwin H. Byington, *p. c.*	'87	'00	136	327	463	33	16	9	25	6	0	0	6	9	2
" Washington st.,	1837	Samuel Cole,	Edward F. Sanderson, *p.c.*	'99	'99	58	163	221	47	8	5	13	6	3	17	26	3	4
Billerica,	1829	Dea. D. H. Spiller,				29	59	88	15	0	4	4	2	0	0	2	0	0
Blackstone,	1841	Joseph Hoyle,	Wallace H. Sterns, *p.*	'97	'01	17	30	47	15	3	2	5	1	2	0	3	2	1
" Millville, *Scand.,*	1891	Arthur Westberg,	Adolph F. Hogberg, *p.*	'99	'00	9	8	17	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	10
Blandford, 1st,	1735	Charles B. Hayden,	Sumner G. Wood, *p. c.*	'80	'01	22	62	84	19	1	3	4	0	2	0	2	1	0
" **North,**	1893	Mrs. Emiline C. Pease,	Sumner G. Wood, *p.*	'80	'01	6	29	35	4	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
Boston, **Charlestown,**	1632	Dea. Gardner Bates,	Peter MacQueen, *p.*	'91	'01	39	108	147	45	2	3	5	0	3	0	3	0	1
" Old South,	1669	J. Converse Gray,	George A. Gordon, *p. c. a* Allen E. Cross, *asst. p. c.*	'77 '92	'84 '01	245	523	768		15	27	42	15	11	0	26	4	3
" 2d, **Dorchester,**	1808	William D. Brigham,	Arthur Little, *p. c.*	'63	'89	254	493	747	95	57	26	83	17	20	3	40	25	13
" Park st.,	1809	William J. Usher,	[John L. Withrow, *Pres.*]	'63	'98	112	254	366		2	12	14	9	15	0	24	0	0
" Union,	1822	W. Ernest Horton,	Samuel L. Loomis, *p. c.*	'80	'96	173	401	574		5	34	39	10	9	4	23	2	3
" Phillips, **South,**	1823	W. B. Bancroft,	Charles A. Dinsmore, *p.c.* Percy H. Epler, *asso. p.*	'85 '98	'96 '98	221	553	774	200	22	16	38	10	6	0	16	3	7
" Berkeley Temple,	1827	Dea. Benj. F. Moore,	William Knight, *p. c.* Wm. S. Kelsey, *asso. p.*	'86 '85	'02 '91	367	597	964	132	17	16	33	3	35	0	38	5	14
" **Brighton,**	1827	George E. Brock,	Adolph A. Berle, *p. c.*	'87	'91	81	175	256		15	22	37	3	11	0	14	9	8
" Village, **Dorchester,**	'29	Dea. Fred'k M. Swan,	Geo. Wolcott Brooks, *p.*	'77	'90	65	150	215	36	5	9	14	2	1	9	12	2	7
" Winth'p, **Charlest'n,**	'33	R. Wolcott Chapman,	William B. Forbush, *p. c.*	'92	'98	66	232	301	124	7	4	11	8	20	0	28	3	0
" **Eliot, Roxbury,**	1834	James S. Barrows,	Winfred C. Rhoades, *p. c.*	'99	'00	83	212	295	58	7	5	12	7	13	60	80	0	9
" Central,	1835	Thomas H. Russell,	Edward L. Clark, *p. c.*	'61	'93	72	172	244		1	3	4	5	3	0	8	0	0
" **W. Roxbury,**	1835	Edward W. Schuerch,	Frank W. Merrick, *p. c.*	'91	'93	55	136	191	31	0	7	7	3	6	1	10	0	2
" **Maverick, East,**	1836	Dea. J. Willard Brown,	Oren D. Fisher, *p.*	'75	'99	123	319	442	240	6	8	14	8	8	0	16	2	20
" Mt. Vernon,	1842	Sanford Keith,	Samuel E. Herrick, *p. c.*	'63	'71	131	243	374		6	14	20	9	6	0	15	0	0
" Shawmut,	1849	Fred L. Norton,	William T. McElveen, *p. c.*	'90	'99	192	375	567	90	28	60	88	2	13	0	15	9	37
" Central, Jamaica Plain,	1853	George F. Partridge,	Charles L. Morgan, *p. c.*	'76	'94	208	458	666	167	17	15	32	10	16	1	27	4	26
" Immanuel, **Roxb'y,**	1857	Dea. Asa H. Porter,	Charles H. Beale, *p. c.*	'80	'94	114	286	400	54	25	13	38	9	16	11	36	4	4
" Trinity, **Neponset,**	1859	Charles D. Barnes,	Edwin L. Noble, *p.*	'96	'99	35	78	113	29	2	3	5	5	10	0	15	2	3
" Pilgrim, **Dorche'r,**	1867	Albert M. Lyon,	Wm. H. Allbright, *p. c.*	'79	'90	130	329	459	24	16	12	28	3	10	12	25	9	6
" Highland, **Roxb'y,**	1869	Carl J. Youngren,	William R. Campbell, *p. c.*	'81	'81	140	325	465	150	24	6	30	10	3	0	13	0	27
" Walnut av., **Roxb'y,**	'70	Dea. C. H. W. Wood,	Albert H. Plumb, *p. c.*	'58	'72	150	320	470	56	47	14	61	4	7	0	11	21	5
" Olivet,	1876	Miss Susan C. Smith,	Robert F. Gordon, *p.*	'76	'99	23	54	77	25	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0	5

a Harry O. Hannum, pastor of Hope Chapel, '98, '00.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Belchertown,	George B. Jackson,	169	92	100	93	65	7	0	19	27	0	5	30	153	0	1,200
Belmont,	H. E. Carpenter,	133	86	92	37	30	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	71	0	1,650
" Plymouth,	Royal T. Brodrick,	104	52	60		12	0	0	14	2	4	0	0	32	0	1,772
Berkley,	Dea. R. H. Babbitt,	75	40	50	28	20	5	7	56	5	6	0	48	147	0	900
Berlin,	Charles M. Sawyer,	87	50	45	26	8	0	7	6	6	0	0	34	61	0	1,000
Bernardston,	Henry L. Crowell,	75	26	46	20	15	0	0	14	3	0	0	0	32	0	850
Beverly, 2d,	Charles S. Brown,	286	80	60	95	24	0	0	0	17	0	0	42	83	0	1,300
" Dane st.,	Adelbert Safford,	582	375	550	57	632	116	38	655	276	37	34	1,328	3,116	0	4,985
" Wash'ton st.,	Charles O. Frost,	266	140	216	46	164	18	15	220	45	6	5	272	745	0	3,558
Billerica,	John E. Bull,	131	66	58	37	30	5	5	20	21	10	4	4	99	0	1,200
Blackstone,	Fred Fallows,	73	34	75	58	58	17	17	20	21	15	10	45	203	0	825
" Millville, *Sc.*,	Rev. Adolph F. Hogberg,	29	25	40		0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	232
Blandford, 1st,	Miss L. Belle Tiffany,	70	37	60	0	31	0	0	39	15	0	9	14	108	0	1,580
" North,	H. L. Pease,	60	40	50	23	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	25	31	0	300
Boston, Ch'st'n,	A. Perry Martin,	80	50	75	25	157	0	115	15	155	0	0	113	555	0	2,800
" Old South,	Rev. Allen E. Cross,	m451	272			8,306	740	1,043	11,962	558	500	0	8,346	31,455	0	
" 2d, Dorch'r,	Elisha B. Worrell,	957	501	595	167	2,362	729	446	3,513	544	558	24	297	8,473	0	12,018
" Park st.,	E. E. Smallman,	200	152		30	2,049	0	0	1,303	0	0	0	370	3,722	0	
" Union,	Albert S. Baker,	706	392	500	172	1,627	680	164	801	480	49	30	557	4,388	0	8,194
" Phillips, South	Rev. Percy H. Epler,	1,107	476	650	477	396	25	15	244	43	15	0	345	1,083	0	8,125
" Berkeley Tem.	Rev. William S. Kelsey,	532	300	1,000	144	112	10	0	429	50	0	0	601	1,202	0	a13,334
" Brighton,	Frank N. Fitts,	375	270		103	506	0	100	1,321	197	0	0	250	2,374	0	5,122
" Village, Dorc.	William G. Swan,	200	160	146	63	178	0	22	352	29	15	0	98	694	0	2,911
" Winth'p, C'n,	Miss L. E. Hapenny,	310	237	255	127	263	50	25	143	95	0	0	643	1,219	1,000	4,569
" Eliot, Roxb.,	Clarence T. Mooar,	427	234	215	141	1,919	56	61	1,008	98	16	0	0	3,158	0	3,812
" Central,	Hermon W. Aborn,	50	35			3,321	0	247	2,825	284	198	0	369	7,244	0	
" W. Roxbury,	Ralph E. Curtis,	339	227	242	0	725	11	27	222	220	11	12	77	1,305	0	4,850
" Mave'k, East,	Silas K. Main,	296	189	300	59	13	2	9	74	0	16	0	55	169	0	3,726
" Mt. Vernon,	John D. Graham,	180	110		0	2,515	0	463	1,921	149	0	39	409	5,496	80	10,000
" Shawmut,	Frank E. Bundy, M. D.,	776	354		86	1,185	28	162	545	173	30	0	267	2,390	0	11,643
" Central J. P.,	J. Wesley Farmer,	511	334	450	179	969	124	144	1,453	263	144	26	221	3,344	0	6,710
" Imman'l, Rox.	Rev. Charles H. Beale,	508	343	250	120	1,245	90	26	1,142	405	41	0	870	3,819	0	7,500
" Trinity, Nep't,	Harry G. Dixon,	184	91	102	72	39	0	0	17	0	11	0	87	154	0	1,423
" Pilg'm, Dorch.	John W. McMillan,	764	463	473	286	359	24	31	554	51	16	0	1,071	2,106	0	13,697
" Highl'd, Rox.,	Charles L. Ziegler,	525	302	500	65	338	54	10	361	70	0	0	227	1,060	0	7,900
" Walnut av., R.	Rev. Evera W. Snow,	710	506	200	187	1,166	57	61	2,436	139	101	0	305	4,265	200	8,828
" Olivet,	A. M. Clement,	225	90	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115	115	0	1,161

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Boston, Boylston, Ja.Plain,	1879	R. T. Jackson, Jr.,	Ellis Mendell, *p. c.*	'79	'88	76	198	274	84	8	3	11	2	7	0	9	0	7
" *Swed.*,	1881	J. A. Gustafson,	August Eriksen, *p.*	'00	'00	82	212	294		54	11	65	1	6	8	15	4	16
" *Norwegian*,	1885	Severin Rud,	Ludvig J. Pederson, *p.*	'94	'01	27	43	70		4	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	5
" **Allston**,	1886	James H. Ball,	John O. Haarvig, *p. c.*	'83	'95	134	253	387	40	14	11	25	4	12	0	16	3	5
" Harvard, **Dorch'r**,	1888	Henry N. Marr,	William T. Beale, *p.*	'82	'99	36	111	147	20	2	5	7	2	6	0	8	1	10
" Central, **Dorch'r**,	1888	John W. Duthie,	George H. Flint, *p.*	'95	'99	44	86	130	13	16	14	30	1	9	3	13	2	16
" Seamen's,	1888	James E. MacDonald,	Sylvester S. Nickerson, *p. c.*	'76	'88	80	20	100	64	7	2	9	0	2	0	2	4	5
" **Roslindale**,	1890	George H. Elwell,	J. Spencer Voorhees, *p. c.*	'84	'99	87	191	278	39	11	14	25	2	3	1	6	3	15
" St. Mark's,	1895	John Smith,	Samuel A. Brown, *p. c.*	'00	'99	16	38	54	4	13	3	16	2	0	0	2	2	8
" Baker, **East**,	1897	Arthur J. Page,	James C. Young, *p. c.*	'91	'97	23	65	88	23	10	3	13	0	6	0	6	1	26
Boxboro, **West Acton**,	1784	A. W. Wetherbee,	William C. Martyn, *p. c.*	'98	'98	18	35	53	15								0	2
Boxford,	1702	Dea. J. W. Parkhurst,	Emery L. Bradford, *p. c.*	'92	'92	34	88	122		0	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	0
" **West**,	1736	Rev. Chas. L. Hubbard,	Charles L. Hubbard, *p. c.*	'68	'78	24	43	67	8	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Boylston, **Center**,	1743	Mrs. Charles Bray,	Samuel B. Cooper, *p.*	'87	'98	46	82	128	57	0	3	3	1	2	0	3	0	0
Braintree, 1st,	1707	Rev. W. Gallagher, **S.B.**	Frederick W. Burrows, *p.*	'90	'01	49	133	182	35	1	5	6	3	2	0	5	0	2
" **South**,	1829	Dea. Frank A. Reed,	C. F. Hill Crathern, *p.*	'86	'96	20	62	82	18	0	1	1	3	2	0	5	0	3
Bridgewater,	1821	Charles P. Sinnott,				80	171	251	76	9	2	11	3	7	9	19	4	0
" **Scotland**,	1836		J. Elliot Bowman, *p.*	'95	'01	10	23	33		0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Brimfield,	1724	Dea. Edward B. Brown,	William P. Clancy, *p.*	'75	'00	24	45	69	20	0	6	6	0	1	8	9	0	0
Brockton, 1st,	1740	C. D. Brigham,	Alan Hudson, *p. c.*	'92	'96	106	295	401	0	17	7	24	3	0	0	3	10	14
" South, **Campello**,	1837	Rufus P. Keith,	Albert F. Pierce, *p. c.*	'77	'99	156	304	460	30	23	15	38	8	3	0	11	13	0
" Porter,	1850	Dea. Minot W. Niles,	Andrew W. Archibald, *p.c.*	'76	'97	189	460	649	88	19	18	37	8	11	13	32	14	6
" Waldo,	1896	James T. McCaughey,	Robert L. Rae, *p. c.*	'89	'96	34	55	89	0	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	2	1
" Wendell av.,	1897	Miss Mary Kingman,	James Lade, *p.*	'85	'99	33	67	100	6	3	2	5	0	1	0	1	2	0
" Lincoln,	1897	James Chavis,	Sebastian D. Turner, *p.*	'93	'97	27	29	56	2	16	5	21	2	1	0	3	16	1
Brookfield,	1756	Miss M. Ella Gibson,	Edward B. Blanchard, *p. c.*	'92	'95	39	100	139	40	11	3	14	3	2	0	5	7	0
Brookline, Harvard,	1844	Edward Sharp,	{ Reuen Thomas, *p. c.* { Oliver D. Sewall, *asst. p.*	'60 '92	'75 '97	299	496	725		16	22	38	11	8	0	19	0	0
" Leyden,	1896	Dr. Robt. W. Hastings,	Harris G. Hale, *p. c.*	'91	'96	34	89	123		2	7	9	0	1	0	1	1	0
Buckland,	1785	Dea. H. L. Warfield,	Edward A. Robinson, *p.*	'83	'98	53	106	159	25	6	0	6	3	4	0	7	5	0
Burlington,	1735	Dea. Samuel Sewall,	Austin Dodge, *p.*	'66	'95	18	40	58	22	0	3	3	2	1	0	3	0	2
Cambridge, 1st,	1636	George T. Chase,	Alexander McKenzie, *p. c.*	'61	'67	235	536	771	0	8	29	37	13	25	0	38	0	10
" Prospect st.,	1827	Frank W. Cram,	Reuben A. Beard, *p. c.*	'79	'97	106	293	399	111	14	22	36	13	6	12	31	9	7
" North av.,	1857	Everett L. Stevens,	Daniel Evans, *p. c.*	'91	'99	163	333	496	75	14	21	35	5	9	0	14	14	1
" Pilgrim,	1865	Daniel S. Coolidge,	William H. Spence, *p. c.*	'94	'01	194	370	564	120	7	0	7	10	15	25	50	2	9
" Wood Memorial,	1872	Dea. Abijah Buck,	Charles H. Williams, *p. c.*	'99	'99	102	244	346	45	35	14	49	6	12	5	23	8	33
" Hope,	1890	John Howarth,	Richard B. Grover, *p.*	'81	'00	29	48	77	1	13	0	13	0	8	17	25	4	13
Canton,	1828	Abner Morse,	Seelye Bryant, *p. c.*	'90	'90	25	72	97	32	0	2	2	4	2	0	6	0	1
Carlisle,	1781	Dea. Herbert P. Dutton,	A. Herbert Armes, *p.*	'89	'98	21	35	56	15	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2
Carver, **North**,	1733	Theron M. Cole,	[Oscar F. Stetson, *Lic.*]		'99	13	32	45	12	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	3	1

Bradford, *see* Haverhill. **Brighton**, *see* Boston. **Byfield**, *see* Newbury. **Campello**, *see* Brockton. **Centerville**, *see* Barnstable. **Charlestown**, *see* Boston.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Bos'n Boy'n, J.P.	Sylvester R. Crocker,	428	213	300	63	543	26	27	137	52	24	275	0	1,084	300	3,322
" *Swed.*,	John E. Friberg,	370	300	75	126	200	0	0	15	5	0	0	625	845	0	5,563
" *Norw.*,	Mrs. L. J. Pederson,	29	20	50		6	5	30	12	0	5	0	30	88	0	1,787
" Allston,	Frank H. Emerson,	351	184	300	115	420	31	33	760	32	30	32	1,515	2,853	0	7,258
" Harvard,	Frank B. Sherman,	370	250	350	72	44	0	0	182	3	0	0	132	361	0	3,836
" Central,	F. W. Thurston,	225	163	250	35	97	10	15	203	15	10	0	0	350	0	7,876
" Seamen's,	George Masters,	30	26		58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	75	0	
" Roslindale,	Charles A. Schmidt,	404	243	300	101	142	17	10	171	17	10	11	221	599	0	4,892
" St. Mark's,	T. J. Hamilton,	65	26	70	31	0	0	0	3	1	4	0	0	8	0	700
" Baker, East,	George Taylor,	300	140	250	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,700
Boxboro,	Martin E. Wood,	70	40	50	25	31	0	4	15	7	5	0	11	73	0	500
Boxford,	Dea. John W. Parkhurst,	60	54	105	0	89	6	13	63	68	8	0	0	247	0	1,200
" West,	Nathan B. Sargent,	70	40	80	23	60	9	6	46	60	4	0	0	185	0	1,100
Boylston, Cen.,	Calvin H. Andrews,	80	49	100	35	0	0	0	18	100	0	0	73	191	0	1,250
Braintree, 1st,	Charles S. Bates,	202	125	200	49	202	20	11	364	18	0	0	11	626	0	4,200
" South,	Dea. Henry B. Whitman,	212	101	200	60	33	7	7	25	24	7	0	48	151	0	7,000
Bridgewater,	W. D. Jackson,	180	142	150	133	55	18	12	221	44	27	0	0	377	0	2,612
" Scotland,	E. E. Keith, **Bridgewater,**	30		33	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	469
Brimfield,	Dea. Edward B. Brown,	110	48	65	18	67	14	16	39	16	22	2	83	259	0	1,380
Brockton, 1st,	C. J. Rollins,	544	302	600	300	204	20	20	520	20	27	0	331	1,142	0	7,200
" So., Campello,	George E. Keith, m	1,007	644	500	167	2,581	115	117	1,055	229	95	40	452	4,684	1,000	17,291
" Porter,	J. Howard Field,	907	529	650	173	740	53	4,772	554	128	70	48	842	7,207	0	9,313
" Waldo,	Charles E. Johnson,	265	173		88	30	0	0	49	0	25	0	30	134	0	1,810
" Wendell av.,	Charles Williamson,			104	67	0	0	0	10	0	1	0	5	16	0	
" Lincoln,	W. B. Howell,	70	34	30	40	0	0	0	0	5	2	8	28	43	0	985
Brookfield,	Edward B. Hale,	160	72	95	43	10	80	1	211	10	3	0	28	343	0	1,200
Brookline, Har'd,	Rev Oliver D. Sewall,	m740	448	550	200	4,245	0	500	2,301	572	334	0	10,111	18,063	0	18,000
" Leyden.	Maurice A. Hall,	250	59	100	25	970	2	28	965	455	91	0	0	2,511	0	6,527
Buckland,	Frederick L. Warfield,	120	83	123	33	108	9	26	96	19	10	5	14	287	0	1,100
Burlington,	Thomas I. Reed,	71	40	52	60	16	0	0	12	0	0	0	9	37	0	1,160
Cambridge, 1st,	Allan K. Sweet,	369	252		145	1,515	0	2,500	4,970	595	674	0	0	10,254	0	9,200
" Prospect st.,	George B. Caswell,	323	170	380	114	821	58	89	475	203	80	42	2,005	3,773	0	6,543
" North av.,	James Morrison,	524	352	300	98	555	65	50	525	127	0	0	173	1,495	0	9,040
" Pilgrim,	Arthur L. Miles,	488	286	450	143	357	57	47	270	159	46	0	62	998	0	5,030
" Wood Mem.,	Alfred J. Bailey,	425	300	500	125	40	5	0	122	5	5	5	141	323	0	3,736
" Hope,	John W. Beaven,	140	110	105	65	6	0	0	25	0	0	0	10	41	0	
Canton,	Albert F. Morse, 2d,	74	39	100	45	0	0	0	64	32	19	0	100	215	0	1,652
Carlisle,	Dea. Daniel L. Chamberlin,	85	43	45	42	15	7	6	15	10	13	0	12	78	0	1,347
Carver, North,	Charles A. Sherman,	65	39	50	17	25	3	3	34	3	3	0	9	80	60	440

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Charlemont, 1st,	1788	Dea. John H. Smead,				26	57	83	9	6	1	7	2	8	0	10	6	0
" East,	1845	Mrs. J. C. Whiting,	Lyman Whiting, *p.*	'43	'89	19	39	58	17	0	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	2
Charlton,	1761	Mrs. E. J. W. Spencer,	George O. Jenness, *p.*	'61	'96	19	41	60	24	2	2	4	2	2	0	4	2	0
Chatham,	1720	L. Sidney Atwood,	Frederic Parker, *p.*	'00	'00	20	49	69	19	0	2	2	2	0	6	8	0	0
Chelmsford, North,	1824	Dea. Charles H. Holt,	Robert W. Dunbar, *p. c.*	'99	'98	15	38	53	5	3	1	4	3	3	0	6	1	2
" Central,	1876	Dea. Wm. R. Fowle,	Ernest C. Bartlett, *p. c.*	'96	'94	38	78	116	16	5	5	10	2	4	0	6	4	0
Chelsea, 1st,	1841	Waldo E. Pratt,	Ross C. Houghton. *p. c.*	'69	'95	86	269	355	104	1	0	1	8	10	1	19	1	5
" Central,	1851	John A. Odiorne,	Rob't A. McFadden, *p. c.*	'96	'98	186	574	760	130	39	10	49	8	17	4	29	19	26
" 3d,	1877	Jacob Pratt,	Samuel M. Cathcart, *p. c.*	'96	'96	48	125	173	40	10	11	21	2	5	0	7	2	1
Chester, 1st,	1769	Wm. A. Lyman,	[William M. Weeks, *Bapt.*]	'81	'01	8	25	33	10	0	5	5	0	3	0	3	0	0
" 2d,	1844	Edward O. Redfield,	[William S. Walker, *Lic.*]		'01	29	72	101	24	0	2	2	3	3	0	6	0	0
Chesterfield,	1764	Mrs. Ellen A. Baker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, *p.*	'87	'95	29	65	94	14	0	2	2	4	0	4	8	0	0
Chicopee, 1st,	1752	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	Collins G. Burnham, *p. c.*	'79	'88	21	53	74	16	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
" 2d, Falls,	1830	Arthur B. West,	Harvey G. Pillsbury, *p.c.*	'82	'95	77	153	230	56	6	8	14	5	8	0	13	2	3
" 3d,	1834	James L. Pease,	Herbert P. Woodin, *p.*	'92	'98	49	119	168	51	4	8	12	2	5	0	7	2	2
Clinton,	1844	Edward W. Breed,	William W. Jordan, *p. c.*	'84	'93	150	333	483	100	16	2	18	10	12	0	22	2	15
" *German*,	1897	L. Walker,	Anton Huelster, *p.*		'70	'01	27	40	67	1	9	3	12	0	2	3	5	0	7
Cohasset,	1824	Warren L. Tower,	Charles W. Merriam, *p. c.*	'01	'01	36	111	147	18	6	5	11	2	2	0	4	4	2
" Beechwood,	1863	Mrs. Clara Hyland, *a*	Frank Park, *p.*	'95	'98	5	34	39	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Colerain,	1750	Dea. A. H. Temple, *b*	Charles M. Crooks, *p.*	'97	'96	14	42	56	10	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	1	0
Concord,	1826	Rev. Ole O. Thorpe,	George A. Tewksbury, *p.*	'63	'91	60	139	199	20	6	2	8	6	1	7	14	1	6
Conway,	1768	Henry W. Billings,	Eugene F. Hunt, *p.*	'84	'95	71	127	198	25	2	1	3	5	3	0	8	0	0
Cummington,	1839	George W. Guilford, *c*	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	34	67	101	16	7	1	8	2	1	0	3	5	0
" West,	1839	Mrs. Sarah M. Sears,	Lewis T. Reed, *p.*	'99	'99	7	26	33	8	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
Dalton,	1785	Dea. Henry A. Barton,	George W. Andrews, *p.*	'82	'83	131	237	368	61	17	6	23	3	7	0	10	12	4
Dana,	1852	N. L. Johnson,	Harlan Page, *p. d*	'80	'93	5	25	30	10	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Danvers,	1689	Edward A. H. Grover,	Harry C. Adams, *p. c.*	'89	'97	50	144	194	32	15	3	18	6	1	0	7	13	0
" Maple st.,	1844	Dea. John S. Learoyd,	Chauncey J. Hawkins, *p.c.*	'99	'00	120	282	402		5	6	11	7	4	0	11	2	0
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wanton H. Gray,				8	19	27	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Dedham,	1638	Theodore T. Marsh,	Edward H. Rudd, *p. c.*	'87	'01	93	194	287	82	15	8	23	9	6	0	15	6	7
Deerfield, South,	1818	Mrs. Mary P. Field,	Edward O. Grisbrook, *p.*	'93	'98	54	93	147	25	0	7	7	3	4	3	10	0	0
"	1835	B. Z. Stebbins,				17	38	55	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Dennis, South,	1817	Miss E. H. Underwood,	Washington H. Forbes, *p.*	'81	'99	9	48	57	0	1	1	2	3	1	0	4	0	0
" Union,	1866	Nathan A. Howes,				6	33	39	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dighton,	1710	Dea. Geo. E. Gooding,	Dorrall Lee, *p.*	'74	'99	13	36	49	4	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
Douglas,	1747	Laura E. Balcome,	Charles P. Pierce, *p.*, E. D.	'98	'00	6	26	32	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
" East,	1834	Dea. Edwin Moore,	Charles P. Pierce, *p.*	'98	'97	23	70	93	18	0	1	1	3	1	4	8	0	0
Dover,	1838	George L. Howe,	Albion H. Johnson, *p.*	'65	'01	20	25	45	6	0	4	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dracut, 1st,	1721	Dea. Silas R. Coburn,	John A. McKnight, *p.*	'93	'01	16	53	69	7	6	3	9	1	3	0	4	4	0
" Central,	1847	William H. Stickney,	Frederick I. Kelley, *p. c.*	'89	'97	52	92	144	22	10	1	11	5	2	0	7	5	2

a N. Scituate. *b* Griswoldville. *c* Swift River. *d* Hardwick.

Chiltonville, *see* Plymouth. Clarendon Hills, *see* Hyde Park. Cliftondale, *see* Saugus. Cotuit, *see* Barnstable. Curtisville, *see* Stockbridge. Dorchester, *see* Boston.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Charlemont, 1st,	G. H. Frary,	95	42	75	10	18	0	0	51	23	3	0	9	104	60	700
" East,	Dea. Lorenzo Richmond,	45	29	42	45	37	22	10	26	12	14	2	130	253	0	400
Charlton,	Mrs. E. J. W. Spencer,	45	32	50	54	55	1	3	17	9	2	0	4	91	0	1,302
Chatham,	Roswell Atwood,	90	53	70	62	12	5	10	12	4	8	0	12	63	0	1,335
Chelmsford, N.,	Arthur W. Trubey,	124	74	124	86	0	0	7	5	3	0	0	5	20	0	1,151
" Cen'l	Samuel Hagerman,	152	80	83	83	99	14	11	30	0	3	0	96	253	0	1,517
Chelsea, 1st,	Arthur C. Stone,	m596	276	390	106	383	10	6	36	46	9	17	2,975	3,482	0	4,327
" Central,	George E. Morrill,	965	383		132	652	9	11	243	52	11	13	60	1,051	0	8,696
" 3d,	Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart,	415			103	123	11	0	10	14	8	9	50	225	3,000	2,582
Chester, 1st,	William Ward,	40	25	23	0	4	0	0	6	0	0	0	10	20	0	467
" 2d,	Miss Grace M. Pease,	100	57	112	25	22	0	0	13	11	0	0	72	118	0	1,098
Chesterfield,	William H. Baker,	75	41	125	32	54	0	10	13	11	11	10	10	119	0	750
Chicopee, 1st,	Rev. C. G. Burnham,	74	38	41	16	36	8	7	21	7	4	3	8	94	4,500	1,460
" 2d, Falls,	Clinton A. Wood,	200	118	130	30	137	121	31	320	56	33	4	31	733	0	3,200
" 3d,	George H. Hale,	136	83	95	45	677	750	5	71	63	167	9	1,808	3,550	0	3,300
Clinton,	Charles E. Wells,	650	300	300	117	400	13	20	600	20	16	11	802	1,882	0	5,270
" *German*,	Paul Gleisberg,	138	100	85	13	8	0	3	17	3	0	0	0	31	0	1,548
Cohasset,	Philander Bates,	167	93	123	104	108	33	49	73	0	0	0	13	276	0	1,800
" Beechwood,	Rev. Frank Park,	103	47	89	31	3	0	3	5	1	0	0	4	16	0	500
Colerain,	Rev. C. M. Crooks,	61	23	78	25	13	1	1	11	17	6	3	10	62	0	1,459
Concord,	Benjamin Moody,	177	117	225	55	277	48	9	129	54	33	29	108	687	0	5,948
Conway,	Dea. E. W. Hamilton,	114	70	100	54	115	5	21	119	69	10	0	96	435	0	2,000
Cummington,	Ward A. Harlow,	172	99	100	23	68	2	3	33	16	4	0	24	150	0	871
" West,	A. N. Hubbard,	40	30	45	20	17	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	42	0	196
Dalton,	Dea. Payson E. Little,	388	228	275	178	2,670	1,510	141	2,268	749	143	204	514	8,199	0	3,735
Dana,	Forest A. Hicks, Nichewaug,	30	26	42	18	0	0	0	10	0	2	0	0	12	0	295
Danvers,	Dea. William Siner,	225	121	160	58	113	3	20	36	36	5	7	83	303	1,000	2,235
" Maple st.,	Wallace P. Perry,	654	344	450	200	1,017	73	55	410	170	52	15	445	2,237	200	5,475
Dartmouth, So.,	E. B. Sturtevant,	65	33	80	0	5	5	5	5	0	0	0	51	71	0	909
Dedham,	James Y. Noyes,	322	256	200	84	867	88	71	693	98	94	42	197	2,150	0	5,664
Deerfield, South,	L. T. Harris,	132	75	125	49	41	19	23	37	32	8	5	50	215	0	1,214
"	John J. Greenough,	57	24	38	0	17	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	22	0	846
Dennis, South,	Andrew J. Hersey,	70	48	70	30	15	5	5	5	5	11	0	20	66	0	850
" Union,	Nathan A. Howes,	125	45	50	50	10	0	0	42	0	5	0	10	67	0	700
Dighton,	George A. Clark,	70	45	51	46	61	1	0	107	12	0	0	11	192	0	1,250
Douglas,	Fred J. Lindberg,	40	28	40	22	6	0	5	0	8	8	0	5	32	0	380
" East,	Thomas H. Meek,	164	61	136	84	84	12	16	32	69	20	3	57	293	0	1,270
Dover,	George L. Howe,	50	27	30	30	18	0	0	22	15	0	0	3	58	0	501
Dracut, 1st,	Charles L. Hodge,	131	90	75	50	2	1	3	2	1	4	3	0	16	0	1,200
" Central,	Charles Taplin,	140	87	75	40	55	14	6	7	3	0	0	0	85	0	1,695

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Dudley,	1732	Dea. Wm. H. Upham,	Frederick D. Thayer, *p. c.*	'01	'01	17	59	76	17	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	1
Dunstable,	1757	Lyman V. Parkhurst,	H. Linwood Hartwell, *p.*	'95	'99	29	57	86	10	7	0	7	1	1	0	2	7	7
Duxbury,	1843	John H. Haverstock,	Henry B. Mason, *p.*	'92	'00	13	59	72	24	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
East Bridgewater,	1826	C. W. Leach, Campello,	William S. A. Miller, *p.*	'96	'01	44	59	103		0	6	6	4	7	0	11	0	0
Easthampton, 1st,	1785	H. L. Lyman,				92	213	305		9	2	11	4	7	0	11	2	1
" Payson,	1852	Charles H. Johnson,	Charles H. Hamlin, *p. c.*	'76	'85	123	340	463	90	1	3	4	14	13	0	27	0	13
East Longmeadow,	1829	Arthur G. Crane,	Harry C. McKnight, *p.*	'85	'98	35	71	106	23	4	5	9	0	2	1	3	2	5
Easton, Center,	1725	Dea. E. B. Hayward,*a*	Augustus H. Fuller, *p.*	'78	'92	56	112	168	27	16	0	16	1	7	0	8	12	3
" *Swedish*, North,	1883	Edwin Person,	Lambert T. Lindholm, *p.*	'98	'98	23	31	54	1	5	0	5	0	4	4	8	0	9
Edgartown,	1642	Theo. S. Wimpinney,	Charles L. Woodworth, *p.*	'89	'00	26	54	80	15	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	3	1
Egremont, South,	1816	Roscoe C. Taft,	[Bruce W. Cronmiller, *Pr.*]	*p.* '93	'96	25	74	99	0	4	0	4	2	1	0	3	3	2
Enfield,	1789	Herbert H. Barlow,	J. Cowles Andrus, *p.*	'83	'01	145	76	221	50	18	5	23	5	4	0	9	2	4
Erving,	1832	William W. Brown,	John A. Pogue, *p.*	'96	'00	10	24	34	7	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	3
Essex,	1683	Rufus Choate,	Edward A. Lathrop, *p.*	'95	'01	34	93	127	18	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	1
Everett, 1st,	1848	Dea. Franklin Pierce,	William I. Sweet, *p.*	'87	'97	181	262	443	53	16	20	36	7	24	0	31	7	10
" Courtland st.,	1891	H. S. Cullington,	George Y. Washburn, *p.*	'82	'00	37	68	105	14	49	10	59	0	5	0	5	12	11
" Mystic Side,	1893	William D. Archibald,	Charles H. Percival, *p.*	'84	'01	47	92	139	14	0	5	5	2	5	0	7	0	1
Fairhaven,	1794	Miss Susan P. Willcox,	Frederick B. Lyman, *p.*	'00	'00	29	82	111	23	7	6	13	4	0	2	6	6	1
Fall River, 1st,	1816		William W. Adams, *p. c.*	'60	'63	60	193	253	33	1	1	2	7	1	0	8	1	0
" Central,	1842	Walter E. Dow,				209	408	617	0	25	6	31	4	18	0	22	0	4
" Fowler,	1874	P. Coleman Downey,	Payson W. Lyman, *p. c.*	'71	'88	20	78	98	22	5	2	7	1	3	0	4	3	3
" *French*,	1886	Joseph M. Adams,	Samuel P. Rondeau, *p. c.*	'92	'96	42	52	94	16	4	0	4	0	1	0	1	4	3
" Broadway,	1894	Dea. E. R. Livingstone,	James E. Enman, *p. c.*	'95	'99	22	52	74	6	5	3	8	0	0	3	3	1	0
Falmouth, 1st,	1708	Dea. Seba A. Holton,	John H. Quint, *p. c.*	'00	'00	44	110	154	37	12	7	19	4	1	2	7	6	6
" East,	1821	Dea. W. W. Eldredge,*b*	George E. Chapen, *p.*	'76	'01	9	21	30	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1833	Dea. Jas. M. Whitehill,	Ezra N. Smith, *p.*	'72	'90	15	29	44	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Waquoit,	1849	Dea. John B. Fisher,	John W. Brownville, *p.*	'73	'00	15	31	46	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Woods Holl,	1880	Mrs. Fannie Robinson,	Joseph B. Long, *p.*	'90	'99	13	15	28	16	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Fitchburg, Calvinist,	1768	William K. Bailey.	A. Frederic Dunnels, *p. c.*	'84	'99	149	284	433	77	22	18	40	4	5	0	9	9	8
" Rollstone,	1868	Frank C. Hoyt,	William O. Conrad, *p. c.*	'90	'96	197	402	599	95	18	14	32	9	11	0	20	6	4
" *German*,	1889	Gust. A. Basslack,	Fritz W. Martini, *p. c.*	'97	'00	21	46	67	3	5	0	5	0	2	17	19	0	3
" *Swedish*,	1892	Gustof Wagner,	Jonas Anderson, *p.*	'97	'99	33	56	89	9	0	2	2	0	1	6	7	0	4
Foxboro',	1779	Horace Carpenter,	Edward Evans, *p.*	'75	'01	65	183	248	64	0	8	8	3	4	3	10	0	3
Framingham, Plymouth,	1701	Rev. L. R. Eastman,	Lucius R. Eastman, *p. c.*	'62	'71	75	192	267	21	2	5	7	8	4	2	14	1	3
" Saxonville,	1833	Dea. J. B. Johnson,	Arthur Titcomb, *p.*	'88	'99	33	109	142	40	0	4	4	8	1	0	9	0	0
" South,	1873	George L. Clapp,	Frederick E. Emrich, *p. c.*	'75	'90	137	292	429	64	13	6	19	4	7	0	11	1	5
Franklin, 1st,	1738	Dea. J. Herbert Baker,	Isaiah W. Sneath, *p. c.*	'84	'99	78	199	277	58	3	5	8	3	9	9	21	2	3
Freetown, Assonet,	1807	Mrs. R. H. Francis,	Leonard W. Bacon, *p.*	'56	'01	8	15	23	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
Gardner,	1786	Dea. Henry H. Smith,	Burton S. Gilman, *p. c.*	'97	'97	159	320	479	59	13	11	24	15	8	3	26	6	0
Georgetown, 1st,	1732	Miss Ellen W. Spofford,				28	96	124	33	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	1

Enfield, see Pelham. Feeding Hills, see Agawam. *a* Eastondale. *b* Hatchville. Florence, see Northampton. Gilbertville, see Hardwick.

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Dudley,	Miss Bertha E. Whiting,	112	51	65	45	35	0	0	10	0	12	0	0	47	0	930
Dunstable,	Dea. George A. Glover,	96	51		43	62	25	25	65	43	15	0	61	296	0	773
Duxbury,	Miss S. B. Higgins,	63	50	84	17	20	0	0	10	4	0	0	135	169	0	1,082
E. Bridgewater,	George A. Dunbar, Campello,	95	54	110	37	58	0	10	34	3	45	0	44	194	0	1,478
Easthampton, 1st,	L. E. Parsons,	240	130	200	74	43	15	21	56	31	7	14	98	285	0	
" Payson,	Frank A. Leach,	254	178	200	90	140	15	20	369	42	10	13	174	783	0	4,776
E. Longmeadow,	Edward M. Burt,	115	75	63	33	52	5	5	36	8	8	2	21	137	0	947
Easton,	Chas. M. Ripley, So. Easton,	m317	185	225	114	138	11	13	29	41	10	7	70	319	0	1,575
" S., North,	William Borg,	125	105	50	25	9	0	7	5	0	0	0	0	21	0	927
Edgartown,	Mrs. R. F. Shepard,	60	40	52	40	9	2	2	38	6	2	0	5	64	0	950
Egremont, South,	Chester G. Dalzell,					16	7	6	10	13	8	0	35	95	0	887
Enfield,	R. L. Thayer, Smiths,	209	140	150	68	132	172	13	178	75	5	13	118	706	0	2,023
Erving,	William W. Brown,	80	35	104	27	7	0	0	18	5	4	4	0	38	0	567
Essex,	Dea. Gardner Burnham,	163	83	138	65	23	10	18	46	20	24	0	36	177	0	1,650
Everett, 1st,	George S. Marshall,	1,166	401	400	166	121	54	12	143	27	17	7	233	614	0	4,864
" Courtland st.	John M. Finch,	200	135	150	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,216
" Mystic Side,	Allison C. Smith,	325	193	183	69	44	5	4	30	11	7	3	29	133	0	3,200
Fairhaven,	S. F. Waterson,	158	98	154	58	57	0	13	68	13	14	0	16	181	469	1,976
Fall River, 1st,	G. Frank Allen,	287	164	255	182	1,340	17547	60	2,635	37	120	0	10,193	31,932	0	5,984
" Cen'l,	C. V. S. Remington,	m585	525	427	60	1,514	110	134	1,490	343	300	0	24,069	27,960	0	10,000
" Fowler,	Frederick W. Lawson,	145	120	90	74	69	6	7	29	18	25	0	16	170	0	950
" *French*,	Rev. Samuel P. Rondeau,	66	55	33	0	4	0	0	13	0	0	0	18	35	0	378
" Broadway,	Rev. James E. Enman,	130	76	85	35	18	6	4	25	3	4	0	105	165	0	800
Falmouth, 1st,	W. C. Davis,	158	95	150	25	121	12	20	224	31	50	17	54	529	0	2,450
" East,	Wm. F. Robinson, Hatchville,	30	25	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	15	0	685
" North,	Dea. Silas Hatch, Hatchville,	40	15	50	23	74	5	5	20	3	5	0	39	151	0	800
" Waquoit,	Edward A. Little,	30	22	40	0	1	0	0	9	0	3	0	5	18	0	350
" Woods Holl,	Cora S. Long,	33	20	22	21	5	0	0	16	5	5	0	0	31	0	475
Fitchburg, Calv.	John G. Thompson,	374	205	325	123	811	13	280	769	143	102	41	1,236	3,395	0	5,858
" Rollstone,	Emery F. Burrage,	494	299	500	158	252	20	36	402	134	32	30	341	1,247	0	8,118
" *German*,	Rev. Fitz W. Martini,	88	52	70	22	27	0	0	30	0	0	0	16	73	200	300
" *Swedish*,	Eu. Ramgren,	118	99	35	30	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	45	55	0	1,750
Foxboro',	William S. Kimball,	225	141	173	43	234	12	17	104	26	10	4	144	551	0	2,678
Framingham,	Lucius R. Eastman, jr.	137	85	140	55	337	405	85	677	256	0	0	36	1,796	125	2,834
" Saxonville,	Arthur C. Winch,	77	50	90	40	18	1	32	50	2	7	4	22	136	0	1,600
" South,	Edward W. Lamson,	473	256	400	118	423	39	38	298	212	49	20	1,067	2,046	2,500	7,102
Franklin, 1st,	Carl B. Johnson,	261	154	250	63	171	20	7	167	31	13	0	121	530	0	3,277
Freetown,	Charles W. Payne,	65	30	54	29	4	0	3	8	0	0	0	165	180	1,000	544
Gardner,	George A. Swallow,	382	188	400	112	300	149	41	383	122	60	0	1,375	2,430	0	5,500
Georgetown, 1st,	Edwin S. Daniels,	106	84	120	32	29	0	0	44	0	5	0	54	132	3,000	1,526

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Georgetown Memorial,	1864	Dea. Henry Hilliard,	D. Frank Atherton, *p. c.*	'02	'02	26	77	103	22	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
Gill,	1796	Mrs. L. E. L. Moore,	William H. Dowden, *p.*	'63	'98	12	25	37	11	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2
Gloucester, West,	1716	Arthur M. Wilkins,	Temple Cutler, *p.*	'61	'95	28	40	68	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Trinity,	1829	John J. Pew,	Rufus P. Hibbard, *p. c.*	'68	'88	74	262	336	22	6	0	6	4	11	0	15	2	13
" Lanesville,	1830	Francis Reid,	Frank H. Reed, *p. c.*	'86	'85	50	102	152	38	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
" Magnolia,	1887	George A. Upton,	[Markham W. Stackpole, *Lic.*]		'99	15	27	42	7	7	3	10	0	0	0	0	6	2
Goshen,	1780	Dea. N. Shaw, Swift River,	Calvin Keyser, *p. c.*		'75	'98	15	32	47	8	3	0	3	1	1	4	6	3
Grafton,	1731	H. Catharine Allen,	Samuel A. Harlow, *p. c.*		'82	'01	34	90	124	21	9	2	11	4	1	0	5	1
" Saundersville,	1860	Wm. E. Fowler,	David Howie, *p.*		'89	'93	51	99	150	36	2	7	9	2	2	0	4	1
Granby,	1762	Dea. Simeon Kellogg,	Robert C. Bell, *p.*		'69	'92	67	127	194	42	0	1	1	6	0	3	9	0
Granville, East,	1747	Mrs. J. W. Johnson,	David L. Kebbe, *p.*		'91	'01	11	28	39	17	1	2	3	0	2	1	3	1
" West,	1781	Mrs. Mary B. Treat,					24	31	55	27	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Great Barrington,	1743	J. W. Curtiss,	Leon D. Bliss, *p. c.*		'89	'96	88	216	304	73	5	12	17	1	7	0	8	5
" Housatonic,	1841	Thomas E. Brown,	R. DeWitt Mallary, *p.*		'76	'01	50	113	163	26	0	5	5	4	3	0	7	0
Greenfield, 1st,	1754	Charles W. Dinsmore,	Carey H. Watson, *p.*		'91	'90	32	51	83	14	4	2	6	0	1	0	1	3
" 2d,	1817	Dwight A. Keyes,	Charles E. Beals, *p. c.*		'94	'00	93	270	363	51	21	16	37	3	12	16	31	13
Greenwich,	1749	Dea. C. B. Coit,	James P. Harper, *p.*		'94	'99	29	86	115	15	9	1	10	2	0	0	2	6
Groton,	1664	Darwin P. Keyes,	George M. Howe, *p. c.*		'74	'01	50	109	159	16	5	3	8	7	8	1	16	3
" West,	1893	Mrs. M. E. Williams,	Alfred S. Hudson, *p.*		'67	'92	8	15	23	1	1	6	7	1	0	0	1	1
Groveland,	1727	Dea. W. B. Ladd,	Charles F. Clarke, *p.*		'92	'99	26	68	94	12	0	0	0	5	2	0	7	0
Hadley, 1st,	1659	Miss Mary A. Cook,	Edward E. Keedy, *p.*		'94	'94	59	131	190	37	0	4	4	5	1	0	6	0
" 2d, North,	1831	Orville W. Prouty,	John W. Lane, *p. c.*		'60	'77	48	73	121	45	0	0	0	4	4	0	8	1
Halifax,	1734	Miss M. J. Danforth,	Jesse H. Jones, *p.*		'61	'97	12	31	43	19	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0
Hamilton,	1714	Miss Sarah R. Safford,	Jesse G. Nichols, *p. c.*		'94	'94	25	71	96	31	4	0	4	6	3	0	9	3
Hampden,	1785	Dea. A. B. Newell,					26	51	77	18	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Hanover, West,	1728	Dea. Francis B. Ellis,	Edward D. Disbrow, *p.*		'92	'95	11	40	51	0	1	2	3	3	4	0	7	1
" Four Corners,	1854	Henry B. Barstow,	John Wild, *p.*		'92	'92	11	32	43	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hanson,	1748	Dea. G. W. Severance, *a*	Roland D. Sawyer, *p.*		'00	'00	9	30	39	7	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	1
Hardwick,	1736	Rev. Harlan Page,	Harlan Page, *p.*		'83	'91	12	40	52	6	6	0	6	2	0	0	2	5
" Gilbertville,	1867	Alfred H. Richardson,					50	82	132	44	5	2	7	3	5	0	8	2
Harvard,	1821	Dea. J. W. Bacon, Ayer,	Jason G. Miller, *p. c.*		'99	'99	24	35	59	6	2	1	3	5	0	0	5	1
Harwich,	1747	Franklin Underwood,	Charles H. Rowley, *p.*		'81	'99	19	50	69	14	1	0	1	0	2	1	3	1
" Port,	1855	Mrs. Emulous Small,	Sampson Nicholls, *p.*		'78	'00	6	45	51	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Hatfield,	1671	Dea. James Porter,	Robert M. Woods, *p. c.*		'77	'76	101	169	270	33	4	3	7	6	4	1	11	0
Haverhill, Bradford,	1682	S. Willard Carleton,	Everett S. Stackpole, *p. c.*		'82	'01	121	294	415	37	7	11	18	8	4	0	12	5
" West,	1735	Edward Webster,	John N. Lowell, *p. c.*		'77	'80	52	91	143	43	1	0	1	6	1	0	7	1
" 4th,	1744	Dea. J. H. Jaques,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*		'66	'88	6	10	16	6	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0
" Center,	1833	Charles N. Dyer,	Calvin M. Clark, *p. c.*		'90	'93	121	340	461	82	11	8	19	7	2	0	9	6
" North,	1859	George C. How,	James S. Williamson, *p. c.*		'90	'99	142	375	517		15	16	31	14	3	0	17	0
" Riverside,	1884	Clifton M. Foster,	George L. Gleason, *p. c.*		'66	'88	21	55	76	11	2	3	5	0	1	11	12	2

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George'n, Mem'l,	Henry E. Perkins,	149	65	140	40	61	7	0	81	13	0	0	92	254	1,000	1,589
Gill,	Francis A. Foster,	35	25	30	20	0	0	0	6	0	2	0	8	16	52	535
Gloucester, West,	E. Walter Haskell,	78	46	58	20	20	0	8	20	13	0	0	10	71	0	400
" Trinity,	John Cunningham,	500	331	380	43	451	62	102	1,434	167	0	48	943	3,207	0	5,252
" L'v'le,	Joseph H. Andrews,	182	81	105	54	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	35	0	1,075
" Magnolia,	Ernest W. Dunbar,	73	43	85	15	10	0	0	10	0	0	0	31	51	0	1,488
Goshen,	Mrs. E. C. Packard,	45	23	44	26	34	37	0	10	3	0	0	33	117	0	
Grafton,	Rev. Samuel A. Harlow,	134	65	93	31	188	0	0	87	0	3	0	24	302	0	2,189
" Saundersville,	James T. Shirley,	192	121	120	92	141	4	10	20	5	10	2	87	279	0	1,945
Granby,	W. A. Taylor,	135	71	97	49	86	83	6	102	66	6	7	44	400	0	1,635
Granville, East,	Edward Roberts,	42	19	40	21	20	0	3	5	5	1	0	2	36	0	650
" West,	Mrs. Mary B. Treat,	35	20	35	0	0	0	0	10	0	4	0	0	14	0	301
Great Barrington	E. J. Van Lennep,	233	142	200	82	295	100	41	155	40	30	38	273	972	0	4,609
" Housatonic,	W. C. French,	170	120	150	46	109	6	12	142	122	23	6	61	481	0	6,800
Greenfield, 1st,	Lewis N. Smead,	105	54	75	32	38	0	0	31	32	16	0	45	162	0	944
" 2d,	Francis A. Alvord,	300	241	400	100	612	110	64	679	170	64	0	139	1,838	0	6,039
Greenwich,	F. P. Hall, G. Village,	90	55	105	50	15	8	16	13	59	25	0	15	151	0	900
Groton,	Herbert W. Taylor,	149	78	110	56	223	226	15	333	100	25	0	89	1,011	0	2,084
" West,	Charles Bixby,	58	31	35	26	41	0	0	0	19	7	0	0	67	0	356
Groveland,	Charles S. Huntress,	181	87	175	23	100	2	7	23	30	3	6	88	259	0	1,204
Hadley, 1st,	M. S. Pierce,	120	75	100	37	128	12	18	65	34	5	3	106	371	1,000	1,300
" 2d, North,	Charles S. Abbott,	65	37	68	22	24	0	0	0	18	0	0	35	77	0	855
Halifax,	Miss M. J. Danforth,	30	17	58	20	30	0	0	19	0	0	0	5	54	0	
Hamilton,	E.A.Smith, Wenham Depot,	100	50	160	70	56	0	0	13	12	5	0	95	181	0	2,180
Hampden,	Dea. Alonzo B. Newell,	45	22	45	0	17	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	19	0	1,550
Hanover, West,	Henry McNayr,	84	37	85	35	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	72	79	0	1,105
" Four Corners,	Israel Hatch,	48	27	50	16	30	4	2	10	5	1	2	16	70	0	565
Hanson,	Malinda A. Carr,	m79	54	125	44	55	1	1	7	4	1	2	15	86	0	619
Hardwick,	Miss Lucy S. Perry,	56	23	80	18	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	19	0	1,200
" Gilbertville,	Elmer M. Marsh,	185	158	130	24	223	44	62	169	96	89	21	108	812	0	2,067
Harvard,	Charles L. Clay,	100	50	50	45	0	56	6	58	4	5	0	46	175	0	1,157
Harwich,	Cyrenus S. Hunt,	77	45	92	80	32	6	14	20	19	12	0	15	118	0	1,200
" Port,	Mrs. Jehiel Jordan,	95	48	100	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,050
Hatfield,	Henry E. Wilkie,	133	90	130	30	310	38	41	223	175	32	10	189	1,018	4,875	2,213
Haverhill, B'fd,	George E. Kimball,	m340	182	400	96	78	10	14	246	68	14	0	56	486	0	3,000
" West,	E. A. Emerson,	151	80	90	60	60	6	8	126	89	17	0	113	419	0	1,200
" 4th,	Joseph H. Jagues,	22	11	33	0	10	15	0	55	0	0	0	160	240	0	525
" Center,	Leonard H. Noyes,	508	247	400	121	201	130	45	218	252	61	0	490	1,397	0	4,800
" North,	J. W. Tapley,	366	190	520	49	756	0	0	850	600	0	0	11,188	13,394	0	8,500
" Riverside,	Dea. A. W. Brown,	172	111	220	128	6	0	5	25	0	10	0	35	81	0	1,206

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Haverhill, Union,	1891	Miss Mary P. Merrill,	George H. Hubbard, *p. c.*	'84	'02	38	98	136	18	4	0	4	0	5	0	5	2	0
" St. John's, *French*,	'93	Mrs. Chas. L. Charron,	Charles L. Charron, *p. c.*	'98	'00	16	20	36	13	3	2	5	0	2	3	5	3	0
" **Ward Hill,**	1893	Dea. J. Harlan Chase,	Charles Clark, *p. c.*	'94	'97	29	54	83	13	0	3	3	1	1	0	2	0	6
Hawley,	1788	Mrs. F. S. Bissell,	Hohannes T. Torosyan, *p.*	'99	'99	16	24	40	8	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	0
" **West,**	1825	Mrs. Clarence Fuller,				19	30	49	7	0	0	0	0	2	5	7	0	1
Heath,	1892	H.E.Stetson, **N.Heath,**	Daniel B. Wyman, *p.*	'01	'01	17	34	51	2	6	1	7	1	3	0	4	6	1
Hingham,	1847	E.M. Lane, **H. Center,**				36	59	95	19	3	0	3	3	5	2	10	0	8
" Bethany, **Nantasket,**	1891	M. P. Beale,				6	13	19	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Hinsdale,	1795	James Hosmer,	James H. Laird, *p. c.*	'64	'83	46	106	152	40	2	0	2	3	3	0	6	0	1
Holbrook,	1856	Seth C. Sawyer,				67	157	224	46	6	1	7	4	7	0	11	5	0
Holden,	1742	Miss Nancy Perry,	Thomas E. Babb, *p.*	'69	'92	39	64	103	23	2	2	4	4	2	0	6	2	1
Holland,	1765	Miss Ella J. Webber,	Josiah G. Willis, *p.*	'76	'96	9	21	30	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Holliston,	1728	Dea. Wm. Daniels,	Nicholas Van der Pyl, *p. c.*	'93	'95	65	168	233	50	6	6	12	10	1	0	11	4	4
Holyoke, 1st,	1799	John K. Judd,	George W. Winch, *p. c.*	'75	'88	99	206	305	18	7	12	19	4	2	0	6	3	4
" 2d,	1849	Dea. C. J. Humeston,	Edward A. Reed, *p. c.*	'71	'86	295	667	962	158	23	12	35	15	23	1	39	13	25
" *French*,	1886	George Robert, M. D.,	[Albert J. Lods, *Presb.*]	'89	'01	21	20	41	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hopkinton,	1724	J. David Stewart,	James B. King, *p. c.*	'84	'99	57	110	167	49	0	3	3	1	2	4	7	0	0
Hubbardston,	1770	Miss Lucy H. Grimes,	Milan H. Hitchcock, *p.*	'57	'99	20	38	58	19	2	2	4	3	2	0	5	0	2
Hudson,	1889	Almon W. Aldrich,	Almon J. Rackliffe, *p.*	'82	'94	36	75	111	21	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	3
Huntington, 1st, **Norwich,**	1778	C. H. Kirkland, **Norwich,**	Webster L. Hendrick, *p.*	'89	'98	26	40	66	13	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
" 2d,	1846	Edward Raby,	[George G. Ross, *Lic.*]		'01	33	73	106	35	1	1	2	3	4	0	7	0	0
Hyde Park,	1863	William W. Lewis,	Henry N. Hoyt, *p. c.*	'76	'98	207	447	654	164	4	14	18	8	17	2	27	2	5
" **Clarendon Hills,**	1880	George Jeffers,	Arsene B. Schmavonian, *p.*	'99	'01	20	36	56	14	0	3	3	0	8	0	8	0	4
Ipswich, 1st,	1634	Dea. J. H. Cogswell,	Edward Constant, *p.*	'83	'92	36	112	148	23	4	0	4	8	0	1	9	4	0
" South,	1747	Jesse H. Wade,	T. Frank Waters, *p. c.*	'76	'79	29	129	158		2	1	3	1	1	0	2	0	0
" Linebrook,	1749	Dea. J. H. Tenney,	William P. Alcott, *p. c.*	'68	'85	19	22	41	8	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Kingston,	1828	Miss M. B. Burgess,	Ernest M. Bartlett, *p.*	'97	'00	17	53	70	22	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1
Lakeville,	1725	Dea. C.F. Paull, **Myricks,**	George H. Perry, *p.*	'88	'97	38	36	74	18	5	2	7	0	1	0	1	5	0
Lancaster,	1839	Horatio Bayley,	Darius B. Scott, *p.*	'72	'01	31	56	87	36	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	0
Lanesboro,	1764	Dea. Wm. S. Royce,				4	12	16	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Lawrence, Lawrence st.,	1847	Albert I. Couch,	William E. Wolcott, *p. c.*	'81	'85	156	409	565	175	27	7	34	7	5	0	12	12	3
" South,	1868	Dea. G. W. Dinsmore,	David P. Hatch, *p. c.*	'86	'99	42	101	143	29	1	5	6	0	5	0	5	1	0
" Riverside,	1878	Richard Shiers,	Charles P. Marshall, *p. c.*	'98	'00	33	82	115	17	6	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	8
" Trinity,	1883	Wilbur E. Rowell,	Frederick H. Page, *p. c.*	'93	'96	118	271	389	82	9	5	14	4	5	16	25	3	27
" United,	1886	Herbert W. Davis,	Herbert G. Mank, *p. c.*	'89	'98	47	124	171	20	6	8	14	0	0	0	0	2	9
Lee,	1780	Dea. Charles H. Sabin,	Lyman S. Rowland, *p. c.*	'64	'77	121	255	376	62	15	9	24	10	3	0	13	4	6
Leicester,	1719	George O. Currier,	David C. Reid, *p. c.*	'84	'94	62	115	177	55	8	1	9	3	10	10	23	4	0
Lenox,	1769	Dea. Henry Sedgwick,	Frederick Lynch, *p.*	'99	'98	54	98	152	29	1	0	1	4	1	1	6	0	4
Leominster,	1822	Walter N. Howe,	Lawrence Phelps, *p.*	'78	'99	148	310	458	56	7	8	15	4	4	0	8	4	7
" North,	1874	Mrs. Emma G. Hall,	Albert F. Newton, *p.*	'77	'01	18	44	62	7	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0

Haydenville, see Williamsburg. Housatonic, see Great Barrington. Hyannis, see Barnstable.
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CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Haverh'll, Union,	Jacob K. Nute,	216	151	258	55	51	0	0	17	39	3	0	0	110	0	1,921
" St. John's, *Fr.*	Rev. Charles L. Charron,	31	19	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	32	34	0	253
" Ward Hill,	Herbert C. Waldo,	104	74	115	38	3	1	1	45	1	30	4	2	87	0	1,325
Hawley,	Horace C. Harmon,	26	22	40	15	23	0	2	13	4	6	0	29	77	0	375
" West,	C. C. Fuller,	35	23	34	28	8	0	2	7	0	6	0	6	29	0	230
Heath,	Miss Mamie E. Maxwell,	100	40	80	35	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	17	27	0	450
Hingham,	Edgar M. Lane, H. Center,	123	60	60	0	38	0	6	13	8	5	0	25	95	0	1,228
" Bethany,		0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Hinsdale,	Thomas A. Frissell,	121	88	105	65	229	8	8	201	50	3	0	34	533	0	1,595
Holbrook,	Leonard Belcher,	174	103	165	54	216	162	23	759	48	54	16	16	1,294	0	2,813
Holden,	Herbert J. Jones,	98	54	125	42	74	6	5	25	9	6	0	0	125	1,100	1,979
Holland,	Freeman B. Blodgett,	36	16	28	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	20	0	205
Holliston,	Louis B. Dyer,	160	87	185	58	50	11	14	106	31	10	0	165	387	250	3,120
Holyoke, 1st,	Thomas W. Holley,	476	261	360	134	182	23	14	305	80	22	13	1,089	1,728	0	12,802
" 2d,	A. H. Morton, m	1,047	598	596	178	1,386	81	1,940	4,304	149	96	115	35,913	43,984	0	11,627
" *French*,	Gustave A. Flühmann,	10	7	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Hopkinton,	Erwin R. Smith,	197	130	150	52	63	7	16	743	28	50	10	45	962	0	1,825
Hubbardston,	Charles T. Wyman,	56	35	55	0	40	4	8	71	18	13	0	0	154	0	980
Hudson,	William S. Powell,	196	93	93	73	0	0	9	35	20	10	0	61	135	0	1,048
Huntington, 1st,	Mrs. W. L. Hendrick,	60	42	40	40	2	0	3	5	35	0	0	0	45	0	432
" 2d,	Edward Raby,	105	39	76	26	15	0	5	10	10	0	0	0	40	0	1,945
Hyde Park,	William D. Ward,	716	367		178	843	180	56	258	212	26	22	464	2,061	0	7,095
" Cl. Hills,	Henry L. Johnson,	127	69	60	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ipswich, 1st,	Rev. Edward Constant,	160	77	150	53	141	5	10	89	28	22	0	122	425	3,000	1,963
" South,	Frank T. Goodhue,	104	57			71	62	12	45	95	25	5	33	348	0	
" Linebrook,	Albert F. Tenney,	35	23	40	17	11	5	6	11	11	2	0	20	66	0	600
Kingston,	Rev. E. M. Bartlett,	m70	35	73	15	41	10	10	15	5	11	10	40	142	0	1,855
Lakeville,	Thomas P. Paull, Myricks,	60	37	50	0	29	5	5	18	15	8	0	105	185	0	700
Lancaster,	Rev. Dwight Goddard,	90	58	83	0	110	5	4	91	62	14	0	43	329	0	1,184
Lanesboro,	Dea. William S. Royce,	35	30	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	600
Lawrence, L. st.	Charles H. Choate,	334	285	350	117	74	8	8	1,199	120	58	0	50	1,517	1,000	5,200
" South,	Rev. David P. Hatch,	213	176	200	20	30	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	71	0	2,264
" Riverside,	Richard Shiers,	185	130	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	985
" Trinity,	Edward S. Gould,	224	161	197	59	155	22	8	55	36	0	0	402	678	0	4,758
" United,	John Ashton,	160	115	170	86	15	0	0	5	65	0	0	0	85	0	2,954
Lee,	Augustus R. Smith,	213	145	190	114	1,530	82	59	937	257	75	0	2,096	5,036	5,446	3,793
Leicester,	A. S. Conant,	174	53	95	37	274	25	8	282	25	24	17	22	677	1,000	2,333
Lenox,	Thomas S. Morse,	88	69	95	18	54	21	12	62	16	5	1	70	241	0	6,249
Leominster,	R. Lincoln Chandler,	427	245	375	134	266	10	50	205	50	27	0	628	1,236	0	4,488
" North,	Joseph G. Putnam,	126	82	75	65	85	0	17	97	77	1	15	15	307	0	1,700

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Leverett,	1774	Mrs. Ira A. Boynton,	Richard Scoles, *p.*	'80	'99	40	57	97	17	0	0	0	3	5	0	8	0	0
" **Moore's Corner,**	1896	Mrs. J. Maynard,	William S. Anderson, *p.*	'97	'01	16	22	38	6	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	1	0
Lexington,	1868	James P. Prince,	Charles F. Carter, *p. c.*	'83	'96	70	124	194	30	14	5	19	5	0	0	5	7	0
Lincoln,	1747	George L. Chapin,	Edward E. Bradley, *p. c*	'93	'93	29	47	76	29	1	1	2	1	4	0	5	1	3
Littleton,	1840	Miss Abby J. Cutler,	Charles E. Havens, *p. c.*	'81	'01	49	85	134	27	1	7	8	0	2	0	2	1	0
Longmeadow,	1716	Simon B. Parker,	Henry L. Bailey, *p. c.*	'89	'01	50	122	172	30	4	2	6	8	11	1	20	3	3
Lowell, Pawtucket,	1797	Dr. John J. Colton,	William G. Poor, *p.*	'85	'01	55	118	173	20	5	4	9	1	2	2	5	3	3
" 1st,	1826	Dea. Andrew Liddell,				158	402	560	195	14	10	24	6	5	0	11	4	6
" 1st Trinitarian,	1826	Charles T. Upton,	George F. Kenngott, *p. c.*	'89	'92	198	462	660	135	41	7	48	10	5	0	15	24	16
" Eliot,	1830	Reginald L. Haggett,	E. Victor Bigelow, *p. c.*	'91	'01	137	327	464	80	10	8	18	6	2	0	8	7	6
" John st.,	1839	Wm. H. G. Wight,	George H. Johnson, *p. c.*	'77	'92	50	126	176	57	2	3	5	4	5	9	18	1	0
" Kirk st.,	1845	Albert L. Thompson,	George E. Martin, *p. c.*	'79	'02	200	455	655	190	18	19	37	7	7	0	14	2	16
" High st.,	1846	Dea. Francis N. Chase,	Chas. W. Huntington, *p. c.*	'81	'88	71	165	236	50	0	3	3	3	2	0	5	0	2
" *French,*	1877	Dea. Emil Paignon,	Thomas G. A. Coté, *p.*	'71	'95	61	54	115	45	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Highland,	1884	Frank B. Wiggin,	T. Clayton Welles, *p. c.*	'72	'01	82	199	281	50	5	3	8	4	14	7	25	1	0
" *Swed.,*	1885	Dea. Alfred Swanson,	Carl A. Bjornborn, *p.*	'99	'01	22	48	70	6	0	0	0	0	2	13	15	0	1
" *Norwegian,*	1895	Dea. Anton Justad,				6	16	22	5	5	0	5	0	1	0	1	0	3
Ludlow, Center,	1789	Rev. E. D. Francis,	Everett D. Francis, *p. c.*	'95	'95	63	92	155	30	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	0
" Union,	1867	Albert A. Gove,	Thomas D. McLean *p.*	'93	'01	59	98	157	19	9	3	12	1	1	0	2	1	4
Lunenburg,	1835	Edmund S. Francis,	David Wallace, *p.*	'94	'97	25	63	88	19	0	0	0	1	0	5	6	0	0
Lynn, 1st,	1632	J. E. T. Marsh, jr.,	William C. Merrill, *p.*	'84	'96	90	195	285	27	7	15	22	4	8	0	12	2	0
" Central,	1850	William A. Perkins,	Charles F. Weeden, *p. c.*	'88	'01	109	255	364	68	11	29	40	6	1	0	7	10	6
" Chestnut st.,	1860	Walter E. Fairbanks,				38	129	167	54	0	0	0	0	31	0	31	0	0
" North,	1869	W. Fred Haskell,	Arthur J. Covell, *p. c.*	'90	'98	68	164	232	37	6	7	13	2	6	1	9	4	4
" *Scand.,*	1888	Andrew Ridderstrom,	John A. Johnson, *p. c.*	'92	'88	44	64	108	12	7	1	8	0	1	0	1	0	33
Lynnfield, Center,	1720	Dea. George E. Herrick,	William E. Renshaw, *p.*	'84	'01	21	66	87	14	1	8	9	1	0	0	1	0	0
" 2d,	1854	Mrs. Carrie L. Averill,	William E. Renshaw, *p.*	'84	'01	7	25	32		0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0
Malden, 1st,	1649	Tenney Morse,	Henry H. French, *p. c.*	'81	'94	234	495	729	159	23	23	46	11	26	2	39	9	16
" **Maplewood,**	1874	Charles H. Keeler,	Charles S. Macfarland, *p. a*	'97	'00	58	129	187	40	16	13	29	2	5	0	7	9	12
" **Linden,**	1876	John E. W. Doane,	Howard L. Forbet, *p.*	'01	'01	17	61	78	22	1	2	3	2	2	2	6	0	1
" *Scandinavian,*	1897	Frank L. Anderson,	Emil Holmblod, *p.*	'84	'98	11	15	26	0	3	0	3	0	6	0	6	0	8
Manchester,	1716	George F. Allen,	Walter H. Ashley, *p.*	'78	'98	53	111	164	11	2	0	2	7	0	0	7	2	3
Mansfield,	1838	Edward P. Fitts,	William M. Macnair, *p. c.*	'01	'01	92	213	305	39	17	3	20	3	9	3	15	7	1
Marblehead,	1684	Daniel Appleton,	S. Linton Bell, *p. c.*	'77	'84	52	174	226	31	2	4	6	3	2	11	16	0	0
Marion,	1703	Rev. H. L. Brickett,	Harry L. Brickett, *p. c.*	'83	'94	25	68	93	18	2	2	4	1	1	1	3	0	4
Marlboro,	1666	F. L. Claflin,	Lincoln B. Goodrich, *p. c.*	'93	'96	117	265	382	71	8	5	13	6	6	0	12	5	1
" *French,*	1891	Mrs. S. E. Olmstead,	Samuel E. Lord, *p.*	'98	'98	10	21	31	5	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Marshfield, 1st,	1632	Dea. John H. Bourne,	Burton A. Lucas, *p.*	'97	'01	29	60	89	25	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
" **Hills,**	1835	Israel H. Hatch, **No. M.**				9	23	32	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mattapoisett,	1736	L. L. B. Dexter,	Robert Humphrey, *p.*	'83	'00	18	63	81	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Leverett,	**Daniel C. Beaman,**	80	42	95	15	10	0	0	9	13	0	0	71	103	0	506
" Moore's Cor.	**Elmer E. Briggs,**	50	32	51	0	7	0	5	7	0	3	0	2	24	0	624
Lexington,	**James P. Prince,**	180	112	130	44	316	110	70	645	163	26	125	145	1,600	0	4,228
Lincoln,	**Clifford B. Whitney,**	46	31	75	25	346	0	0	343	207	0	0	72	968	0	1,800
Littleton,	George E. Brown,	98	53	68	42	51	34	13	83	30	3	5	0	219	0	1,626
Longmeadow,	William F Emerson,	130	80	136	29	392	65	14	161	51	19	17	44	763	0	2,253
Lowell, Pt.,	Charles A. Richardson,	316	166	180	73	116	0	5	149	77	40	0	139	526	1,651	3,172
" 1st,	Walter T Barstow,	406	182	400	83	119	150	0	76	0	0	0	30	375	0	6,610
" 1st Trin.,	Hector Turnbull,	821	364	600	123	161	29	39	124	59	48	16	130	606	0	6,866
" Elliot,	John P. Wright,	402	196	300	116	142	8	19	383	35	30	20	38	675	0	5,631
" John st.,	William H. G. Wight,	85	56	100	41	97	0	24	147	40	11	0	17	336	0	2,953
" Kirk st.,	Willard Everett,	350	213	400	60	421	202	35	2,696	429	44	15	8,139	11,981	4,167	9,344
" High st.,	Dea. Albert L. Bachel er,	197	133	225	108	206	52	85	173	82	53	0	2,277	2,928	0	4,753
" *French*,	Albert Mertrud	40	25	50	0	0	0	0	37	0	0	0	4	41	0	250
" Highl'd,	Edgar A. Durand,	371	163	245	68	84	15	15	48	35	17	0	220	434	19	3,442
" *Swed.*,	Carl F Pihl,	50	42	23	26	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	50	60	0	970
" *Norwegian*,		0	0	0	0	7	2	0	10	0	0	0	0	19	0	140
Ludlow, Center,	Edwin Davenport,	130	87	60	40	51	19	5	75	23	13	0	0	186	0	900
" Union,	H Berton Payne,	100	80	130	62	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	100	0	1,300
Lunenburg,	Alpheus K. Francis,	106	43	65	19	19	0	0	8	49	3	0	16	95	0	954
Lynn, 1st,	Joseph L. Obear,	167	112	175	100	41	8	10	28	15	7	0	247	356	0	3,809
" Central,	Henry P. Emerson,	1,002	375	350	110	288	33	75	255	114	59	10	1,517	2,351	0	7,205
" Chestnut st.,																
" North,	Francis Haseltine,	316	149	250	74	120	5	12	108	109	15	3	290	662	0	3,646
" *Scand.*,	John A. Lindberg,	75	50	63	50	47	0	17	30	0	0	0	90	180	0	1,358
Lynnfield, Cen.,	George Hatch,	209	50	80	25	101	0	5	39	0	6	0	30	181	0	1,025
" 2d,	John Thomas,	86		78	10	23	0	1	20	0	5	0	3	52	0	320
Malden, 1st,	George W. Reynolds,	m738	438	545	116	623	235	49	733	81	22	32	830	2,605	0	8,677
" Maplewood,	Miss C. W. Montgomery,	m451	238	400	117	56	5	14	67	67	3	0	168	380	0	2,920
" Linden,	Joseph D. Crosby,	160	49	100	34	10	0	0	16	0	6	0	39	71	0	1,625
" *Scand.*,	C. F. Hedberg,	34	26	30	0	0	0	76	60	0	0	0	0	136	0	268
Manchester,	Alfred L. Saben,	139	109	208	105	96	0	18	60	36	11	8	346	575	0	2,549
Mansfield,	William A. Copeland,	376	186	300	164	256	8	15	42	38	25	7	154	545	0	2,277
Marblehead,	John G. Broughton,	335	208	200	104	125	2	6	87	202	4	6	449	881	0	2,980
Marion,	W. C. Roudenbush,	125	64	115	70	87	48	0	100	68	7	0	42	352	0	2,129
Marlboro,	Dea. Elmer D. Howe,	304	181	280	61	236	32	156	270	130	46	42	1,172	2,084	300	4,140
" *French*,	A. B. Davis,	31	18	17	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	185
Marshfield, 1st,	J Fletcher Barnes,	117	52	118	20	40	0	19	26	17	25	0	28	155	0	912
" Hills,	Herbert I. Macomber,	35	21	40	24	8	0	0	17	0	9	0	6	40	0	802
Mattapoisett,	**Thomas L. Ames,**	110	65	100	55	16	8	10	12	101	21	0	0	168	0	1,100

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Maynard,	1852	John W. Flood,	Charles H. Washburn, *p.c.*	'85	'99	49	161	210	75	3	2	5	2	4	1	7	1	8
Medfield,	1828	Dea. Francis S. Wight,	Leroy M. Pierce, *p.*	'70	'97	26	102	128	29	5	9	14	2	3	0	5	2	0
Medford, Mystic,	1847	Nathaniel A. Dyer,	Elijah Horr, *p.*	'67	'00	139	306	445	48	15	4	19	9	6	0	15	4	3
" West,	1872	Henry Newcomb,	Judson V. Clancy, *p. c.*	'87	'96	70	156	226	56	5	6	11	1	11	0	12	2	7
" Union,	1887	Wm. H. Hodgman,	Isaac Pierson, *p. c.*	'70	'95	40	80	120	26	6	7	13	0	11	0	11	2	11
Medway, 2d, West,	1750	Wm. W. Ollendorff,	George R. Hewitt, *p.*	'86	'02	36	86	122	6	0	0	0	1	3	3	7	0	0
" Village,	1838	Wm. N. Hitchcock,	Rufus K. Harlow, *p.c. em.* / Rob't W. Drawbridge, *p.c.*	'68 / '97	'72 / '00	61	130	191	65	2	0	2	3	4	0	7	1	1
Medway, 3d, West,	1886					5	20	25	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Melrose,	1848	Dea. Isaac A. Cockran,	Thomas Sims, *p.*	'75	'97	159	320	479	62	15	9	24	3	12	1	16	6	11
" Highlands,	1875	George W. Basford,	Burke F. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'93	108	255	363	42	20	15	35	4	5	7	16	4	5
Merrimac,	1726	Richard A. Sargent,	James W. Flagg, *p. c.*	'82	'01	138	259	397		1	2	3	6	6	0	12	0	0
Methuen,	1729	Chas. H. T. Mann,	Charles H. Oliphant, *p. c.*	'76	'85	73	181	254	30	7	4	11	4	3	3	10	3	1
Middleboro, 1st,	1694	Dea. A. H. Soule, *a*	George W. Stearns, *p.*	'83	'91	55	101	156	30	4	2	6	2	5	0	7	4	1
" North,	1748	Dea. Percy W. Keith,	Charles L. Tomblen, *p. c.*	'77	'99	35	72	107	25	5	0	5	1	1	1	3	6	0
" Central,	1847	Dea. Henry W. Sears,				109	244	353	46	9	5	14	3	9	0	12	5	1
Middlefield,	1783	Mrs. Harriet E. Smith,	Henry M. Bowden, *p.*	'86	'99	34	51	85	30	7	0	7	1	3	0	4	0	0
Middleton,	1729	Galen B. Howe,	Leslie C. Greeley, *p.*	'98	'98	34	76	110	23	0	3	3	3	0	0	3	0	0
Milford,	1741	Willard S. Wood,				66	192	258	57	3	4	7	8	12	0	20	3	1
Millbury,	1747	Albert G. Hurd,	George A. Putnam, *p. c.*	'60	'71	32	115	147	53	1	0	1	4	4	3	11	0	0
" 2d,	1827	Ira N. Goddard,	George P. Eastman, *p. c.*	'91	'91	43	129	172	52	7	2	9	2	1	0	3	4	0
Millis,	1714	Dea. J. Warren Clark,	Albert H. Wheelock, *p.*	'88	'93	40	88	128	33	24	5	29	1	1	0	2	21	4
Milton,	1678	Oren W. Sears,	Henry S. Huntington, *p.*	'66	'88	33	71	104	0	6	0	6	4	1	0	5	3	4
" East,	1843	Dea. Frank Kemp,	Andrew H. Mulnix, *p. c.*	'98	'99	15	45	60	2	2	3	5	0	2	0	2	2	19
Monson,	1762	Miss H. L. Stiles,	N. Miller Pratt, *p. c.*	'96	'01	92	204	296	43	39	5	44	5	2	1	8	35	0
Montague,	1752	Sanford Marsh,	Ernest W. Eldridge, *p.*	'93	'00	38	87	125	25	5	3	8	10	1	0	11	4	0
" Miller's Falls,	1872	Mrs. F. H. Giles,	Dorr A. Hudson, *p.*	'91	'93	17	51	68	15	10	3	13	1	0	0	1	7	0
" Turner's Falls,	1875	Frank N. Conant,	Frank N. Merriam, *p.*	'92	'97	31	67	98	23	6	1	7	2	2	0	4	0	6
Monterey,	1750	Mrs. Wilbur F. Miner,	John Dooly, *p.*	'72	'98	38	68	106	35	1	0	1	3	5	0	8	1	3
Mt. Washington,	1874	Mrs. Cora E. Schult,				8	18	26	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Nantucket,	1728	Miss Phebe W. Bunker,				10	91	101	0	2	0	2	5	0	0	5	0	0
Natick,	1802	Dea. Chas. H. Jones,	Frederick E. Sturgis, *p. c.*	'68	'84	194	443	637	137	7	5	12	15	17	0	32	6	10
" South,	1859	Mrs. A. M. Blanchard,	Arthur J. Benedict, *p.*	'75	'00	24	40	64	21	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0
Needham,	1857	Joseph Willett,	Frank P. Estabrook, *p.*	'93	'01	69	126	195	38	8	1	9	3	6	0	9	2	0
New Bedford, Acushnet,	1696	Dea. Fred. B. Hawes,				14	42	56	22	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1
" North,	1807	William R. Chase,	John A. MacCall, *p. c.*	'83	'90	146	389	535	70	40	13	27	12	6	0	18	11	8
" Trinitarian,	1831	James C. Briggs,	Matthew C. Julien, *p. c.*	'72	'72	48	157	205	41	11	5	16	5	0	0	5	10	2
New Braintree,	1754	Dea. George R. Tufts,	Francis H. Boynton, *p.*	'64	'95	16	34	50	17	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
Newbury,	1635	Dea. John C. Rolfe,	Charles S. Holton, *p. c.*	'92	'97	35	95	130	10	1	0	1	5	0	0	5	1	0
" Byfield,	1706	Joseph N. Dummer,	David C. Torrey, *p. c.*	'92	'92	40	71	111	37	1	0	1	3	1	0	4	0	0

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CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Maynard,	William H. Gutteridge,	254	154	180	65	61	30	17	56	0	11	39	21	235	0	2,050
Medfield,	Richard E. Cole,	131	53	80	79	60	0	10	46	8	10	0	41	175	0	1,086
Medford, Mystic,	Charles E. Miller,	m490	232	295	118	921	25	72	533	199	85	0	272	2,107	0	5,238
" West,	Fred. H. C. Woolley,	276	124	215	110	178	27	31	183	57	39	10	174	699	0	3,767
" Union,	Percy N. Hodgman,	267	138	140	108	84	12	20	114	21	27	0	13	291	0	1,357
Medway, 2d, W.,	E. L. Williams, Caryville,	114	66	120	0	14	10	8	13	14	2	0	27	88	0	977
" Village,	Charles R. Adams,	120	62	140	28	9	0	20	11	30	15	0	41	126	0	1,425
Medway, 3d, West		*	*	*	0	6	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	23	0	1
Melrose,	Don. E. Curtis,	720	369	450	224	491	58	46	257	98	145	0	302	1,397	0	6,500
" Highlands,	Walter H. Todd,	580	340	280	119	189	15	29	127	39	13	16	711	1,139	0	7,556
Merrimac,	B. Frank Sargent,	283	165	231	43	46	7	0	48	14	6	0	41	162	0	2 413
Methuen,	Frank Remick,	212	114	175	26	166	79	15	147	9	25	20	345	806	0	3,000
Middleboro,	Dea. Augustus H. Soule,	235	99	130	73	129	15	17	77	31	23	5	7	304	0	1,100
" North,	N. W. Keith,	93	48	90	32	101	14	15	92	27	10	0	65	324	0	1,200
" Central,	Alonzo F. Ryder,	336	166	325	108	353	34	37	266	57	22	30	356	1,155	0	3,846
Middlefield,	Wesley A. Olds,	80	40	50	35	8	0	0	0	0	7	0	9	24	0	900
Middleton,	H. Erskine Howe,	137	65	100	83	45	2	4	64	3	1	2	22	143	0	1,085
Milford,	W. B. Whiting,	256	149	300	103	175	38	38	96	48	27	0	642	1,064	0	3,703
Millbury,	Clarence A. Fenner,	85	54	92	50	222	60	28	34	28	4	0	156	532	0	2,021
" 2d,	George F. Chase,	141	84	124	40	333	78	10	119	32	10	0	31	613	0	1,800
Millis,	Dea. Evan F. Richardson,	125	83	150	57	16	6	0	21	10	15	0	103	171	0	2,100
Milton,	H. B. Tucker, Mattapan,	181	115	117	28	147	16	0	30	35	16	0	13	257	3,000	1,439
" East,	Dea. Frank Kemp,	90	64	115	28	23	0	0	35	0	0	0	11	69	0	1,563
Monson,	Alva M. Walker,	283	147	200	171	242	55	60	124	78	45	20	353	977	0	4,450
Montague,	William C. Cummings,	113	67	100	25	55	0	5	38	8	7	0	15	128	0	1,350
" Miller's F'ls,	Mrs. F. H. Giles,	90	65	135	31	15	4	7	7	2	3	0	10	48	0	950
" Turner's F'ls,	C. C. Magoon, Montague City,	162	127	100	46	75	8	10	30	19	0	8	0	150	0	1,900
Monterey,	Dea. M. V. Thompson,	95	55	50	47	58	0	3	11	6	0	0	0	78	300	769
Mt. Washington,	E. E. Green, New Haven, Ct.	16	12	12	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	221
Nantucket,	Mrs. Charlotte Huxford,	94	55	100	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	31	0	1,487
Natick,	Arthur W. Robinson,	486	273		49	393	25	30	595	35	25	10	1,221	2,334	0	8,062
" South,	Gustavus Smith,	65	41	49	28	17	0	3	16	0	0	0	22	58	0	1,151
Needham,	Benjamin W. Rideout,	126	71	100	30	145	0	0	0	0	6	0	10	161	0	1,700
New Bedford,	Daniel W. Kendrick,	60	38	75	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	22	27	0	1,375
" North,	Vinal F. Hatch,	475	219	300	90	1,175	55	19	815	19	59	112	3,348	5,602	0	6,300
" Trin.,	Clifton C. Bartlett,	293	191	300	37	103	15	0	687	17	40	0	2,656	3,518	1,000	5,100
New Braintree,	Dea. Horatio Moore,	50	29	52	33	14	0	0	18	14	10	0	125	181	0	840
Newbury,	William T. Humphreys,	175	109	210	60	106	12	20	117	40	10	0	177	482	0	2,250
" Byfield,	Joseph N. Dummer,	80	47	100		69	6	8	134	12	8	0	15	252	0	1,200

* Included in West Medway, 2d.

CHURCHES. City or Town.	Org.	CLERKS. Name.	MINISTERS. Name.	Ord.	C'd.	MEMBERS. Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	ADMITTED. C.	L.	To.	REMOVED. Di.	L.	Dc.	To.	BAPT. Ad.	Inf.
Newburyport, North,	1768	Joseph B. Smith,	Elmer E. Shoemaker, *p. c.*	'94	'00	103	251	354	57	7	3	10	8	7	28	43	2	5
" Prospect st.,	1793	Charles R. Todd,	Myron O. Patton, *p. c.*	'93	'95	65	188	253		8	0	8	4	0	0	4	2	1
" Belleville,	1808	Charles A. Currier,	Richard Wright, *p. c.*	'90	'01	103	235	338	39	2	1	3	4	6	0	10	0	1
" Whitefield,	1850	Arthur B. Reed,	Frank G. Alger, *p. c.*	'86	'98	72	165	237		4	5	9	3	4	0	7	4	2
New Marlboro, 1st,	1744	Rev. Aaron W. Field,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.a*	'98	'98	12	22	34	6	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Southfield,	1794	Dea. Howard A. Cook,	Edwin C. Gillette, *p.*	'98	'98	16	32	48	9	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
" Mill River,	1871	Dea. E. W. Rhoades,	John B. Lewis, *p.*	'95	'97	20	43	63	6	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	1	2
New Salem,	1845	W. H. Bliss, Millington,	Albert V. House, *p.*	'94	'93	25	38	63	19	4	0	4	1	5	0	6	3	0
Newton 1st, Center,	1664	Ralph F. Alvord,	Edward M. Noyes, *p. c.*	'83	'94	182	285	467	57	13	14	27	6	2	0	8	8	6
" 2d, West,	1781	Frank R. Barker,	Henry J. Patrick, *p.c. em.* Theo. P. Prudden, *p. c.*	'54 '74	'60 '94	104	240	344	60	10	2	12	7	11	0	18	7	4
" Eliot,	1845	Chauncey B. Allen,	William H. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'96	233	415	648	70	10	22	32	7	9	0	16	6	6
" Auburndale,	1850	Henry G. Hildreth,	Charles M. Southgate, *p. c.*	'70	'95	136	260	396	81	7	17	24	4	13	0	17	2	8
" North,	1866	Willard H. Frye,	Henry E. Oxnard, *p.*	'94	'00	50	73	123	39	17	2	19	0	2	0	3	6	5
" Newtonville,	1868	Dea. W. C. Boyden,	Ozora S. Davis, *p. c.*	'96	'00	98	233	331	65	1	3	4	2	10	0	12	1	5
" Highlands,	1872	William B. Wood,	George T. Smart, *p.*	'88	'02	74	169	243	65	7	3	10	2	4	0	6	2	2
Norfolk,	1795	Dea. Lyman E. Ware,	Edson J. Moore, *p.*	'61	'85	16	39	55	15	4	3	7	3	0	0	3	5	4
North Adams,	1827	Dea. George W. Chase,	William L. Tenney, *p. c.*	'88	'95	180	396	576	48	11	3	14	10	5	0	15	2	3
Northampton, 1st,	1661	William G. Bassett,	Henry T. Rose, *p. c.*	'70	'92	112	360	472	40	8	13	21	8	7	0	15	6	6
" Edwards,	1833	Isaac Bridgman,	Peter McMillan, *p. c.*	'81	'99	126	326	452	59	5	13	18	6	14	0	20	3	11
" Florence,	1861	Dea. Geo. C. Kellogg,	Elisha G. Cobb, *p. c. em.* S. Allen Barrett, *p.*	'60 '88	'66 '02	105	253	358	175	8	6	14	4	6	0	10	4	2
North Andover,	1834	Daniel W. Carney,	Henry E. Barnes, *p. c.*	'62	'93	82	161	243	55	18	3	21	4	5	42	51	6	4
North Attleboro, Oldtown,	1712	Miss Mary A. Mathias,	John Whitehill, *p.*	'61	'69	24	45	69	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" A. Falls,	1874	Edwin L. Evans,	Zenas Crowell, *p.*	'77	'00	26	73	99	10	15	4	19	1	2	0	3	8	3
" Trinity,	1892	Dea. D. S. Hall,	Henry C. McComas, *p. c.*	'00	'00	26	74	100	11	9	5	14	2	10	0	12	5	0
Northboro,	1832	Mrs. E. Y. Yates,	Albert D. Smith, *p. c.*	'88	'96	30	75	105	32	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	0
Northbridge Center,	1782		James H. Childs, *p.*	'75	'84	20	50	70	15	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1
" Whitinsville,	1834	William J. Love,	John R. Thurston, *p. c.*	'59	'71	85	178	263	37	8	12	20	7	5	0	12	4	3
" Rockdale,	1879	Harriet A. Robie,	Augustine P. Manwell, *p.*	'00	'00	18	40	58	13	4	5	9	2	1	0	3	0	5
North Brookfield, 1st,	1750	Arthur F. Thompson,				105	237	342	63	6	7	13	10	8	2	20	2	1
" Union,	1854	Mrs. J. F. Stoddard, E.B.	Laird W. Snell, *p. c.*	'00	'00	25	68	93	24	3	4	7	3	5	0	8	0	0
Northfield, East,	1825	Miss Mary T. Dutton,	C. Ingerson Scofield, *p.*	'83	'96	137	290	427	191	17	17	34	3	29	0	32	7	0
North Reading,	1720	Dea. Isaac A. Flint,	John H. Hoffman, *p.*	'77	'01	29	64	93	16	0	3	3	4	0	0	4	0	1
Norton,	1832	Miss Lucy D. Fozer,	Charles A. Ratcliffe, *p.*	'91	'01	15	41	56	12	2	2	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Norwood,	1736	Herbert M. Plimpton,				89	149	238	35	1	3	4	2	9	0	11	0	2
Oakham,	1767	Dea. Jesse Allen,	Allen A. Bronsden, *p. c.*	'97	'97	39	82	121	31	12	1	13	3	2	0	5	10	0
Orange, North,	1843	Rev. John H. Garman,	Rolla G. Hugbee, *p.*	'76	'00	7	15	22	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Central,	1846	Frederic D. Kellogg,	Christopher W. Collier, *p.c.*	'94	'99	111	197	308	45	11	3	14	8	4	0	12	9	0
" *Swedish*,	1889	A. Svenson,	August L. Anderson, *p.*	'86	'00	47	48	95	11	17	0	17	3	1	3	7	0	5

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Newburyport, N.	Louis H. Toppan,	202	114	245	39	156	48	24	145	42	25	6	194	640	0	3,651
" Prospect st.,	C. A. Bliss,	245	101	220	60	129	14	8	361	89	10	8	760	1,379	0	2,400
" Belleville,	George A. Dickey,	453	279	450	122	444	50	48	256	60	16	10	1,503	2,387	0	4,500
" Whitefield,	Samuel J. Hughes,	212	93	200	61	57	3	5	20	59	8	0	500	652	0	2,171
New Marlboro,	Miss Alice L. Field,	30	20	30	18	5	0	0	4	0	4	0	23	36	0	700
" Southfield,	A. W. Chapin,	50	28	30	24	19	3	3	9	4	4	0	18	60	1,975	499
" Mill River,	E. W. Rhoades,	75	37	95	33	28	0	0	10	0	4	0	67	109	0	655
New Salem,	E. L. Adams,	m70	40	85	16	10	0	4	8	6	7	0	0	35	0	2,650
Newton, 1st, Cen.	Frank M. Forbush,	275	190	301	140	2,472	123	240	1,200	297	155	94	815	5,396	0	7,883
" 2d, West,	Charles A. Sanders,	300	194	240	25	1,125	88	32	1,853	134	19	53	3,058	6,360	0	14,473
" Eliot,	Charles A. Haskell,	504	313	350	58	11,502	3,744	1,184	11,696	1,167	374	306	7,573	37,546	0	15,038
" Auburndale,	Frank F. Davidson,	354	294	250	129	2,133	83	158	1,943	300	104	73	357	5,151	0	8,525
" North,	William E. Lowry,	120	77		55	6	0	0	15	0	0	0	5	26	0	2,500
" Newtonville,	Albert D. Auryansen,	255	190	230	82	398	41	77	392	147	25	31	511	1,622	0	9,556
" Highlands,	George H. Mellen,	170	139	180	47	638	50	20	177	101	10	0	113	1,109	0	4,135
Norfolk,	Dea. Edward W. Mann,	83	44	66	50	14	0	0	50	0	0	0	10	74	0	577
North Adams,	Lyman R. Allen,	m475	360	400	50	492	34	50	386	84	4	28	354	1,432	0	7,000
Northampton, 1st	R. F. Armstrong,	207	140	300	50	735	106	113	757	548	0	0	380	2,639	0	6,922
" Edwards,	Charles H. Tucker,	392	265	250	101	850	0	60	506	135	44	0	331	1,926	0	5,714
" Florence	George H. Bliss,	263	153	200	100	76	72	119	259	8	16	0	248	798	0	1,957
North Andover,	William M. McQueston,	260	180	140	100	275	95	125	173	211	0	0	156	1,035	0	2,747
North Attleboro,	Rev. John Whitehill,	123	81	97	37	5	4	2	4	5	4	0	25	49	0	1,300
" A. Falls,	Mrs. F. Gurney,	166	103	122	107	23	3	6	52	11	4	2	6	107	0	2,310
" Trinity,	Rev. H. C. McComas,	m95	58	102	34	35	0	5	18	35	5	0	37	135	0	1,660
Northboro,	Dea. Francis M. Harrington,	104	56	81	23	55	20	22	51	34	21	7	52	262	0	1,630
Northbridge C.,	Irving O. Darling,	61	44	87	50	68	8	0	53	6	12	0	26	173	0	975
" Whitinsville,	Arthur F. Whitin,	415	215	303	155	16,651	1,489	3,141	2,604	2,290	794	608	726	28,303	0	4,190
" Rockdale,	Dea. Benjamin W. Brown,	105	49	55	43	69	3	1	41	9	5	5	42	175	0	1,250
North Brookfield,	George W. Gerry,	290	144	246	80	38	142	10	263	69	20	0	0	542	0	2,500
" Union,	Dea. F. A. Smith,	101	44	130	36	17	30	0	57	18	0	0	73	195	0	1,661
Northfield,	Ambert G. Moody,	463	283	150	56	260	0	25	0	36	0	0	282	603	0	6,130
North Reading,	Arthur F. Upton,	154	92	125	38	12	0	0	0	11	12	0	18	53	0	1,300
Norton,	Arthur E. Sweet,	65	35	90	35	282	14	28	119	103	5	0	0	551	0	1,598
Norwood,	H. Eugene Rice,	257	163	300	45	269	8	26	131	175	20	0	47	676	0	3,063
Oakham,	Dea. H. W. Lincoln,	120	68	125	32	25	0	0	25	10	25	0	50	135	0	804
Orange, North,	Henry N. Frye,	30	20	20	9	4	0	0	8	0	0	0	3	15	0	137
" Central,	Langdon G. Boutelle,	346	199	300	115	411	22	29	174	69	0	0	0	705	0	2,682
" *Swedish*,	John M. Lind,	123	85	40	25	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	77	0	1,837

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Orleans,	1646	Orville W. Crosby,	Everett I. Rackett, *p. c.*	'94	'93	28	97	125	30	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	2	3
Otis,	1779	Mrs. Mary J. Somes,				18	37	55	15	8	0	8	2	0	0	2	8	1
Oxford,	1721	Mrs. J. R. Woodward,	Charles M. Carpenter, *p.*	'90	'01	38	121	159	44	1	8	9	4	0	0	4	0	1
Palmer, **Thorndike,**	1730	Charles F. Smith,				27	49	76	22	0	4	4	1	2	0	3	0	0
" 2d,	1847	Orrin P. Allen,	Fosdick P. Harrison, *p. c.*	'94	'99	83	167	250	46	1	3	4	1	13	0	14	0	3
" **Three Rivers,**	1876	Albert S. Geer,	Charles Olmstead, *p.*	'83	'98	111	121	232	79	11	13	24	0	8	0	8	4	6
Paxton,	1767	William Brown,	George H. Pratt, *p.*	'66	'01	17	62	79	21	4	2	6	2	3	0	5	3	0
Peabody, South,	1713	Peter J. Frye,	George A. Hall, *p. c.*	'86	'86	83	223	306	68	11	8	19	3	2	1	6	8	0
" 2d, **South,**	1874	Miss Mary Tudbury,	Lewis J. Thomas, *p.*	'78	'97	21	60	81	9	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	2
" **West,**	1883	Dea. F. K. McIntire,	Owen E. Hardy, *p.*	'94	'99	13	33	46	13	4	0	4	1	1	0	2	4	0
Pelham,	1837	Mrs. Lucy E. Tillson, *a*	[Andrew Magill,]		'00	4	8	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Packardville, **Enfield,**	'69	D. O. Chickering,	[Andrew Magill,]		'00	9	17	26	12	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Pepperell,	1747	Rolan H. Blood,	J. Brainard Thrall, *p.*	'78	'97	86	174	260	52	0	0	0	9	4	0	13	0	0
Peru,	1770	Dea. Jewett H. Geer,	[Caleb E. Smith, *Lic.*]		'01	15	32	47	17	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petersham,	1823	Dea. Chas. K. Wilder,	Preston R. Crowell, *p.*	'90	'97	6	29	35	3	0	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	0
Phillipston,	1785	Mrs. Lyman B. Smith,	Irving A. Burnap, *p.*	'92	'01	21	30	51	21	1	3	4	4	0	0	4	0	0
Pittsfield, 1st,	1764	Henry A. Brewster,	Wm. V. W. Davis, *p. c.*	'77	'93	169	388	557	75	9	18	27	8	6	0	14	4	5
" 2d,	1846	Miss E. L. Hamilton,	T. Nelson Baker, *p.*	'97	'01	8	15	23	2	2	2	4	1	2	0	3	0	0
" South,	1850	Frank E. Pierson,	I. Chipman Smart, *p. c.*	'85	'85	194	305	499	20	3	5	8	5	5	0	10	0	17
" Pilgrim Mem.,	1897	Levi D. Case,	Raymond Calkins, *p. c.*	'96	'96	59	85	144	8	4	4	8	1	8	0	9	4	7
Plainfield,	1788	Dea. S. W. Clark,				30	50	80	26	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	0	0
Plymouth, Pilgrimage,	1606	Charles F. Cole,	D. Melancthon James, *p.*	'87	'99	96	267	363	36	8	5	13	11	11	0	22	5	6
" **Manomet,**	1738	Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,	Haig Adadourian, *p.*	'97	'97	18	36	54	7	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	1
" **Chiltonville,**	1894	Miss L. B. Nickerson,	Frederick B. Noyes, *p. b*	'90	'97	10	23	33	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plympton,	1698	Miss B. W. Sherman,	Fenton E. Frazee, *p.*	'97	'00	14	50	64	19	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	0
Prescott,	1823	Miss Delia P. Allen,	Joseph Wheelwright, *p.*	'97	'02	9	10	19	5	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Princeton,	1764	Miss Susie A. Davis,	Charles A. White, *p.*	'73	'88	45	118	163	46	0	1	1	4	0	14	18	0	0
Provincetown,	1714	Mrs. Mary N. Lewis,	Sidney Crawford, *p.*	'70	'00	9	34	43	7	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	4
Quincy, Bethany,	1832	Ernest D. Good,	Edwin N. Hardy, *p. c.*	'90	'95	127	237	364		12	5	17	8	8	0	16	3	4
" **Wollaston,**	1876	Alfred W. Thompson,	Edward A. Chase, *p. c.*	'84	'99	51	102	153	16	3	10	13	3	2	0	5	1	0
" Wash. st., **Point,**	1883	Thos. B. Pollard, Q.	Leon H. Austin, *p. c.*	'01	'01	15	42	57	8	3	5	8	0	1	0	1	3	2
" **Atlantic,**	1885	Mrs. Edmund R. Wade,	John H. Whitaker, *p.*	'93	'97	22	50	72	8	2	4	6	2	0	0	2	0	5
" *Swedish,*	1889	Charles W. Samuelson,	G. Waldeman Leufstedt, *p.*	'98	'01	91	57	148	0	6	5	11	1	2	3	6	0	10
" Park and Downs,	1897	N.S.Sanford, **Atlantic,**	Henry G. Megathlin, *p.*	'96	'00	12	20	32	1	1	6	7	0	4	0	4	0	0
" *Finnish,*	1895	Matti Pusjanen,	Karl F. Henrikson, *p.*	'96	'96	44	32	76	7	21	19	40	0	2	8	10	0	10
Randolph,	1731	W. H. Leavitt,	Charles A. Hilton, *p. c.*	'71	'93	44	111	155	27	0	2	2	4	9	0	13	0	0
Raynham,	1731	Edward B. King,	Avery K. Gleason, *p.*	'86	'00	15	33	48	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
" **North,**	1875		Avery K. Gleason, *p.*	'86	'00													
Reading,	1770	Frank W. B. Pratt,	Frank S. Hunnewell, *p. c.*	'88	'98	120	332	452	64	8	10	18	9	15	2	26	6	1
Rehoboth,	1721	Miss Elizab'th B. Pierce,	Charles B. Wathen, *p.*	'83	'96	44	80	124	41	1	0	1	1	0	0	1		0

Packardville, *see* Pelham. Pawtucket, *see* Lowell. Pigeon Cove, *see* Rockport. Rockdale, *see* Northbridge. Roslindale, *see* Boston. Roxbury, *see* Boston.

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Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Orleans,	Dea. F. E. Snow, E.Orleans,	151	65	130	30	26	4	4	21	7	6	4	37	109	0	1,199
Otis,	Miss Lila E. Hugins,	30	16	108	14	9	0	0	10	0	0	0	1	20	0	250
Oxford,	Dea. D. Milton Howe,	130	90	175	29	143	10	10	94	79	7	10	310	663	900	1,800
Palmer, Thorn'e,	Charles A. Tabor,	70	38	75	45	0	8	6	4	3	0	0	26	47	2,000	960
" 2d,	D. L. Bodfish,	275	160	230	61	208	25	25	109	191	25	11	441	1,035	0	2,608
" Three Rivers,	Arthur F. Calkins,	348	145	110	75	43	124	2	381	42	2	0	95	689	0	1,668
Paxton,	Elisha A. Merrill,	40	20	60	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	659
Peabody, South,	J. K. Cole,	292	151		90	565	66	37	469	95	27	25	143	1,427	0	5,493
" 2d,	William T. Wolloff,	110	65	100	20	0	9	7	6	7	4	0	4	37	0	1,060
" West,	Arthur W. Felt,	80	45	100	45	47	0	9	10	8	6	0	3	83	0	728
Pelham,	Andrew Magill,	15	12	12	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	95
" Packardville,	Mrs.D.O.Chickering,Enfield,	50	38	20	15	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	100
Pepperell,	Lyman C. Blood,	254	159	177	83	114	31	29	202	61	13	0	249	699	0	1,941
Peru,	Ward N. Stearns,	38	26	31	32	21	0	0	13	0	0	0	8	42	0	200
Petersham,	George K. Wilder,	45	20	23	20	1,635	0	50	297	35	25	0	70	2,112	0	2,749
Phillipston,	Lyman B. Smith,	53	25	33	27	10	0	0	0	0	6	0	2	18	0	469
Pittsfield, 1st,	Charles W. Power,	377	231	480	75	1,196	87	111	1,778	189	50	88	3,265	6,764	0	7,855
" 2d,	James Jacobs,	42	28	60	33	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	339
" South,	Edwin Tolman,	324	191	150	125	27	16	16	12	16	13	29	271	400	0	4,500
" Pilgrim M.,	Rev. Raymond Calkins,	200	130	150	31	60	1	1	30	2	1	1	50	146	0	1,500
Plainfield,	Dea. J. A. Winslow,	95	37	100	24	39	0	0	8	6	1	0	4	58	0	480
Plymouth,Pilg.,	Rev. D. M. James,	376	267	430	94	104	3	5	211	2	0	0	277	602	0	3,559
" Manomet,	Dea. Gideon H. Clark,	85	35	88	45	8	0	2	23	3	4	0	30	70	0	716
" Chiltonville,	Eugene Finney, Plymouth,	49	31	53	17	27	10	11	50	13	5	5	47	168	0	1,506
Plympton,	Albert H. Dennett,	m88	48	150	48	62	2	0	13	8	2	2	8	97	0	710
Prescott,	W. F. Wendermuth,	25	15	27	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	15	0	428
Princeton,	W.M.Roper,jr., E.Hubbardston	m138	76	130	26	327	75	11	111	86	7	0	58	675	0	1,750
Provincetown,	Dea. James E. Rich,	52	27	50	0	0	0	4	12	0	2	0	0	18	1,250	718
Quincy, Beth.,	E W. Branch,	435	220	425	115	230	56	104	547	63	64	0	889	1,953	0	5,444
" Wollaston,	Charles A. Campbell,	211	112	150	107	85	0	42	43	73	0	0	1,421	1,664	0	3,465
" Wash'gton st.,	Charles H. Sherburn,	135	78	150	31	1	0	0	13	0	0	0	34	48	0	1,522
" Atlantic,	W. I. Blake,	193	116	150	45	5	0	0	10	0	0	0	60	75	0	2,500
" *Swedish*,	Charles Leander,	143	135	75	35	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	400	0	5,893
" Pk. & Downs,	Levi H. Millbury,	164	88	120	0	6	0	4	9	2	7	0	0	28	0	907
" *Finnish*,	Matti Ruhimaki,	33	29	30	32	0	0	0	63	0	0	0	124	187	4,725	4,000
Randolph,	M. Wales Baker,	128	73	100	35	213	39	0	176	99	0	38	167	732	0	3,000
Raynham,	Ira L. Graves,	60	35	70	12	14	8	6	9	9	14	0	13	73	0	600
" North,																
Reading,	Henry C. Parker,	570	321	450	188	432	222	78	308	183	42	42	811	2,118	0	4,929
Rehoboth,	Henry T. Horton,	146	60	100	30	35	8	8	7	7	14	0	0	79	0	1,100

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Revere, 1st,	1828	George A. Dalrymple,	Walter S. Eaton, *p. c.*	'91	'92	69	115	184	52	7½	3	10	3	2	0	5	0	0
" **Beachmont,**	1881																	
Richmond,	1765	A. Granville Sharp,	T. Claire Luce, *p. c.*	'85	'91	39	70	109	8	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Rochester, 1st,	1703	John S. Ryder,	Truman D. Childs, *p.*	'73	'00	13	37	50	15	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
" **North,**	1753	Dea. Geo. H. Randall,	John P. Trowbridge, *p.*	'74	'01	13	16	29	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
" **E., W. Wareham,**	1887	George P. Morse,	Edward J. Ruliffson, *p.*	'01	'99	29	44	73	24	2	2	4	2	3	0	5	0	0
Rockland,	1813	I. S. Smith,	Edgar C. Wheeler, *p.*	'96	'02	92	190	282	60	0	0	0	6	2	1	9	0	0
Rockport, 1st,	1755	Dea. Calvin W. Pool,	Israel Ainsworth, *p. c.*	'80	'91	43	160	203	28	6	1	7	4	3	0	7	4	4
" **Pigeon Cove,**	1874	Mrs. Charles T. Hale,	Arthur H. Pingree, *p.*	'98	'98	14	41	55		4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	10
" *Swedish,* "	1892	John M. Landergren,	Andrew J. Isakson, *p. c.*	'91	'01	14	20	34		3	0	3	1	1	0	2	0	30
Rowley,	1639	Benjamin P. Mighill,	David Fraser, *p. c.*	'95	'98	42	116	158	26	8	0	8	3	1	0	4	5	0
Royalston,	1766	Dea. Frank W. Adams,	Francis J. Fairbanks, *p. c.*	'64	'93	31	65	96	25	0	1	1	5	1	0	6	0	2
" **South,**	1837	Alfred R. Hale,	James A. Bates, *p.*	'60	'98	18	43	61	27	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rutland,	1727	Dea. Wm. C. Temple,	George B. Frost, *p.*	'83	'00	106	121	227	45	35	20	55	2	2	0	4	20	1
Salem, Tabernacle,	1735	Dea. E. L. Woodbury,	DeWitt S. Clark, *p. c.*	'68	'79	81	296	377	36	4	4	8	7	7	0	14	2	9
" South,	1735	Charles H. Hayward,	James F. Brodie, *p. c.*	'82	'89	66	189	255	52	7	13	20	2	9	0	11	2	0
" Crombie st.	1832	Dea. Henry J. Pratt,	John W. Buckham, *p. c.*	'88	'90	48	153	201		3	0	3	6	0	1	7	3	0
Sandisfield,	1756	Mrs. Sarah J. Hawley,	A. Ray Atwood, *p. c.*	'01	'01	8	30	38	21	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0
" **New Boston,**	1874	Mrs. C. H. Callender,	A. Ray Atwood, *p. c.*	'01	'01	13	42	55	16	11	3	14	0	1	0	1	7	0
Sandwich,	1638	Dea. S. R. Bourne,	Fred K. Ellsworth, *p.*	'98	'99	22	75	97	19	0	0	0	8	0	19	27	0	0
Saugus,	1732	Dea. John E. Stocker,	John C. Labaree, *p.*	'63	'93	16	47	63		1	6	7	3	0	0	3	0	0
" **Cliftondale,**	1888	Mrs. A. B. Smith,	[Clifton H. Mix,]		'01	36	107	143	30	10	13	23	2	7	5	14	4	2
Scituate, Center,	1635	Miss Mary F. Perry,	Albert Bryant, *p.* Egypt,	'65	'99	21	56	77	12	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	0
Seekonk,	1888	Mrs. James Knapp,				15	17	32	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sharon,	1741	Alfred S. Sampson,	Almon J. Dyer, *p. c.*	'86	'97	32	97	129	15	1	12	13	7	4	0	11	1	2
Sheffield,	1735	Dea. D. Boardman,				37	90	127	29	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0
Shelburne,	1770	Charles S. Allen,	Joseph A. Goodrich, *p.*	'96	'96	61	118	179	16	6	0	6	3	1	0	4	6	1
" **Falls,**	1850	B. H. Newell,				48	150	198	27	7	1	8	5	0	0	5	5	3
Sherborn,	1685	Mrs. D. P. D. Coolidge,	Edmund Dowse, *p. c.*	'38	'38	23	65	88	20	0	0	0	1	2	9	12	0	1
Shirley,	1828	Rev. Joseph Torrey,	Joseph Torrey, *p.*	'60	'93	21	60	81	12	2	0	2	0	3	0	3	0	2
Shrewsbury,	1723	Charles O. Green,	Arthur H. Sedgwick, *p.*	'90	'00	24	76	100		5	4	9	1	9	0	10	5	0
Shutesbury,	1742	Dea. Nath'l A. Briggs,	[Jason V. Pierce,]		'00	20	30	50	20	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0
Somerset,	1861	Rev. Jas. A. Anderson,	James A. Anderson, *p.*	'89	'99	3	19	22		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Somerville, 1st,	1855	G. A. Southworth,	W. Sherman Thompson, *p. c.*	'91	'00	97	222	319	60	5	6	11	6	10	0	16	1	0
" **Broadway,**	1864	Willard C. Hill,	Horace H. Leavitt, *p. c.*	'73	'94	138	250	288	109	2	4	6	4	9	0	13	1	8
" **West,**	1874	Guy F. Raynes,	Eddy T. Pitts, *p. c.*	'82	'00	107	218	325	148	4	13	17	3	11	0	14	4	2
" Prospect Hill,	1874	John L. Ambrose,	Richard G. Woodbridge, *p. c.*	'81	'02	108	202	310	38	0	5	5	4	9	38	51	0	11
" Winter Hill,	1883	Edwin A. Stone,	Charles L. Noyes, *p. c.*	'81	'83	80	145	225	0	1	5	6	2	8	0	10	3	8
" Highland,	1894	Frank L. Pearson,	George S. Anderson, *p.*	'91	'94	61	123	184	20	14	9	23	2	0	0	2	2	11
Southampton,	1743	Henry L. Parsons,	John Cowan, *p.*	'75	'97	45	96	141		3	0	3	3	2	0	5	0	0

Saundersville, *see* **Grafton.** **Saxonville,** *see* **Framingham.** **Scotland,** *see* **Bridgewater.** **Southfield,** *see* **New Marlboro.**

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Revere, 1st,	Frank P. Morse,	230	100	200	50	5	0	0	20	11	0	0	20	56	0	2,200
" Beachmont,																
Richmond,	A. G. Kiltz,	120	50	68	50	84	0	0	18	3	11	0	40	156	0	1,800
Rochester, 1st,	Dea. George B. Haskell,	50	30	75	31	75	2	7	54	4	9	3	34	188	0	956
" North,	Edward E. Reynolds,	40	24	26	27	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	5	200	425
" East,	Mrs. I. F. Barrows,	80	50	55	50	4	0	0	11	0	8	0	0	23	0	500
Rockland,	Dea. L. D. Perkins,	380	145	260	75	155	10	10	34	50	10	10	50	329	0	3,247
Rockport, 1st,	George M Haskins,	210	116	202	85	56	6	21	70	16	30	0	227	426	0	2,683
" Pig. Cove,	Thomas Whigham,	120	80	100	72	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	15	20	0	600
" *Swedish*,	Peter Johnson,	55	50	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	25	700
Rowley,	Willard P. Smith,	121	65	120	50	74	4	9	68	63	59	0	40	317	0	1,345
Royalston,	Frank W. Adams, M. D.	126	74	95	26	68	0	0	211	18	10	0	70	377	0	1,125
" South,	Alfred Richmond,	67	24	77	17	18	0	0	13	8	0	0	13	52	0	450
Rutland,	F. H. Drury,	m180	96	120	60	75	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	125	0	2,150
Salem, Tab'cle,	Porter D. Brown,	386	287	310	75	796	347	8	915	100	48	26	721	2,961	0	5,425
" South,	Rev. Edward H. Chandler,	285	180	246	75	443	0	25	307	84	7	0	1,522	2,388	0	
" Crombie st.	Arthur F. Smith,	209	87	160	59	189	10	0	96	190	5	0	527	1,017	1,000	3,000
Sandisfield,	Miss Mary S. Hawley,	24	16	40	18	3	0	1	5	0	1	18	0	28	0	175
" New Boston,	John A. Northway,	m45	20	90	34	4	0	10	8	0	0	0	120	142	0	281
Sandwich,	E. S. Talbot,	50	30	50	20	65	0	0	0	10	6	0	3	84	0	0
Saugus,	Dea. John E. Stocker,	151	77	85	32	71	0	0	132	20	27	0	24	274	0	1,392
" Clift'd'e,	Frederick W. Marston,	327	154	190	105	67	0	10	121	78	10	0	0	286	0	2,427
Scituate,	Rev. Albert Bryant, Egypt,	70	35	75	0	42	0	5	14	1	1	0	0	63	50	1,252
Seekonk,	David S. Peck,	65	35	40	26	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	237	
Sharon,	Alfred C. Sa pson,	m232	132	175	60	136	19	21	197	39	19	0	13	444	0	1,561
Sheffield,	Dea. A. L. Wakefield,	70	37	75	45	64	0	0	59	30	0	0	10	163	0	1,350
Shelburne,	Austin L. Peck,	158	97	86	61	238	7	22	97	73	12	5	24	478	0	1,338
" Falls,	C. A. Holbrook,	180	125	161	40	20	11	12	42	20	9	5	0	119	0	1,742
Sherborn,	E. C. Barber,	115	75	100	35	0	0	0	70	5	5	0	50	130	200	
Shirley,	George Black,	80	49	60	62	35	5	7	90	12	12	0	18	179	0	1,107
Shrewsbury,	Herbert Christopher,	140	60	125	59	174	0	0	54	21	0	12	89	350	0	2,200
Shutesbury,	Dea. N. A. Briggs,	30	16	35	13	27	0	0	31	0	0	0	10	68	0	270
Somerset,	Frank A. Morrill,	60	40	40	30	28	3	7	5	3	0	0	0	46	0	624
Somerville, 1st,	Frank R. Nickerson,	404	185	300	86	234	9	5	294	7	9	0	91	649	0	5,342
" Broadway,	Charles W. Coleman,	450	222	300	92	304	14	13	233	19	76	7	260	926	0	5,449
" West,	Lester C. Evans,	235	132	300	52	10	6	17	9	8	7	0	52	109	0	3,538
" Prospect Hill,	William H. Burroughs,	425	246		92	158	31	33	255	48	0	15	379	919	0	5,415
" Winter Hill,	Samuel B. Darling,	270	165	150	50	250	25	43	117	28	25	0	692	1,180	0	5,000
" Highland,	William H. Marshall,	m429	194	300	42	45	0	0	124	12	5	0	129	315	0	3,033
Southampton,	E. K. Parsons,	154	73	92	50	151	8	13	46	100	26	11	52	406	0	1,300

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Southboro,	1831	H. A. McMaster,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'93	18	59	77	29	0	0	0	1	2	2	5	1	1
" **Southville,**	1865	Mrs. J. F. Chickering,	Martin F. Mevis, *p.*	'93	'95	16	26	42	11	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Southbridge,	1801	Rev. W. A. Hadley,	Willis A. Hadley, *p. c.*	'78	'97	90	154	244	64	0	7	7	3	3	0	6	0	0
South Hadley,	1733	Dea. Calvin Preston,	Arthur B. Patten, *p. c.*	'94	'97	73	217	290	66	8	4	12	6	11	2	19	3	4
" **Falls,**	1824	Dea. Arthur N. Chapin,	G. Walter Fiske, *p. c.*	'98	'00	93	205	298	70	27	13	40	4	1	1	6	18	4
Southwick,	1773	Edward M. Gillette,	Lyndon S. Crawford, *p.*	'79	'00	29	54	83	11	3	1	4	0	1	0	1	0	1
Spencer,	1744	Dea. Geo. H. Marsh,				124	268	392	45	8	5	13	4	13	3	20	4	6
Springfield, 1st,	1637	Asher Allen,	Frank L. Goodspeed, *p. c.*	'87	'94	350	778	1128	172	22	41	63	16	23	0	39	3	12
" Olivet,	1833	Dea. J. B. Roberts,	Edwin H. Hadlock, *p. c.*	'93	'99	69	207	276	28	2	4	6	7	9	21	37	2	6
" South,	1842	William A. Lincoln,	Philip S. Moxom, *p. c.*	'71	'94	163	223	486	110	21	11	32	12	10	1	23	4	4
" North,	1846	Ralph P. Alden,	Newton M. Hall, *p. c.*	'91	'99	140	287	427	30	15	16	31	6	15	22	43	6	4
" **Ind. Orchard,**	1848	William Nield,	John C. Handy, *p.*	'96	'01	59	89	148	47	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0
" Hope,	1876	George H. Munroe,	Samuel H. Woodrow, *p. c.*	'88	'98	260	469	729	54	43	53	96	6	22	0	28	14	12
" *French,*	1886	Henri Bellanger,	Thomas S. St. Aubin, *p. c.*	'93	'97	18	19	37	0	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	2
" Eastern av.,	1888	Frederick B. Miller,	Asahel L. Clark, *p.*	'61	'01	43	65	108	30	4	0	4	0	8	0	8	2	1
" Emmanuel,	1888	George Hazell,	George J. Newton, *p. c.*	'97	'01	18	59	77	4	2	6	8	0	8	0	8	0	0
" Park,	1889	John G. Woods,	William A. Bacon, *p.*	'95	'02	66	112	178	22	4	8	12	1	7	0	8	2	2
" St. John's,	1890	Charles Williams,	William N. DeBerry, *p. c.*	'99	'99	37	73	110	10	4	9	13	2	0	2	4	4	1
" *Swedish,*	1891	Fred Anderson,	Gustaf Lindstrom, *p. c.*	'98	'98	26	50	76	3	11	2	13	0	2	4	6	0	9
" Faith,	1894	Enos E. Penny,	D. Butler Pratt, *p. c.*	'89	'00	53	124	177	13	14	9	23	2	6	4	12	6	10
Sterling,	1852	Mrs. C. L. Kingsbury,	Charles B. Toleman, *p.*	'97	'01	15	50	65	6	0	1	1	3	4	0	7	0	1
Stockbridge,	1734	Charles A. Bidwe				70	139	209	27	5	1	6	3	6	16	25	3	6
" **Curtisville,**	1824	Edward L. Heath,	Edward C. Sedgwick, *p.*	'00	'97	30	44	74	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
Stoneham,	1729	Miss J. L. Greenough,	B. Alfred Dumm, *p. c.*	'91	'01	91	199	290	75	4	3	7	3	11	0	14	2	1
Stoughton,	1799	Miss Mattie S. Sawyer,				39	87	126	30	2	1	3	0	4	0	4	0	0
Sturbridge	1736	Dea. John F. Hebard, *a*				25	69	94	28	0	0	0	2	2	3	7	0	0

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Southboro,	Henry A. McMaster,	70	29	75	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	1,150
" Southville,	Frank A. Pearl,	35	17	40	15	0	0	3	5	0	0	0	0	8	0	300
Southbridge,	Alvah L. Hyde,	173	73	150	50	79	0	0	83	0	3	0	12	177	0	3,080
South Hadley,	Charles E. Preston,	311	118	200	70	1,220	13	14	189	174	8	6	867	2,491	0	2,382
" Falls,	Henry E. Judd,	266	175	267	35	671	61	14	158	69	22	0	26	1,021	0	3,147
Southwick,	Mrs. L. S. Crawford,	45	32	76	0	50	8	3	50	10	6	5	11	143	0	900
Spencer,	Victor H. Morse,	340	188	375	115	745	40	85	966	100	25	12	0	1,973	0	5,708
Springfield, 1st,	W. R. Armstrong,	861	407	1,000	135	2,365	2,760	274	3,430	736	187	175	6,840	16,767	0	11,000
" Olivet,	Charles Eninger,	208	99	220	97	165	1	4	101	12	2	2	169	456	0	3,926
" South,	Henry A. King,	232	140	280	50	1,012	99	76	961	985	95	99	1,250	4,577	0	11,301
" North,	T. Elliott Bliss,	302	149	260	136	580	4	15	250	28	5	7	100	989	0	5,200
" Indian Orch.,	Winslow B. Morse,	174	123	84	59	71	0	0	18	0	8	0	26	123	0	1,800
" Hope,	E. H. Cutler,	700	466	685	92	562	132	19	559	84	80	11	3,614	5,061	0	10,838
" *French*,	Rev. T. S. St. Aubin,	12	8	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	443
" Eastern av.,	Leroy Nichols,	180	112	65	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17	0	900
" Emmanuel,	Charles H. Randall,	200	110	200	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,160
" Park,	Charles A. Jacobus,	262	151	175	44	90	30	11	250	71	22	0	69	543	0	3,563
Springfield, St. J.,	Sidney M. Johnson,	80	65	55	112	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	1,000
" *Swedish*,	Miss Mathilda Sahlen,	45	40	50	30	50	0	0	5	0	0	0	45	100	0	1,800
" Faith,	William K. Cooper,	236	149	175	37	61	8	5	36	20	0	5	115	250	0	4,210
Sterling,	Miss Margery Brigham,	50	34	45	63	13	0	5	60	0	5	0	58	141	0	893
Stockbridge,	Clarence Perry,	72	43	90	36	199	17	15	114	69	11	18	106	549	0	2,325
" Curtisville,	Douglas H. Newton,	84	46	40	0	52	4	7	67	7	8	7	96	248	0	808
Stoneham,	James W. MacDonald,	336	142	300	131	213	11	15	239	59	44	0	0	581	0	2,860
Stoughton,	Ellery P. Clapp,	247	125	200	81	53	0	9	10	52	6	3	74	207	0	1,687
Sturbridge,	Charles W. Bradford,	80	51	85	27	68	11	9	45	24	9	0	30	196	0	1,100
Sudbury,	L. F. Richardson,	85	58	35	25	53	9	15	50	56	7	2	23	215	0	1,881
Sunderland,	Andrew C. Warner,	165	123	113	64	157	39	41	340	97	48	0	41	763	0	1,581
Sutton,	Dea. Dexter A. Brigham,	167	63	146	21	15	12	13	65	18	46	0	46	215	1,000	1,300
Swampscott,	Harold Childs,	183	106	216	57	174	17	11	236	35	13	4	57	547	0	2,572
Taunton, West,	Rev. A. L. Bean,	m65	33	50	25	0	4	4	0	9	6	0	0	23	25	750
" Trin.,	Albert King,	317	155	275	35	373	64	38	222	169	28	0	2,506	3,400	0	5,805
" Winslow,	Dea. Joseph H. Hastings,	430	220	250	104	199	10	30	50	26	26	9	152	502	500	12,000
" East,	James W. Richmond,	m90	42	82	0	25	3	2	14	7	13	2	20	86	0	1,117
" Union,	William F. Rose,	253	145	200	72	105	18	15	160	55	28	1	4,110	4,492	0	2,296
Templeton,	Dea. J. O. Winch,	74	36	50	36	8	0	0	12	12	7	0	30	69	0	1,200
" Baldwinville,	Isaac C. Given,	m271	168	115	60	50	0	0	90	0	25	0	250	415	0	1,400
Tewksbury,	Irving M. Locke,	140	69	120	34	5	0	1	0	8	0	0	89	103	0	2,179
Tolland,	Oliver E. Slocum, jr.,	30	16	17	0	0	0	0	21	0	6	15	0	42	0	274
Topsfield,	Albert M. Dodge,	49	37		50	17	5	0	0	16	0	0	0	38	0	

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Townsend,	1734	Mrs. A. C. Josselyn,	Benjamin A. Willmott, *p.*	'96	'00	38	125	163	33	6	6	12	8	3	0	11	3	3
Truro,	1711	Dea. Daniel E. Paine,	George O. Thompson, *p.*	'89	'99	10	20	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" North,	1840		[John J. Bushnell, *Meth.*]		'00	0	6	6	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	3
Tyngsboro,	1868	Mrs. Sarah Swallow,	Sarah A. Dixon, *p.*	'97	'97	23	49	72	18	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0
Upton,	1735	Olive M. Johnson,	Alexander Wiswall, *p. c.*	'79	'92	58	158	216	42	3	5	8	3	5	0	8	1	3
Uxbridge,	1730	William L. Johnson,	Frank L. Bristol, *p. c.*	'75	'88	30	102	132	21	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	1
Wakefield,	1644	Dea. John W. White,	Albert P. Davis, *p. c.*	'94	'94	148	309	457	87	4	5	9	8	6	0	14	4	3
Walpole,	1826	S. E. Bentley,	John L. Keedy, *p. c.*	'94	'00	67	142	209	27	16	11	27	2	1	7	10	6	5
" East,	1877	Miss Sara E. Pettee,				4	27	31	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	5
Waltham,	1820	J. Winfield Pugh,	Charles E. Harrington, *p. c.*	'74	'94	162	377	539	98	10	3	13	5	6	0	11	1	7
" *Swedish*,	1892	Carl W. Lundgren,	Carl A. Lundgren, *p.*	'93	'96	15	46	61	6	4	0	4	1	2	7	10	0	6
Ware, 1st,	1751	Miss M. R. Howard,	Edward L. Chute, *p.*	'80	'96	16	52	68	10	1	4	5	4	2	0	6	1	0
" East,	1826	Henry K. Hyde,	Austin B. Bassett, *p. c.*	'87	'91	134	312	446	0	8	8	16	6	8	0	14	4	6
" *French*,	1888																	
Wareham,	1739	Miss Harriet E. Smith,	Wendell P. Elkins, *p.*	'94	'01	21	51	72	20	1	7	8	0	0	1	1	0	0
Warren, 1st,	1743	E. F. Wood,	William B. Oleson, *p. c.*	'77	'98	104	186	290	82	11	5	16	7	6	0	13	0	0
Warwick,	1829	Dea. E. C. Chase,	William Harris, *p.*	'76	'99	17	25	42	23	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0
Watertown,	1855	Edwin Stockin,	Edward C. Porter, *p. c.*	'84	'89	102	229	331	65	6	15	21	8	7	0	15	3	9
Wayland,	1828	F. H. Fowler,	Arden M. Rockwood, *p.*	'99	'01	15	33	48	18	0	4	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Webster,	1838	Mrs. W. H. Anderson,	Andrew Campbell, *p.*	'90	'99	70	156	226	50	7	8	15	2	5	0	7	2	4
Wellesley,	1798	Charles E. Fuller,	William W. Sleeper, *p.*	'82	'02	92	200	292	79	11	4	15	5	5	1	11	3	3
" Hills,	1847	William T. Wallace,	Parris T. Farwell, *p. c.*	'83	'95	42	89	131	16	0	5	5	3	2	1	6	0	2
Wellfleet,	1723	Dea. Thomas Kemp,	[Richard Knowles, *Lic.*]		'01	38	97	135	47	1	3	4	6	1	6	13	0	0
" South,	1833	Winslow Paine,				13	31	44	11	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0
Wendell,	1744	Mrs. Ellen L. Baker,	Edward P. Seymour, *p.*	'92	'96	16	24	40	8	0	4	4	0	2	0	2	0	0
Wenham,	1644	Benjamin H. Conant,	Morris H. Turk, *p.*	'98	'98	21	53	74	21	3	0	3	3	1	0	4	2	2
Westboro,	1724	William A. Sanford,	John J. Walker, *p. c.*	'94	'01	115	224	239	84	11	2	13	11	5	0	16	5	9
West Boylston,	1796	Dea. E. B. Rice, Greendale,	John E. Dodge, *p.*	'83	'01	32	59	91	33	0	10	10	3	3	0	6	0	1
West Brookfield,	1717		J. Howard Gaylord, *p. c.*	'99	'99	48	130	178	38	5	1	6	12	2	3	17	2	4
Westfield, 1st,	1679	Rev. J. H. Lockwood,	John H. Lockwood, *p. c.*	'71	'79	108	343	451	50	12	9	21	9	3	0	12	10	9
" 2d,	1856	J. F. Fairman,	William C. Gordon, *p. c.*	'89	'99	127	307	434	98	17	34	51	10	10	0	20	9	17
Westford,	1828	Leonard W. Wheeler,	Elijah H. Roper, *p.*	'97	'97	16	57	73	20	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	5
Westhampton,	1779	Dea. F. D. Bridgman,	W. Stanley Post, *p.*	'93	'00	90	121	211	35	16	3	19	6	0	0	6	4	11
Westminster,	1742	James B. Wood,	John W. Lees, *p.*	'70	'95	48	109	157	0	0	3	3	2	2	0	4	0	0
West Newbury, 1st,	1698	Granville S. Goodrich,	John Graham, *p.*	'90	'01	34	71	105	7	0	0	0	1	0	3	4	0	0
" 2d,	1731	Miss Emily A. Bailey,	[George Martin, *Meth.*]		'99	16	89	105	24	3	2	5	3	2	1	6	3	0
Weston,	1891	Mrs. Ella J. Fuller,																
Westport,	1858	Mrs. Susan E. Gammons,	George P. Byington, *p.*	'68	'99	11	31	42	14	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
West Springfield,	1698	Dea. J. M. Smith,	George W. Love, *p.*	'90	'00	40	84	124	28	9	5	14	2	4	0	6	2	3
" Mittineague,	1850	Eugene H. Shepherd,	Alpheus M. Spangler, *p. c.*	'88	'88	88	145	233	74	6	4	10	2	1	1	4	6	1

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Townsend,	A. S. Howard	190	87	150	95	43	9	15	48	19	11	0	9	154	0	1,300
Truro,	John B. Dyer,	50	30	30	0	5	0	0	10	5	0	0	3	23	0	350
" North,	Mrs. Sarah F. Smith,	66	37	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	840
Tyngsboro,	Mrs. M. L. Blanchard,	146	59	125	44	17	0	5	6	0	7	0	25	60	0	1,230
Upton,	Appleton P. Williams,	258	130	200	55	75	6	3	26	29	7	2	142	290	0	1,250
Uxbridge,	Augustus Story,	236	142	174	70	11	65	19	46	20	28	8	28	225	0	1,690
Wakefield,	Augustus D. Dimick,	480	261	350	119	386	108	63	202	146	43	0	386	1,334	0	5,360
Walpole,	Gilman F. Allen,	200	118	180	76	100	12	6	388	35	21	0	0	562	0	1,900
" East,	J. Lewis Boyden,	125	61	110	30	24	0	0	19	4	18	0	0	65	0	599
Waltham,	Adolph S. Batchelder,	509	262	304	86	270	74	40	320	172	19	22	582	1,499	0	6,141
" *Swedish*,	Victor Landström,	50	40	20	25	0	0	5	8	0	0	0	38	51	0	520
Ware, 1st,	Rev. E. L. Chute,	105	46	60	33	24	2	5	52	11	9	0	23	126	0	600
" East,	James V. Anthony,	372	270	325	135	1,180	88	52	698	201	50	0	749	3,018	0	7,150
" *French*,																
Wareham,	John M. Freeman, jr.,	93	68	100	42	22	8	10	14	15	5	0	16	90	0	1,068
Warren, 1st,	W. E. Patrick,	206	127	195	54	239	39	51	428	126	29	0	292	1,204	0	
Warwick,	Albert G. Witherell,	55	35	38	24	0	0	0	10	0	3	0	0	13	0	420
Watertown,	Orlando W. Dimick,	226	125	176	60	501	0	0	316	136	0	0	632	1,585	0	5,638
Wayland,	William S. Lovell,	46	25	50	20	0	0	0	0	6	5	0	5	16	0	570
Webster,	Ralph T. Larchar,	185	141	200	20	135	77	22	266	90	11	50	146	797	0	2,700
Wellesley,	William L. Russell, jr.,	175	116	230	64	439	10	21	118	232	23	0	180	1,023	1,000	4,637
" Hills,	T. Wallace Travis,	94	70	151	40	1,645	17	9	80	370	14	0	69	2,204	0	2,353
Wellfleet,	Dea. Frederick W. Snow,	85	47	50	35	10	0	0	5	0	0	3	30	48	0	1,230
" South,	Miss Nettie S. Paine,	25	14	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	6	10	0	275
Wendell,	G. A. Fleming,	50	36	60	29	6	1	1	12	3	9	0	5	37	0	610
Wenham,	Frederick F. Abbott,	131	68	165	67	23	6	10	44	8	4	7	23	125	0	1,057
Westboro,	Rev. S. I. Briant,	364	170	278	42	56	30	34	54	231	22	0	256	683	0	3,400
West Boylston,	Herbert A. Holmes,	65	36	85	30	61	3	3	117	24	13	2	94	317	0	1,050
West Brookfield,	Miss Crowell,	139	74	190	53	127	13	9	299	215	26	0	225	914	0	1,900
Westfield, 1st,	Charles B. Wilson,	392	285	375	60	859	118	25	706	53	50	25	3,876	5,712	0	7,170
" 2d,	Clarence A. Brodeur,	274	191	410	100	62	10	15	268	27	13	20	172	587	0	5,210
Westford,	Houghton G. Osgood,	62	55	70	43	108	0	7	24	7	7	0	0	153	0	1,030
Westhampton,	Henry M. Clapp,	214	108	89	37	53	40	11	50	58	16	6	225	459	0	1,250
Westminster,	Fred W. Mossman,	100	75	100	70	78	0	10	134	25	0	0	150	397	0	1,500
W. Newbury, 1st,	Anna L. Rogers,	105	64	80	75	14	5	6	24	10	28	0	34	121	0	500
" 2d,	Henry Hall,	182	88	186	50	6	0	0	28	0	0	0	20	54	0	1,014
Weston,																
Westport,	Mrs. J. B. Parris,	97	55	90	22	46	0	0	62	31	14	0	5	158	0	1,022
W. Springfield,	Harry L. Brown,	161	128	120	53	70	18	12	39	60	11	0	15	225	0	2,500
" Mittineague,	Edwin Smith,	190	136	115	0	82	48	22	84	36	8	21	50	351	0	2,300

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City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
West Springfield, Park st.,	'71	Ethan Brooks,	[Wm. H. Webb, *Presb.*] *p.*	'61	'98	49	123	172	14	7	1	8	2	5	1	8	0	3
West Stockbridge, Center,	1789	Mrs. H. A. Roberts,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'90	4	13	17	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" Village,	1833	Cyrus W. Sprague,	Walter W. Curtis, *p.*	'72	'83	25	69	94	26	0	4	4	2	2	0	4	0	0
West Tisbury,	1673	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	Royal C. Moodie, *p.*	'81	'99	32	76	108	20	1	2	3	1	1	0	2	1	0
Westwood, **Islington,**	1878	M. L. Haye, **Ellis,**	Warren F. Bickford, *p.*	'76	'91	4	18	22	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Weymouth, 1st, **Heights,**	1623	Miss Elijah J. Pratt,	Ralph J. Haughton, *p.*	'91	'01	20	52	72	19	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0
" Old South, **South,**	1723	Alfred O. Crawford,	Henry C. Alvord, *p. c.*	'79	'86	30	99	129	24	6	4	10	1	4	0	5	6	0
" and Braintree, **East B.,**	'11	Miss J. Macgregor, **E.B.**	Robert H. Cochrane, *p.*	'99	'01	30	121	151	30	2	2	4	3	1	0	4	1	0
" Union, **South,**	1842	Samuel A. Vining,	Frank E. Butler, *p.*	'87	'96	45	122	167	44	3	2	5	1	2	0	3	3	0
" Pilgrim, **North,**	1852	Miss Emily B. Ponlin,	Thomas H. Vincent, *p.*	'89	'97	43	89	132	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0
" **East,**	1860	T. H. Emerson, **Wey'th,**				91	149	240		8	4	12	7	7	0	14	0	0
Whately,	1771	Charles H. Waite,	William N. T. Dean, *p.*	'75	'00	52	87	139	48	7	1	8	1	5	0	6	6	1
Whitman,	1807	Benjamin F. Peterson,	Edward C. Camp, *p. c.*	'94	'99	77	191	268	50	14	1	15	5	1	1	7	5	2
Wilbraham,	1741	Albert A. Phelps,	Martin S. Howard, *p. c.*	'56	'68	43	69	112	35	1	0	1	5	2	0	7	1	0
" **North,**	1886	Edwin W. Wall,	Vernon H. Deming, *p. c.*	'98	'00	21	48	69	20	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	1	2
Williamsburg,	1771	Dea. Henry W. Hill,	John Pierpont, *p. c.*	'88	'97	56	128	184	38	5	3	8	3	9	0	12	3	2
" **Haydenville,**	1851	Percy J. Thatcher,	Sanford S. Martyn, *p.*	'68	'00	43	100	143	27	13	4	17	4	2	0	6	9	0
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	Carlton G. Smith,	Willis H. Butler, *p. c.*	'98	'98	60	165	225	45	5	3	8	6	6	2	14	2	10
" College,	1834	O. M. Fernald,				10	9	19	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
" **South,**	1836	Miss Kate L. Torrey,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*]		'00	14	35	49	13	0	0	0	1	0	4	5	0	0
" White Oaks,	1868	Mrs. Mary R. Hunter,	[Garrett V. Stryker, *Lic.*]		'96	27	67	94	20	2	0	2	1	2	0	3	1	0
Wilmington,	1733	Chester W. Clark,	Walter H. Rollins, *p. c.*	'98	'00	40	81	121	6	17	10	27	1	1	0	2	7	1
Winchendon, 1st,	1762	Mrs. Lizzie E. Jones,	Gustavus W. Jones, *p. c.*	'69	'90	23	30	53	16	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
" North,	1843	Amos S. Lamb,	Charles C. Merrill, *p.*	'97	'02	66	157	223	40	0	4	4	7	6	0	13	0	2
Winchester,	1840	Rev. Edwin B. Palmer,	D. Augustine Newton, *p. c.*	'82	'89	194	352	546	84	23	12	35	11	7	1	19	11	7
Windsor,	1773	Curtis B. Goodell,				14	23	37	7	2	0	2	3	0	1	4	2	0
Winthrop,	1896	Alexander Kirk,	James J. Goodacre, *p. c.*	'97	'00	18	52	70		5	6	11	1	0	0	1	0	1
Woburn, 1st,	1642	Dea. Oliver F. Bryant,	Daniel March, *p. c., em.*	'45	'76	160	405	565	49	58	7	65	10	22	11	43	22	9
" **North,**	1849	Josiah P. Bixby,	George H. Tilton, *p. c.*	'73	'96	47	99	146	27	8	5	13	2	0	1	3	0	4
" *Scandinavian,*	1884	Oscar Peterson,	August J. Lindquist, *p.*	'99	'01	31	52	83	0	7	0	7	1	5	2	8	0	4
" **Montvale,**	1892	Herbert A. Warren,	Wolcott Calkins, *p.*	'62	'98	13	18	31	5	3	0	3	0	2	2	4	2	3
Worcester, 1st,	1719	Walter A. Morrill,	Arcturus Z. Conrad, *p. c.*	'85	'90	368	755	1123	120	57	61	118	13	19	0	32	35	11
" Central,	1820	William H. Sanford,	Daniel Merriman, *p.c.em.* / Albert W. Hitchcock, *p.c.*	'68 / '91	'78 / '00	134	281	415	30	14	14	28	5	10	0	15	6	3
" Union,	1836	Elmer G. Tucker,				228	515	743	150	2	5	7	18	21	0	39	1	1
" Summer st.,	1865	Robert A. Stewart,	Orange C. Bailey, *p.*	'85	'94	42	63	105	5	2	6	8	1	2	0	3	3	
" Plymouth,	1869	Frank E. Stimpson,	Samuel H. Virgin, *p.*	'68	'00	267	479	746	0	21	13	34	15	17	0	32	10	5
" Piedmont,	1872	E. Walter Smith,	Willard Scott, *p. c.*	'79	'98	276	524	800	120	20	26	46	7	7	2	16	13	14
" *Swedish,* 1st,	1880	Gustav Erickson,	[John A. Hultman, *M. C.*]	'00	'00	178	224	402	0	41	0	41	4	3	2	9	0	0
" Pilgrim,	1885	O. R. Cook,	Alexander Lewis, *p. c.*	'90	'96	234	492	726	53	45	23	68	11	14	4	29	25	6

Whitinsville, *see* Northbridges. Wollaston, *see* Quincy. Woods Holl, *see* Falmouth.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
W.Spr'd Park st.,	Nelson Sherburne,	86	63	125	53	219	13	10	171	117	6	0	16	552	0	2,733
W. Stockbridge,	Mrs.N.S.Patterson,State Line,	25	15	24	0	4	0	1	5	0	2	0	0	12	0	251
" Village,	Frederick C. Tobey,	83	48	75	56	69	3	13	15	15	11	1	7	134	0	981
West Tisbury,	Ulysses E. Mayhew,	70	40	57	40	17	7	4	27	4	4	7	40	110	0	904
Westwood,	Rev. W. F. Bickford,	50	28	33	21	13	0	8	10	5	0	0	5	41	0	480
Weymouth, 1st,	Miss Louise E. Humphrey,	85	52	70	0	100	0	0	0	0	6	0	33	139	0	1,700
" Old South,	Alfred O. Crawford,	213	134	164	29	142	9	10	56	38	10	10	200	475	0	2,000
" and Braint'e	Edgar H. Bowles, E. B.,	140	91	200	87	51	0	0	0	75	0	0	30	156	0	2,767
" Un., South,	Samuel A. Vining,	173	95	160	35	246	24	0	31	32	28	0	0	361	0	3,100
" Pilgrim,	Charles L. Seabury,	100	63	100	25	87	0	0	27	0	6	0	19	139	0	2,745
" East,	Charles A. Randall,	225	125	230	98	127	10	15	25	10	10	0	168	365	0	2,455
Whately,	H. S. Higgins, E. W.	100	60	93	38	130	0	0	232	42	0	0	90	494	0	1,000
Whitman,	I. Lewis Tillson,	m494	205	331	76	59	5	23	98	32	27	3	105	352	0	3,849
Wilbraham,	Ethelbert Bliss,	89	80	75	15	36	0	12	31	10	0	0	26	115	0	1,314
" North,	Fred E. Demond,	85	32	55	36	62	3	3	17	6	12	6	100	209	619	1,034
Williamsburg,	Frank C. Richards,	m128	67	100	34	237	56	11	108	62	34	8	51	567	0	1,707
" Haydenville,	Herbert L. Longley,	148	85	124	43	107	8	10	27	9	13	5	17	196	0	2,412
Williamsto'n, 1st,	Rev. Willis H. Butler,	103	81	125	0	612	53	53	365	106	4	0	66	1,259	0	3,579
" College,		0	0	0	0	282	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	282	0	0
" South,	Le Roy B. Smith,	90	50	90	33	8	0	0	16	0	3	0	1	28	0	244
" White Oaks,	Rev. William R. Stocking,	95	75	127	75	53	0	0	18	0	6	0	14	91	0	207
Wilmington,	William A. Rogers,	202	114	175	70	67	4	15	24	24	51	0	50	235	0	1,450
Winchendon, 1st,	James E. Teel,	86	52	47	27	48	3	3	21	23	3	0	5	106	0	450
" North,	Charles L. Beals,	213	111	95	70	341	7	20	92	60	10	25	80	635	1,000	2,200
Winchester,	A. S. F. Kirby,	460	219	396	78	2,871	268	261	1,238	657	181	26	1,969	7,471	11,716	7,228
Windsor,	Curtis B. Goodell,	55	30	80	44	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	178
Winthrop,	Mrs. J. L. Larrabee,	180	100	160	0	15	0	2	0	0	0	0	81	98	0	2,417
Woburn, 1st,	Dea. John R. Carter,	577	320	528	65	1,073	61	110	711	164	66	14	605	2,804	0	6,968
" North,	Dea. Benjamin F. Kimball,	246	145	116	97	51	6	8	57	25	13	0	15	175	0	2,087
" *Scand.*,	Edward Johnson,	123	97	38	44	7	1	8	12	2	2	0	31	63	0	1,132
" Montvale,	Dea. William H. Huber,	76	47	32	50	3	1	1	29	1	1	0	10	46	0	882
Worcester, 1st,	Wallace A. Corey,	800	454	840	170	355	91	153	1,263	110	52	71	737	2,832	413	21,579
" Central,	D. M. Wheeler,	413	222	400	70	1,563	113	63	1,542	155	44	1	784	4,265	25	8,350
" Union,	Charles E. Burbank,	431	240	425	51	918	152	74	2,180	216	207	53	787	4,587	0	15,256
" Summer st.,	William B. Oakley,	150	66	70	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Plymouth,	Arthur R. Taft,	451	244	500	75	7,238	4,069	768	5,156	143	24	0	2,685	20,083	0	12,785
" Piedmont,	Elmer C. Potter,	702	315	650	216	2,656	2,487	917	1,312	209	485	61	6,402	14,529	0	22,979
" *Swed.*, 1st,	Victor J. Johnson,	m525	380		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" Pilgrim,	C. W. Dodge,	654	399	600	180	155	252	65	1,412	63	10	0	216	2,173	0	19,196

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Worcester, Park,	1887	Charles M. Smith,	Inman L. Willcox, *p. c.*	'89	'91	68	157	225	39	2	5	7	5	5	0	10	1	2
" Covenant,	1889	Miss Emogene Dewey,	Lyman Mevis, *p.*	'91	'00	27	63	90	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	4
" Hope,	1889	Robert Hamill,	Ellsworth W. Phillips, *p. c.*	'91	'91	78	151	229	30	9	0	9	1	9	4	14	4	23
" Lake View,	1890	Mrs. C. F. Baker,	John H. Matthews, *p.*	'91	'97	26	54	80	23	9	2	11	0	2	0	2	8	0
" Bethany,	1891	Louis A. Spaulding,	Albert G. Todd, *p.*	'90	'93	33	85	118	26	1	3	4	0	4	0	4	0	1
" *Armenian*,	1892	K. M. Shooshaman,	Hachadoor Benneyan, *p.*	'01	'96	35	32	67	6	15	13	28	0	0	0	0	0	15
" Immanuel,	1893	Dea. Chas. H. Putnam,	George S. Dodge, *p. c.*	'72	'93	54	79	133	48	5	1	6	0	3	0	3	1	3
" *Swedish*, 2d,	1895	P. J. Johnson,	Ludwig Akeson, *p.*	'95	'01	75	100	175	0	11	0	11	6	4	8	18	0	0
" Adams Sq.,	1898	Charles S. Robbins,	J Addison Seibert, *p.*	'94	'01	50	92	142	4	14	14	28	2	2	0	4	7	2
Worthington,	1771	Miss Estelle Cole,	Melvin J. Allen, *p.*	'82	'99	39	92	131	36	4	3	7	2	5	1	8	3	0
Wrentham,	1692	N. H. Fales, Pondville,	William J. Minchin, *p.*	'96	'99	43	117	160	32	3	1	4	4	0	1	5	2	0
Yarmouth,	1639	A. H. Eldridge, Y.P.				25	95	120	22	0	0	0	6	3	0	9	0	3
" West,	1840	Miss Abbie B. Crowell,				7	11	18	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

NAME OF STATE ORGANIZATION: THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF MASSACHUSETTS.
NAMES OF CHURCHES ADDED: Quincy, *Finnish;* Malden, *Scandinavian.*
NAMES OF CHURCHES CHANGED: None.
NAMES OF CHURCHES DROPPED: None.

CHURCHES: *Supplied by,* — pastors by council, 265; pastors otherwise, 267; licentiates, 8; supplies, 1; vacant, 60. Total, 603.
MINISTERS: Pastors by council, 270; pastors otherwise, 264; supplying churches, 1. Total, 535. Without charge, 392. Total, 927.
FAMILIES: 91,693.
SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 119,637; average attendance, 68,272.

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				Y.P.S.	BENEVOLENCE.									Legacies.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Fam.	Members.	Foreign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Worcester, Park,	Charles M. Smith,	275	165	250	115	50	5	5	85	15	5	10	45	220	0	4,000
" Covenant,	Rev. Lyman Mevis,	150	83	150	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	25	0	1,425
" Hope,	Ernest R. Maylott,	331	223	225	115	119	10	36	139	12	17	0	118	451	0	2,287
" LakeView,	Rev. John H. Matthews,	150	85	100	90	42	0	0	20	13	0	0	5	80	0	1,419
" Bethany,	Mrs. Albert G. Todd,	170	89	100	45	18	0	0	128	0	0	0	0	146	0	1,581
" *Armenian*,	Hagop Barakian,	35	30	65	25	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	90	0	2,500
" Immanuel,	Edwin Batty,	160	112	165	55	50	0	0	40	10	11	0	8	119	0	1,700
" *Swed.*, 2d,	Carl Norgren,	270	200		35	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	64	0	2,803
" Adams Sq.,	Eugene Van De Mark,	231	133	200	104	25	10	5	130	72	0	5	60	307	0	4,300
Worthington,	Milo Bates, Ringville,	130	60	100	45	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	700	725
Wrentham,	Horace J. Blake,	165	76	200	80	74	0	7	41	30	8	7	118	285	0	3,400
Yarmouth,	Miss Ruth Hall,	62	43	140	16	38	14	10	243	20	10	0	48	383	0	1,464
" West,	Isaiah Crowell,	28	18	25	0											

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Societies, 535; members, 33,419.
MEMBERSHIP: No. of males, 35,802; No. of females, 78,243. Total, 114,045. Absent, 19,231. *Additions*, — on confession, 3,589; by letter, 2,728. Total, 6,317. *Removals*, — death, 1,978; dismission, 2,345; revision, 869. Total, 5,192.
BAPTISMS: Adults, 1,579; infants, 1,874.
CONTRIBUTIONS: No. of churches contributing, 588; Foreign Missions, $174,599; Education, $57,788; Church Building, $28,309; Home Missions, $157,982; American Missionary Association, $36,447; Sunday Schools, $13,250; Ministerial Aid, $4,778; Other, $248,620. Total, $721,773. Legacies, $77,574.
HOME EXPENSES: No. of churches reporting, 581; amount, $1,614,247.
GAINS: Churches, 2; Members, 1,125; Benevolence, $47,828.
LOSS: Sunday Schools, attendance, 649; Home Expenses, $96,773.

TABLES OF SUMMARIES: I. CHURCH STATISTICS

CONFERENCES.		CHURCHES.					MEMBERS.				ADMISSIONS.			REMOVALS.				BAPTISMS.	
Name.	Date of Organization.	Number.	With P. C's.	With P's.	With other Supplies.	Unsupplied.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Absent.	Confession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Letter.	Discipline.	Total.	Adult.	Infant.
Andover	1859	29	20	7	1	1	2,161	4,907	7,068	1,643	226	124	350	88	106	108	302	91	139
Barnstable	1828	24	2	15	0	7	367	1,137	1,504	306	25	19	44	48	13	34	95	14	32
Berkshire North	1867	18	8	4	0	6	1,182	2,343	3,525	434	74	48	122	51	56	7	114	34	51
" South	1860	19	4	10	0	5	650	1,426	2,076	400	60	41	101	42	36	17	95	39	32
Brookfield	1821	21	9	7	0	5	949	2,116	3,065	616	81	61	142	70	68	19	157	41	24
Essex North	1828	27	21	4	0	2	1,504	3,620	5,124	609	96	65	161	105	61	50	216	40	23
" South	1827	37	22	12	0	3	1,725	4,623	6,348	829	163	164	327	106	112	37	255	92	130
Franklin	1843	30	4	21	0	5	1,254	2,450	3,704	722	174	75	249	71	91	35	197	107	45
Hampden	1850	47	27	11	0	9	3,247	6,698	9,945	1,751	340	323	663	150	239	65	454	160	159
Hampshire	1865	17	6	10	0	1	1,073	2,478	3,551	618	87	57	144	71	73	11	155	43	51
" East	1860	16	4	10	0	2	1,040	1,644	2,684	703	72	45	117	66	54	13	133	27	22
Mendon	1858	12	4	6	0	2	595	1,511	2,106	428	77	49	126	35	46	26	107	49	22
Middlesex South	1828	21	11	10	0	0	1,119	2,580	3,699	826	55	59	114	78	62	20	160	26	41
" Union	1853	23	9	13	0	1	1,135	2,371	3,506	607	86	79	165	69	56	36	161	39	52
Norfolk	1827	37	15	18	0	4	1,918	4,149	6,067	740	238	140	378	110	117	43	270	119	111
Old Colony	1856	16	3	10	0	3	597	1,474	2,071	377	55	47	102	39	26	4	69	41	18
Pilgrim	1830	14	0	12	0	2	283	792	1,075	203	13	10	23	29	24	2	55	10	11
Suffolk North	1861	29	21	7	0	1	2,658	5,763	8,421	1,668	294	239	533	129	239	103	471	107	237
" South	1861	28	17	9	0	2	2,437	5,534	7,971	1,437	304	249	553	128	201	107	436	90	202
" West	1873	26	15	9	0	2	2,889	5,817	8,706	944	269	300	569	103	192	16	311	77	155
Taunton	1849	24	9	13	0	2	1,019	2,361	3,380	396	111	52	163	49	62	10	121	46	26
Woburn	1848	24	12	11	0	1	1,890	4,070	5,960	996	253	147	400	97	160	46	303	97	125
Worcester Central	1852	31	9	20	0	2	2,848	5,519	8,367	1,137	350	249	599	133	171	47	351	152	117
" North	1827	16	5	10	0	1	600	1,276	1,876	324	30	38	68	56	45	5	106	17	11
" South	1828	16	8	8	0	0	647	1,567	2,214	504	55	48	103	55	35	8	98	20	38
Associated with R. I.		1	0	0	0	1	15	17	32	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Total		603	265	267	1	70	35,802	78,243	114,045	19,231	3,589	2,728	6,317	1,978	2,345	869	5,192	1,579	1,874
Last year		601	265	249	6	81	35,471	77,764	113,235	19,108	3,385	3,022	6,407	1,969	2,569	1,535	6,015	1,539	1,810
*Gain. †Loss.		*2	0	*18	†5	†11	*331	*479	*810	*123	*204	†294	†90	*9	†224	†666	†823	*40	*64

II. BENEVOLENCE AND HOME EXPENDITURES

Conferences.	A.B.C.F.M.	Education.	C. B. S.	Home Missions.	A. M. A.	Sunday School.	Ministerial Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legacies.	Home Expenditurds.
Andover,	$4,024	$10,022	$661	$7,021	$1,980	$421	$138	$13,528	$37,795	$6,937	$90,156
Barnstable,	519	65	91	713	179	154	38	363	2,168	1,250	21,323
Berkshire North,	6,168	1,709	380	5,232	1,207	295	350	4,968	20,309	10	40,765
" South,	2,523	243	183	1,623	579	186	89	2,983	8,409	7,721	32,518
Brookfield,	3,164	504	310	3,463	969	344	35	1,863	10,652	0	35,722
Essex North,	2,944	349	242	3,114	1,751	361	39	15,953	24,753	7,000	57,551
" South,	6,019	866	567	6,054	2,055	451	205	9,648	25,865	2,225	81,902
Franklin,	2,536	258	313	2,171	825	243	37	1,136	7,519	112	41,208
Hampden,	10,798	4,739	2,666	13,190	3,146	1,019	594	56,582	92,734	7,119	141,351
Hampshire,	2,936	397	435	2,495	1,239	214	77	1,836	9,628	5,575	31,705
" East,	3,488	360	122	1,592	676	123	51	1,502	7,914	1,000	18,575
Mendon,	1,129	106	128	996	270	146	18	1,401	4,194	0	23,401
Middlesex South,	2,540	599	471	3,515	1,295	283	134	4,253	13,090	4,375	46,666
" Union,	2,709	608	547	2,783	933	358	125	3,039	11,102	200	45,818
Norfolk,	6,561	652	5,260	5,096	1,125	580	192	3,975	23,441	8,725	112,453
Old Colony,	2,098	201	124	2,244	366	228	157	6,598	12,016	1,669	29,680
Pilgrim,	501	33	58	459	68	66	21	688	1,875	110	15,123
Suffolk North,	8,712	450	3,493	10,412	1,856	1,034	176	9,163	35,305	4,080	119,523
" South,	14,261	2,179	1,266	14,036	3,031	1,209	442	6,917	43,341	500	133,180
" West,	42,195	5,036	3,908	40,493	5,152	1,918	611	36,247	135,560	0	152,118
Taunton,	4,919	17,881	430	5,752	1,096	654	14	41,820	72,566	1,525	59,901
Woburn,	8,124	1,186	987	5,693	2,051	849	269	6,624	25,783	11,716	84,589
Worcester Central,	14,936	7,321	2,178	14,883	1,391	952	253	13,458	55,372	3,488	147,202
" North,	2,683	163	165	1,485	349	166	25	2,258	7,294	1,000	24,400
" South,	18,112	1,861	3,321	3,467	2,858	995	688	1,817	33,119	1,000	27,417
Associated with R. I.	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	4	237	
Totals,	$174,599	$57,788	$28,309	$157,982	$36,447	$13,250	$4,778	$248,620	$721,773	$77,574	$1,614,247
Last year,	155,361	44,312	27,302	159,782	36,876	14,876	4,708	230,728	673,945	111,453	1,711,020
* Gain. † Loss.	*19,238	*13,476	*1,007	†1,800	†429	†1,626	*70	*17,892	*47,828	†33,879	†96,773

III. THE S. S. AND Y. P. S. C. E. STATISTICS

Name of Conference.	Sunday School.		Families in the Congregation.	Y. P. S. C. E.	
	Members.	Average Attendance.		No.	Members.
Andover	6,474	3,691	5,178	26	1,790
Barnstable	1,776	988	1,600	16	585
Berkshire North	3,203	2,078	2,625	15	949
" South	1,531	904	1,478	16	675
Brookfield	2,828	1,600	2,598	19	913
Essex North	4,909	2,777	5,153	24	1,359
" South	8,327	4,426	5,875	33	2,216
Franklin	3,615	2,248	2,977	29	1,159
Hampden	9,151	5,403	7,736	38	2,312
Hampshire	2,750	1,621	2,239	17	819
" East	1,961	1,132	1,552	13	657
Mendon	2,056	1,132	1,959	10	743
Middlesex South	3,216	1,864	2,402	20	910
" Union	3,428	2,029	2,703	22	1,310
Norfolk	8,328	4,783	6,496	34	2,458
Old Colony	2,347	1,285	2,034	14	743
Pilgrim	1,259	748	1,479	13	412
Suffolk North	10,213	5,249	5,778	26	2,262
" South	10,907	6,313	6,870	25	2,840
" West	7,344	4,497	4,529	21	1,643
Taunton	3,886	2,397	3,063	21	1,110
Woburn	7,573	4,059	5,350	23	2,069
Worcester Central	7,988	4,527	6,321	30	1,987
" North	1,903	1,060	1,495	14	639
" South	2,599	1,426	2,163	15	833
Associated with Rhode Island	65	35	40	1	26
Totals	119,637	68,272	91,693	535	33,419

IV. SUMMARY OF CHANGES DURING THE YEARS MENTIONED

YEARS.	Churches.				Ministers.								Sunday Schools.		Benevolent Contributions.	
	Number.		Members.		The Pastorate.					Deaths.						
	New.	Dropped.	Gain.	Loss.	Ordained.	Installed.	Dismissed.	Died.	Ordained without Installation.	Pastors by Council.	Pastors.	Others.	Gain.	Loss.	Increase.	Decrease.
1902	2	0	1,125	—	9	31	22	5	10	2	3	18	—	489	—	$7,480
1901	2	1	269	—	7	22	26	16	10	1	6	9	5,075	—	$13,906	—
1900	2	3	—	578	8	24	20	2	10	2	1	18	—	5,370	101,914	—
1899	1	0	583	—	7	24	15	4	12	4	1	9	—	3,666	—	51,348
1898	7	2	1,738	—	6	21	12	2	15	2	2	11	2,690	—	—	49,078
1897	6	2	1,044	—	11	24	23	0	12	0	2	27	3,410	—	—	37,710
1896	1	1	705	—	10	25	22	1	16	1	3	18	52	—	65,015	—
1895	5	3	1,950	—	8	21	17	1	26	1	3	22	422	—	—	44,638
1894	8	0	1,581	—	15	35	30	2	15	2	1	15	1,429	—	—	176,171
1893	8	2	629	—	9	22	20	0	12	0	1	7	—	995	194,507	—
1892	9	1	1,655	—	21	24	24	2	8	2	1	11	—	1,404	—	17,737
1891	6	2	1,999	—	11	24	17	2	9	2	0	10	1,914	—	17,206	—
1890	5	1	1,190	—	17	29	24	2	5	2	3	13	1,849	—	16,902	—
1889	17	0	2,461	—	4	32	20	2	12	2	4	11	934	—	20,449	—
1888	6	2	1,295	—	10	24	25	2	2	2	2	16	2,410	—	—	28,871 35
1887	1	2	1,425	—	12	22	39	3	4	3	0	7	1,048	—	110,514 49	—
1886	4	2	1,262	—	11	18	22	0	1	0	1	7	588	—	—	4,394 72
1885	3	1	3,375	—	8	33	31	2	3	2	0	11	3,355	—	100,919 45	—
1884	3	2	—	1,945	9	28	26	3	3	3	1	12	1,816	—	23,341 82	—
1883	0	1	957	—	15	26	27	5	3	5	1	13	2,941	—	137,601 71	—
1882	4	0	1,276	—	6	14	11	6	3	1	0	5	—	10,999	—	41,877 74
1881	2	1	—	1,477	15	31	26	3	4	3	3	14	5,232	—	45,231 77	—
1880	2	4	—	348	12	28	32	7	3	7	0	12	655	—	22,000 27	—
1879	1	2	319	—	15	28	36	2	9	2	1	18	—	349	15,170 77	—
1878	4	1	3,995	—	13	35	43	2	6	2	0	10	3,723	—	—	75,297 55
1877	7	2	2,519	—	7	25	48	5	7	5	2	8	754	—	—	16,274 77
1876	4	0	787	—	9	29	47	4	14	4	1	10	—	1,119	—	15,929 92
1875	11	2	1,688	—	11	19	37	2	4	2	*	8	4,514	—	22,705 17	—
1874	3	2	1,015	—	10	33	34	11	6	11		11	2,150	—	—	42,248 88
1873	6	2	11	—	21	33	36	6	4	6		13	—	687	—	2,119 87
1872	2	0	870	—	10	43	39	7	3	7		13	332	—	98,649 52	—
1871	2	3	517	—	9	43	53	3	5	3		5	—	2,293	2,010 21	—
1870	6	4	9	—	16	25	46	9	5	9		14	—	700	37,726 82	—
1869	7	3	531	—	17	42	50	2	3	2		15	404	—	Unk'n	
1868	3	3	1,692	—	17	37	46	1	8	1		5	2,620	—	"	
1867	5	2	2,879	—	12	33	59	2	10	2		15	3,713	—	"	
1866	9	5	—	263	10	27	32	5		5		13	920	—	"	
1865	8	8	1,099	—						1		6	—	775	"	
1860	6	3	—	413						9		6	—	161		
1855	5	1	532	—						6		6	940	—		

Note. — The "year" means what changes were comprised in the twelve months preceding January 1 of the year mentioned. The table was begun in 1866, all preceding years now given being compiled from past Minutes, — the number of churches in some years varying from the Minutes as they *were* to what they *should* have been.

The changes in list of churches, ordinations, installations, etc., for the past year, condensed in the above table, are given in detail in their proper place.

*Prior to 1876 "acting pastors" are included in "others" in columns of deaths of ministers.

V. CONTINUED TABLE OF SUMMARIES

Year.	Churches.					Ministers.					Church Members, Jan. 1.				Additions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		S. S.		Benevolent Contributions.
	With P. C.	With P.	With S.	Vacant.	Total.	P. C.	P.	S.	Others.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Ab'nt.	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death	Dism.	Disc.	Total.	Adult	Infant	Mem.	Av. Att.	
1902	265	267	1	70	603	270	264	1	392	927	35,802	78,243	114,045	19,231	3,589	2,728	6,317	1,978	2,345	869	5,192	1,579	1,874	119,637	68,272	$721,773
1901	265	249	6	81	601	271	243	6	371	891	35,471	77,764	113,235	19,108	3,385	3,022	6,407	1,969	2,511	1,535	6,015	1,539	1,810	120,286	69,121	673,945
1900	275	258	9	58	600	282	256	9	280	827	35,438	77,528	112,966	18,262	2,703	2,719	5,422	1,967	2,425	1,241	5,632	1,225	1,774	115,211	67,615	660,039
1899	273	243	8	77	601	281	230	7	300	818	35,878	77,666	113,544	18,255	2,847	2,656	5,503	1,740	2,383	840	4,963	1,345	1,799	120,581	70 472	558,125
1898	282	252	8	56	598	291	235	6	256	788	35,828	77,133	112,961	17,985	3,912	3,180	7,092	1,828	2,462	748	5,038	1,860	1,990	124,247	72,968	609,473
1897	274	241	10	68	593	280	226	10	271	787	35,331	75,892	111,223	17,453	3,382	3,050	6,432	1,848	2,590	915	5,353	1,633	1,616	121,557	70,571	658,551
1896	281	224	15	69	589	287	214	15	270	786	35,038	75,141	110,179	17,216	3,786	2,964	6,750	1,849	2,650	936	5,435	1,336	1,661	118,379	69,581	696,261
1895	273	215	22	79	589	280	210	21	267	778	34,461	75,013	109,474	17,014	4,106	3,282	7,388	1,843	2,653	952	5,448	1,964	1,802	118,327	70,262	631,246
1894	267	203	27	90	587	271	194	22	293	780	34,032	73,492	107,524	16,957	3,733	3,260	6,993	1,935	2,730	721	5,386	1,849	1,804	117,905	70,790	675,884
1893	267	198	16	98	579	276	184	16	342	818	33,598	72,345	105,943	17,125	3,324	3,005	6,329	2,074	2,506	850	5,430	1,654	1,452	116,476	69,323	852,055
1892	265	195	11	102	573	275	199	11	315	800	33,433	71,881	105,314	15,865	3,617	3,170	6,787	1,916	2,721	475	5,112	1,840	1,543	117,471	68,640	657,548
1891	272	176	16	101	565	283	181	15	286	765	32,596	71,063	103,659	17,206	3,530	3,043	6,573	1,757	2,604	479	4,840	1,883	1,674	118,875	72,041	675,285
1890	268	190	23	80	561	278	178	22	276	754	32,133	69,527	101,660	17,595	3,836	3,159	6,995	1,754	2,744	913	5,411	1,930	1,377	116,961	68,574	658,079
1889	264	177	45	93	557	264	177	45	220	706	31,592	68,878	100,470	15,838	3,718	2,760	6,478	1,780	2,513	337	4,630	1,838	1,258	115,112	66,899	641,177
1888	261	204		75	540	277	165		236	678	29,465	64,712	97,707	15,541	3,882	2,839	6,721	1,788	2,313	185	4,286	2,013	1,229	114,178		678,950
1887	258	178		99	535	282	157		259	698	29,029	63,967	96,412	15,836	3,733	2,688	6,421	1,537	2,114	189	3,856	1,905	961	111,768		707,821
1886	277	189		70	536	289	165		211	665	28,577	62,697	94,987	15,931	3,752	2,687	6,440	1,688	2,170	150	4,011	1,843	1,025	110,720		597,307
1885	283	166		85	534	297	178		186	661	28,857	63,423	93,725	15,239	3,013	2,503	5,519	1,603	1,979	168	3,752	1,414	1,008	110,182		601,702
1884	283	169		80	532	300	155		186	641	27,777	62,573	90,350	13,877	2,800	2,071	4,871	1,587	1,979	141	3,707	1,451	800	106,827		500,782
1883	278	160		93	531	265	153		202	620	30,957	61,338	92,295	14,872	2,371	2,180	4,551	1,585	1,861	148	3,594	1,051	837	105,011		477,440
1882	274	178		80	532	278	143		215	636	28,073	61,135	91,238	14,392	2,153	2,001	4,168	1,682	1,724	137	3,539	1,103	966	94,977		349,839
1881	269	164		95	528	264	119		228	611	28,494	61,468	89,962	14,399	1,631	1,940	3,571	1,410	1,592	145	3,147	874	842	105,976		391,716
1880	280	171		75	526	284	164		185	633	29,045	62,394	91,439	14,584	1,761	1,835	3,596	1,454	1,745	151	3,350	922	968	100,744		346,485
1879	282	180		66	528	286	174		195	655	29,212	62,575	91,787	14,764	2,421	1,869	4,290	1,401	1,669	116	3,186	1,235	954	10,089		325,484
1878	277	174		78	529	280	169		194	643	28,995	62,473	91,468	14,100	5,698	2,577	8,275	1,418	2,066	159	3,643	3,103	1,353	100,438	62,290	309,314
1877	269	174		83	526	275	171		196	642	27,479	59,994	87,473	12,833	4,407	2,085	6,492	1,517	1,807	178	3,502	2,480	1,078	96,715		384,611
1876	289	163		69	521	292	162		187	641	26,580	58,374	84,954	13,177	3,103	2,244	5,347	1,531	2,163	89	3,783	1,616	1,153	95,961	61,391	400,886
1875	501	136		80	517	305	134		167	606	26,346	57,821	84,167	12.777	3,869	2,739	6,608	1,391	2,295	94	3,780	2,137	1,111	97,160	62,295	416,816
1874	307	116		85	508	314	116		166	596	25,810	56,669	82,479	12,506	2,329	2,279	4,608	1,380	1,902	67	3,349	1,112	1,012	92,646	60,036	394,111
1873	307	127		73	507	316	127		173	616	25,481	55,983	81,464	13,305	2,713	2,438	5,151	1,483	2,159	60	3,702	1,287	915	90,496	58,405	436,359
1872	299	123		81	503	304	123		164	591	25,426	56,027	81,453	13,874	2,569	2,151	4,720	1,350	2,177	79	3,606	1,236	882	91,183	61,571	438,479
1871	292	134		75	501	297	134		166	597	25,152	55,431	80,583	12,517	2,164	2,009	4,173	1,348	2,049	73	3,470	1,126	1,005	90,851	61,443	439,830
1870	294	119		89	502	298	117		176	591	24,915	55,151	80,066	11,983	2,381	2,476	4,857	1,359	2,308	82	3,749	1,218	1,103	93,144	62,217	337,820
1869	311	*116		73	500	314	115		172	601	25,050	55,007	80,057	11,970	2,975	2,492	5,467	1,267	2,337	79	3,683	1,610	1,036	93,844	61,149	300,093
1868	301	113		82	496	307	112		156	575	24,734	54,792	79,526	11,509	3,513	2,163	5,676	1,170	2,122	58	3.350	1,928	1,072	93,440	62,782	298,533
1867	295	114		87	496	300	113		154	567	24,082	53,752	77,834	11,695	4,644	2,316	6,960	1,220	2,051	114	4,385	2,314	1,168	90,820	61,407	315,322
1866	310	109		74	493	316	107		166	589	25,177	51,178	74,955	11,147	2,153	1,696	3,749	1,307	1,703	98	3,108	1,010	987	87,107	60,036	392,244
1865	313	100		76	489	318	101		147	566	23,488	51.730	75,218	11,706	3,030	1,790	4,820	1,454	1,675	124	3,253	1,467	1,023	86,187	58,284	
1860	325	81		82	488	333	78		176	587	24,217	51,302	76,371	10,114	1,741	1,734	3,475	1,154	1,768	188	3,110	780	1,293	80,124		
1855	351	54		62	467	366	55		135	556	20,999	45,218	69,509	8,756	1,713	1,618	3,331	1,119	1,674	97	2,890	737	1,254	66,147		

In the above table, the columns of "Additions," "Removals," "Baptisms," "Sunday School Average," and "Benevolent Contributions" cover the twelve months next preceding January 1 of the year mentioned in a given line. The number of *churches*, *members*, and of *Sunday Schools* was enumerated January 1 of the year mentioned. The number of churches "Vacant" includes all churches supplied by licentiates, or ministers of other denominations. For Churches, Membership, and Sunday School Membership, for 1890, 1885, 1840, 1845, and 1855, see "Minutes" of 1900.

THE CONFERENCES OF THE CHURCHES

1. ANDOVER. — Organized, June 8, 1859.

Andover, South,
" West,
" Free,
" **Ballardvale,**
" Seminary,
Chelmsford, **North,**
" Central,
Dracut, First,
" Central,
Lawrence, Lawrence St.,
" South,
" Riverside,
" Trinity,
" United,
Lowell, Pawtucket,
" **First,**
" First Trinitar'n,
" Eliot,
" John St.,
Lowell, Kirk St.,
" High St.,
" *French,*
" Highland,
" *Swedish,*
" *Norwegian,*
Methuen,
North Andover,
Tewksbury,
Tyngsboro.

ALBERT W. BURNHAM, Lowell, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Rev. ERNEST C. BARTLETT, Chelmsford, *statistical secretary.*
Conference meets on the last Tuesdays in April and October.

2. BARNSTABLE. — Organized, October 28, 1828.

Barnstable, **West,**
" **Centreville,**
" **Hyannis,**
" **Cotuit,**
Chatham,
Dennis, **South,**
" Union,
Falmouth, First,
Falmouth, **East,**
" **North,**
" **Waquoit,**
" **Wood's Hole,**
Harwich,
" **Port,**
Nantucket,
Orleans,
Provincetown,
Sandwich,
Truro, First,
" **North,**
Wellfleet, First,
" **South,**
Yarmouth, First,
" **West.**

Rev. CHARLES A. BRECK, Cotuit, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the second Tuesdays in May and November.

3. BERKSHIRE NORTH. — Organized, December 3, 1867.

Adams,
Becket, North,
Dalton,
Hinsdale,
Lanesboro,
Middlefield,
North Adams,
Peru,
Pittsfield, First,
" Second,
" South,
" Pilgrim Mem'l,
Richmond,
Williamstown, First,
" College,
" **South,**
" W. Oaks,
Windsor,
(Canaan, N. Y.),
(New Lebanon, N. Y.).

Deacon GEORGE FRENCH, North Adams, *secretary* and *treasurer.*
Annual meeting on the second Wednesday in November; semi-annual on the second Wednesday in May.

4. BERKSHIRE SOUTH. — Organized, August 29, 1860.

Becket, **Centre,**
Egremont, **South,**
Great Barrington, First,
" " **Housatonic,**
Lee,
Lenox,
Monterey,
Mount Washington,
New Marlboro, First,
" " **Southfield,**
" " **Mill River,**
Otis,
Sandisfield, First,
" **New Boston,**
Sheffield,
Stockbridge, First,
" **Curtisville,**
West Stockbr'ge, Centre,
" " Village.

BENNETT T. GALE, Lee, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Rev. WALTER W. CURTIS, West Stockbridge, *statistical secretary*.
Annual meeting in November.

5. BROOKFIELD. — Organized, June 13, 1821.

Barre,
Brimfield,
Brookfield,
Charlton,
Dana,
Dudley,
Hardwick, First,
Hardwick, **Gilbertville,**
Holland,
New Braintree,
North Brookfield, First,
" " Union,
Oakham,
Southbridge,
Spencer,
Sturbridge,
Ware, First,
" East,
" *French*,
Warren,
West Brookfield.

Rev. ALLEN A. BRONSDON, Oakham, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Annual meeting, first Tuesday in May, two days; semi-annual, third Tuesday in September, one day.

6. ESSEX NORTH. — Organized, April 30, 1828.

Amesbury, First,
" Union,
Boxford, **West,**
Georgetown, First,
" Memorial,
Groveland,
Haverhill, **Bradford,**
" West,
" Fourth,
Haverhill, Centre,
" North,
" Riverside,
" Union,
" St. John's, *French*,
" **Ward Hill,**
Ipswich, First,
" Linebrook,
Merrimac,
Newbury, First,
" **Byfield,**
Newburyport, North,
" Prospect St.,
" Belleville,
" Whitefield,
Rowley,
West Newbury, First,
" " Second.

Rev. DAVID C. TORREY, Byfield, *scribe*.
Rev. JOHN N. LOWELL, Haverhill, *statistical secretary* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in May and October.

7. ESSEX SOUTH. — Organized, May 8, 1827.

Beverly, Second, **North,**
" Dane Street,
" Washington St.,
Boxford,
Danvers, First, **Centre,**
" Maple Street,
Essex,
Gloucester, **West,**
Gloucester, Trinity,
" **Lanesville,**
" **Magnolia,**
Hamilton,

7. ESSEX SOUTH (*Continued*).

Ipswich, South,
Lynn, First,
" Central,
" Chestnut St.,
" North,
" *Scandinavian*,
Lynnfield **Centre**,
" Second,
Manchester,
Marblehead,
Middleton,
Peabody, South,
" Second, **South**,
" **West**,
Rockport, First,
" **Pigeon Cove**,
" *Swed.*, **P. Cove**,
Salem, Tabernacle,
" South,
" Crombie Street,
Saugus, First,
" **Cliftondale**,
Swampscott,
Topsfield,
Wenham.

Rev. T. FRANK WATERS, Ipswich, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Rev. ARTHUR J. COVELL, Lynn, *statistical scribe*.
Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in May and October.

8. FRANKLIN. — Organized, October 10, 1843.

Ashfield,
Bernardston,
Buckland,
Charlemont, First,
" **East**,
Colerain,
Conway,
Deerfield, **South**,
" Orthodox,
Erving,
Gill,
Greenfield, First,
" Second,
Hawley, East,
" **West**,
Heath,
Leverett, **Moore's Cor's**,
Montague, First,
" **Miller's Falls**,
" **Turner's Falls**,
Northfield, **East**,
Orange, Central,
" *Swedish*,
Shelburne, First,
" **Falls**,
Shutesbury,
Sunderland,
Warwick,
Wendell,
Whately.

Rev. EDWARD P. BUTLER, Sunderland, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the second Wednesday and Thursday in September.

9. HAMPDEN. — Organized, December 4, 1850.

Agawam, **Feeding Hills**,
" Second,
Blandford, First,
" Second,
Chester, First,
" Second,
Chicopee, First,
" Second, **Falls**,
" Third,
East Longmeadow,
Granville, **East**,
" **West**,
Hampden,
Holyoke, First,
" Second,
" *French*,
Huntington, Second,
Longmeadow,
Ludlow, **Centre**,
" Union,
Monson,
Palmer, **Thorndike**,
" Second,
" **Three Rivers**,
South Hadley Falls,
Southwick,
Springfield, First,
" Olivet,
" South,
" North,
" **Indian O'd**,
" Hope,
" *French*,
" Eastern Av.,
" Emmanuel,
" Park,
" St. John's,
" *Swedish*,
" Faith,

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Tolland,
Westfield, First,
" Second,
West Springfield, First,
" "
" "
Mittineague,
Park Street,
Wilbraham, Centre,
" North.

Rev. COLLINS G. BURNHAM, Chicopee, *scribe.*
WILLIAM F. EMERSON, Longmeadow, *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the last Tuesday in October; semi-annual meeting in April.

10. HAMPSHIRE. — Organized, February, 1865.

Chesterfield,
Cummington,
" West,
Easthampton, First,
" Payson,
Goshen,
Hatfield,
Huntington, 1st, Norw'h,
Northampton, First,
" Edwards,
" Florence,
Plainfield,
Southampton,
Westhampton,
Williamsburg,
" Haydenville,
Worthington.

W. M. PURINGTON, Haydenville, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Rev. JOHN PIERPONT, Williamsburg, *statistical secretary.*
Conference meets in the spring and fall at the call of the executive committee.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST. — Organized, December 13, 1860.

Amherst, First,
" Second,
" College,
" North,
" South,
Belchertown,
Enfield,
Granby,
Greenwich,
Hadley, First,
" Second, North,
Leverett,
Pelham, First,
" Pack'dville, Enf'd,
Prescott,
South Hadley.

Deacon M. B. KINGMAN, Amherst, *registrar* and *treasurer.*
Rev. GEORGE E. FISHER, North Amherst, *statistical secretary.*
Semi-annual meeting on the last Tuesday in April; annual meeting on the third Tuesday in October.

12. MENDON. — Organized, April 12, 1858.

Foxboro,
Franklin,
Mansfield,
Medfield,
Medway, Second, West,
" Village,
" Third, West,
Milford,
Millis,
Norfolk,
Walpole,
Wrentham.

Rev. ISAIAH W. SNEATH, Franklin, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH. — Organized, August 20, 1828.

Ashland,
Dover,
Framingham, Plymouth,
" **Saxonville,**
" **South,**
Holliston,
Hopkinton,
Hudson,
Lincoln,
Marlboro, First,
" *French,*
Maynard,
Natick, First,
" **South,**
Northboro,
Sherborn,
Southboro,
" **Southville,**
Sudbury, **South,**
Wayland,
Wellesley.

Rev. NICHOLAS VAN DER PYL, Holliston, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

14. MIDDLESEX UNION. — Organized, May 8, 1853.

Acton, First,
" **South,**
Ashby,
Ayer,
Boxboro, **West Acton,**
Concord,
Dunstable,
Fitchburg, Calvinist,
" Rollstone,
" *German,*
" *Swedish,*
Groton, First,
" **West,**
Harvard,
Lancaster,
Leominster, Centre,
" **North,**
Littleton,
Lunenburg,
Pepperell,
Shirley,
Townsend,
Westford.

Rev. JOEL D. MILLER, Leominster, *scribe* and *treasurer.*
Annual meeting third Wednesday in October; spring meeting in April.

15. NORFOLK. — Organized, June 14, 1827.

Abington, First,
" **North,**
Braintree, First,
" **South,**
Bridgewater,
" **Scotland,**
Brockton, First,
" South, **Ca'p'lo,**
" Porter,
" Waldo,
" Wendell Ave.,
" Lincoln,
Cohasset, Evangelical,
" Beechwood,
East Bridgewater,
Easton, **Centre,**
" *Swedish,* **North,**
Hingham, First,
" Beth'y, **Nan't,**
Holbrook,
Milton,
" **East,**
Quincy, Bethany,
" Washington St.,
Quincy, *Swedish,*
" *Finnish,*
Randolph,
Rockland,
Sharon,
Stoughton,
Weymouth, First, **Hghts,**
" Old South, **South,**
" & Braintree, **E.B.,**
" Union, **South,**
" Pilgrim, **North,**
" **East,**
Whitman.

Rev. AUGUSTUS H. FULLER, Easton Centre, *scribe.*
HEMAN HOWARD, South Easton, *treasurer.*
Rev. FRANK E. BUTLER, South Weymouth, *statistical secretary.*
Conference meets on the first Tuesday in May, and on the last Tuesday in September.

16. OLD COLONY. — Organized, September 23, 1856.

Dartmouth, **South,**	Middleboro, First,	Rochester, First,
Edgartown,	" Central,	" North,
Fairhaven,	New Bedford, **Acushnet,**	" **East, W. Wareham,**
Marion,	" " North,	Wareham,
Mattapoisett,	" " Trinitar'n,	Westport,
		West Tisbury.

Rev. WILLIAM CARRUTHERS, Box 283, Holyoke, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

Conference meets for a two days' session on the third Tuesday in April, and the last Tuesday in October.

17. PILGRIM. — Organized, April 27, 1830.

Carver, **North,**	Hanson,	Plymouth, Pilgrimage,
Duxbury,	Kingston,	" **Chiltonville,**
Halifax,	Marshfield, First,	Plympton,
Hanover, **West,**	" **Hills,**	Scituate.
" Four Corners,	Plymouth, **Manomet,**	

Rev. ERNEST M. BARTLETT, Kingston, *scribe*, *treasurer*, and *statistical secretary*.

Conference meets on the third Tuesdays in April, July and October.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH. — Organized, May 23, 1861.

Arlington, First,	Cambridge, North Ave.,	Revere, First,
" **Heights,**	" **Port,** Pilg'm,	" **Beachmont,**
Boston, First, **Charlest'n,**	" " Wood Memorial,	
" Winthrop, "	" " Hope,	Somerville, First,
" Maverick, **East,**	Chelsea, First,	" Broadway,
" Mount Vernon,	" Central,	" **West,**
" Seamen's,	" Third,	" Prospect Hill,
" Baker, **East,**	Everett, First,	" Winter Hill,
Cambridge, First,	" Courtland St.,	" Highlands,
" Prospect St.,	" Mystic Side,	Winthrop.

HARRY W. JEFFERS, Chelsea, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

W. H. HILLING, Somerville, *statistical scribe*.

Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in April and in October.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH. — Organized, May 13, 1861.

Boston, 2d, **Dorchester,**	Boston, **West Roxbury,**	Boston, Pilgrim, **Dorch.,**
" Union,	" Central, **J'a P'n,**	" Highland, **Rxby,**
" Phillips, **S. B.,**	" Boylston, "	" Walnut Av., "
" Village, **Dorch.,**	" Immanuel, **Rxby,**	" Olivet,
" Eliot, **Roxbury,**	" Trinity, **Nepon't,**	" Harvard, **Dorch.**

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH (*Continued*).

Boston, Central, **Dorch.,**
" **Roslindale,**
" St. Mark's,
Canton,
Dedham,
Hyde Park, First,
" " **Clar'don Hills,**
Norwood,
Quincy, **Wollaston,**
" **Atlantic,**
" Park & Downs,
East Walpole,
Westwood, **Islington.**

Rev. EUGENE C. WEBSTER, Jamaica Plain, *recording secretary.*
E. S. HATHAWAY, Hyde Park, *treasurer.*
ROBERT H. MAGWOOD, Dorchester, *statistical secretary.*
Conference meets on the third Wednesdays in April and October.

20. SUFFOLK WEST. — Organized, November 17, 1873.

Belmont, **Waverley,**
" Plymouth,
Boston, Old South,
" Park Street,
" Berk'ley Temple,
" **Brighton,**
" Central,
" Shawmut,
" *Swedish*,
Boston, *Norwegian*,
" **Allston,**
Brookline, Harvard,
" Leyden,
Needham,
Newton, First, **Centre,**
" Second, **West,**
" Eliot,
" **Auburndale,**
Newton, North,
" **Newtonville,**
" **Highlands,**
Waltham, First,
" *Swedish*,
Watertown,
Wellesley Hills,
Weston.

Rev. HENRY E. OXNARD, Newton, *scribe.*
Rev. HARRIS G. HALE, Brookline, *recording* and *statistical secretary.*
BENJAMIN F. DEWING, 11 Milford Street, Boston, *treasurer.*
Conference meets on the second Wednesdays in April and October.

21. TAUNTON. — Organized, October 2, 1849.

Attleboro,
Berkley,
Dighton,
Fall River, First,
" " Central,
" " Fowler,
" " *French*,
" " Broadway,
Freetown, **Assonet,**
Lakeville,
Middleboro, **North,**
North Attleboro, **Oldt'n,**
" " **Falls,**
" " Trinity,
Norton,
Raynham, First,
Raynham, **North,**
Rehoboth,
Somerset,
Taunton, West,
" Trinitarian,
" Winslow,
" **East,**
" Union.

Rev. FRANK L. LUCE, Taunton, *scribe.*
THOMAS CHEW, Box 460, Fall River, *treasurer.*
Conference holds two sessions annually, of one day each, in the spring and fall.

22. WOBURN. — Organized, September 5, 1848.

Bedford,
Billerica,
Burlington,
Carlisle,
Hancock,
Lexington,
Malden, First,
" **Linden,**
" Maplewood,
" *Scandinavian*,
Medford, Mystic,
" **West,**
" Union,
Melrose, First,
" **Highlands,**

22. WOBURN (*Continued*).

North Reading,	Wakefield,	Woburn, First,
Reading,	Wilmington,	" **North,**
Stoneham,	Winchester,	" *Scandinavian,*
		" **Montvale.**

Rev. ISAAC PIERSON, Medford, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the last Tuesdays in April and October.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL. — Organized, April 28, 1852.

Auburn,	Rutland,	Worcester, *Swedish*, 1*st*.,
Berlin,	Shrewsbury,	" Pilgrim,
Boylston,	Sterling,	" Park,
Clinton, First,	West Boylston,	" Covenant,
" *German*,	Worcester, First,	" Hope,
Holden,	" Central,	" Lake View,
Leicester,	" Union,	" Bethany,
Oxford,	" Summer St.,	" *Armenian*,
Paxton,	" Plymouth,	" Immanuel,
Princeton,	" Piedmont,	" *Swedish*, 2*d*.,
		" Adams Sq.,

Rev. J. ADDISON SEIBERT, Worcester, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Rev. THOMAS E. BABB, Holden, *statistical secretary*.
Conference meets on the Tuesday following the second Monday in May, and on the Tuesday following the third Monday in October.

24. WORCESTER NORTH. — Organized, November 24, 1827.

Ashburnham, First,	New Salem,	Royalston, **South,**
" North,	Orange, **North,**	Templeton, Trinitarian,
Athol,	Petersham,	" **Baldwinsville,**
Gardner,	Phillipston,	Westminster,
Hubbardston,	Royalston, First,	Winchendon, First,
		" North.

Rev. GUSTAVUS W. JONES, Winchendon, *scribe* and *treasurer*.
Conference meets in October and May.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH. — Organized, June 17, 1828.

Blackstone, First,	Grafton, **Saundersville,**	Sutton,
" *Scand.*, **Millville,**	Millbury, First,	Upton,
Douglas, First,	" Second,	Uxbridge,
" **East,**	Northbridge, **Centre,**	Webster,
Grafton, First,	" **Whitinsville,**	Westboro.
	" Rockdale,	

Rev. JOHN R. THURSTON, Whitinsville, *scribe*.
Deacon AMOS ARMSBY, Millbury, *treasurer*.
Conference meets on the fourth Thursdays in April and October.

THE ASSOCIATIONS OF MINISTERS

1. ANDOVER, Organized, July 5, 1763.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
S. Winchester Adriance,	'79, May 22.	'84, Dec. 2.	Winchester.	W. C.
George A. Andrews,	'99, June 14.	'99, Dec. 5.	Andover.	P. C.
Ernest L. Baker,	'94, Sept. 18.	'95, Feb. 26.	*North Weare, N. H.*	P.
Henry E. Barnes,	'62, May 28.	'94, Feb. 27.	North Andover.	P. C.
Ernest C. Bartlett,	'96, Mar. 12.	'96, Dec. 8.	Chelmsford.	P. C.
E. Victor Bigelow,	'91, Sept. 24.	'01, Sept. 24.	Lowell.	P. C.
James M. Blue,	'96, July 14.	'96, Sept. 29.	*Epsom, N. H.*	P.
Francis H. Boynton,	'64, Oct. 20.	'89, May 28.	New Braintree.	P.
Park A. Bradford,	'79, July 30.	'94, Sept. 25.	*Coventry, Ct.*	P.
Charles C. Carpenter,	'60, May 9.	'91, May 26.	Andover.	W. C.
Clark Carter,	'68, Feb. 13.	'73, June 3.	Andover.	C. M.
Thomas G. A. Côtè,	'71, April 9.	'82, April 11.	Lowell.	P.
George R. Dickinson,	'95, Oct. 9.	'96, Sept. 29.	*Zanesville, O.*	W. C.
Sarah A. Dixon,	'97, June 16.	'97, Dec. 7.	Tyngsboro.	P.
Robert W. Dunbar,	'99, Feb. 8.	'99, Feb. 28.	North Chelmsford.	P. C.
Hohannes B. Garabedian,	'88, Sept. 18.	'99, Dec. 5.	Lawrence.	M.
John M. Greene,	'57, Oct. 20.	'71, June 28.	Lowell.	P. C. Em.
David P. Hatch,	'86, July 1.	'00, Feb. 27.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Edward Y. Hincks,	'70, Oct. 18.	'85, Dec. 15.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles W. Huntington,	'81, Sept. 6.	'88, June 5.	Lowell.	P. C.
Francis H. Johnson,	'61, Oct. 15.	'83, June 5.	Andover.	W. C.
George H. Johnson,	'77, July 6.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P. C.
George F. Kenngott,	'90, Oct. 8.	'92, Dec. 6.	Lowell.	P. C.
David Kilburn,	'84, April 20.	'90, Sept. 23.	*Alleghany, Pa.*	W. C.
Willis D. Leland,	'80, Jan. 23.	'93, Sept. 26.	Lowell.	W. C.
Herbert G. Mank,	'89, Jan. 15.	'98, Dec. 6.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Charles P. Marshall,	'98, July 26.	'00, Dec. 4.	Lawrence.	P. C.
John A. McKnight,	'93,	'02, Feb. 25.	Dracut.	P.
Selah Merrill,	'64, Nov. 1.	'74, Oct. 20.	*Jerusalem.*	W. C.
Charles L. Mitchell,	'71, June 28.	'84, June 19.	Winchester.	W. C.
George F. Moore,	'78, Feb. 2.	'95, May 28.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Lewis W. Morey,	'82, Sept. 6.	'93, Sept. 26.	Malden.	W. C.
Charles H. Oliphant,	'76, July 12.	'84, Oct. 28.	Methuen.	P. C.
Frederick H. Page,	'93, Nov. 23.	'96, May 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
William G. Poor,	'85, May.	'01, May 14.	Lowell.	P.
Edward W. Pride,	'69, June 10.	'92, May 9.	Andover.	W. C.
William H. Ryder,	'69, Dec. 14.	'88, Dec. 4.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Hovhannes K. Santikian,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Dec. 7.	Cambridgeport.	M.
Frank R. Shipman,	'93, Dec. 27.	'94, June 5.	Andover.	P. C.
John Phelps Taylor,	'68, Nov. 12.	'85, Nov. 3.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Charles C. Torrey,	'90, May 15.	'99, May 29.	*New Haven, Ct.*	Prof.

1. ANDOVER (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles C. Torrey,	'55, Sept. 7.	'00, May 22.	Andover.	W. C.
William E. Walcott,	'81, Sept. 21.	'82, Feb. 26.	Lawrence.	P. C.
Frank A. Warfield,	'71, June 10.	'99, Feb. 28.	Lowell.	P. C.
T. Clayton Welles,	'72, Oct. 25.	'02, Feb. 25.	Lowell.	P. C.
Charles H. Wilcox,	'84, Nov. 6.	'84, Dec. 2.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
Frederick A. Wilson,	'82, Oct. 6.	'90, April 8.	Andover.	P. C.
Frank E. Woodruff,	'83, Sept. 6.	'85, Nov. 3.	*Brunswick, Me.*	Prof.
J. Herbert Yeoman,	'77, Jan. 25.	'00, Dec. 4.	Tewksbury.	P.

Licentiates. — Licensed May 22, 1900, for two years: Fred P. Ensminger, *Sanford, Fla.*; May 28, 1901, for two years: L. M. Dean, *Bridgeport, Ct.*; E. C. Hayes, *Burton Station, O.*; F. J. Libby, *Richmond, Me.*; G. A. Swertfager, Boston.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesday in December, and fourth Tuesdays in February, May and September.

Rev. Robert W. Dunbar, North Chelmsford, *scribe*.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

George W. Andrews,	'82, June 7.	'84, Dec. 1.	Dalton.	P.
Lewis P. Atwood,	'55, April 12.	'00, June 26.	Pittsfield.	W. C.
John Bascom,	'59, Dec. 18.	'61, Jan. 28.	Williamstown.	W. C.
George A. Beckwith,	'62, May 26.	'99, Oct. 17.	*Saratoga Spgs., N. Y.*	W.C.
Henry M. Bowden,	'86, June 30.	'99, June 13.	Middlefield.	P.
Willis H. Butler,	'98, Nov. 21.	'01, Nov. 12.	Williamstown.	P. C.
Raymond Calkins,	'96, Oct. 19.	'98, Mar. 8.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
Edson L. Clark,	'59, Nov. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Dalton.	W. C.
Silas P. Cook,	'70, Mar. 23.	'00, Nov. 22.	Pittsfield.	Co. Miss.
William V. W. Davis,	'77, Sept. 12.	'93, Dec. 19.	Pittsfield.	P. C.
Thomas W. Davison,	'99, Dec. 21.	'01, Nov. 12.	Becket.	P.
John H. Denison,	'70, Jan. 30.	'85, Sept. 16.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Nathaniel H. Egleston,	'45, Feb. 19.	'77, Dec. 3.	Jamaica Plain.	W. C.
Edward H. Griffin,	'68, Feb. 6.	'73, Dec. 1.	*Baltimore, Md.*	Dean Coll.
Alpheus C. Hodges,	'81, Nov. 16.	'00, June 26.	*Canaan Four Cor., N. Y.*	P.
Owen James,	'94, Sept. 16.	'00, Nov. 22.	*North Pownal, Vt.*	P.
James H. Laird,	'64, Dec. 21.	'85, Sept. 16.	Hinsdale.	P. C.
T. Claire Luce,	'85, Dec. 2.	'90, Dec. 2.	Richmond.	P. C.
Alford B. Penniman,	'83, April 10.	'94, June 12.	Adams.	P. C.
James C. Seagrave,	'51, Dec. 1.	'87, Dec. 6.	Hinsdale.	W. C.
Isaac C. Smart,	'85, June 9.	'85, Sept. 16.	Pittsfield,	P. C.
William R. Stocking,	'71, June 20.	'01, Nov. 12.	South Williamstown.	W.C.
William L. Tenney,	'88, Sept. 20.	'95, Dec. 20.	North Adams.	P. C.

Licentiate. — Garrett V. Stryker, Williamstown, renewed Nov. 12, 1901, for one year.

STATED MEETINGS. — In March, June, September and December.

Rev. Henry M. Bowden, Middlefield, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH (BERKSHIRE, 1763), Organized by division, October 14, 1852.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Leon D. Bliss,	'89, Oct. 31.	'96, Oct. 27.	Great Barrington.	P. C.
Walter W. Curtis,	'72, Mar. 20.	'83, Oct. 29.	West Stockbridge.	P.
John Dooley,	'72, May 6.	'98, April 26.	Monterey.	P.
Edwin C. Gillette,	'98, Oct. 7.	'98, Nov. 1.	Southfield.	P.
Samuel Hopley,	'55, Sept. 19.	'90, Jan. 28.	Lee.	W. C.
John B. Lewis,	'95, Sept. 25.	'97, Oct. 26.	Mill River.	P.
Stephen T. Livingston,	'91, July 8.	'91, Nov. 10.	Williamstown.	W. C.
Frederick Lynch,	'99, Mar. 27.	'99, Jan. 31.	Lenox.	P.
R. DeWitt Mallary,	'76, Oct. 12.	'80, July 12.	Housatonic.	P.
Evarts W. Pond,	'95, May 2.	'97, Oct. 26.	*Stoneham, Me.*	P.
Charles S. Rich,	'96, Sept. 29.	'96, Oct. 27.	——, *Cal.*	W. C.
Lyman S. Rowland,	'64, Nov. 16.	'77, Oct. 29.	Lee.	P. C.
George T. Washburn,	'59, Mar. 22.	'59, July 25.	*India.*	A. B. C. F. M.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, April, July and October. Rev. Leon D. Bliss, Great Barrington, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

4. BROOKFIELD, Organized, June 22, 1757.

The Brookfield Association has ceased to report its members, having transferred that function to the Brookfield Conference, which names the following ministerial members: —

S. Allen Barrett,	'88, Feb. 28.	'01, May 8.	Florence.	P.
Austin B. Bassett,	'87, Sept. 15.	'00, May 8.	Ware.	P. C.
Oscar Bissell,	'56, May 14.	"	Brimfield.	W. C.
Edward B. Blanchard,	'92, June 29.	"	Brookfield.	P. C.
Allen A. Bronsdon,	'97, Dec. 2.	"	Oakham.	P. C.
Edward L. Chute,	'80, July 20.	'01, May 8.	Ware.	P.
Benson M. Frink,	'63, Jan. 9.	'00, May 8.	West Brookfield.	W. C.
Sereno D. Gammell,	'68, Sept. 9.	"	North Brookfield.	W. C.
J. Howard Gaylord,	'99, Nov. 21.	"	West Brookfield.	P. C.
Silvanus Hayward,	'61, Oct. 9.	"	Globe Village.	P. C.
George O. Jenness,	'61, Feb. 8.	"	Charlton.	P.
James G. Knotter,	'96, Apr. 21.	"	*Neuchatel, Kan.*	P.
William B. Oleson,	'77, Dec. 4.	"	Warren.	P. C.
Harlan Page,	'83, Feb. 6.	"	Hardwick.	P.
Augustus M. Rice,	'73, Dec. 17.	"	Grafton.	P.
John L. Sewall,	'82, July 19.	"	*St. Albans, Vt.*	P.
Laird W. Snell,	'00, June 27.	'01, May 8.	North Brookfield.	P. C.
Dwight C. Stone,	'88, May 22.	'00, May 8.	*Chester, Ct.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, April, July and October. Rev. J. Howard Gaylord, West Brookfield, *scribe*.

5. CAPE COD (BARNSTABLE, 1792; BREWSTER, 1832; VINEYARD SOUND, 1836), Organized by union, October 16, 1866.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Jeremiah K. Aldrich,	'63, Feb. 17.	'82, Jan. 31.	Hyannis.	W. C.
Charles A. Breck,	'94, Sept. 25.	'97, Aug. 4.	Cotuit.	P.
George E. Chapin,	'79, Aug. 20.	'01, Oct. 22.	Hatchville.	P.
Henry K. Craig,	'55, Jan. 24.	'73, April 15.	Falmouth.	W. C.
Sidney Crawford,	'70, Dec. 8.	'01, Jan. 15.	Provincetown.	P.
Ernest W. Eldridge,	'93, April 23.	'00, May 6.	Montague.	P.
Fred. K. Ellsworth,	'98, June 2.	'00, Oct. 23.	Sandwich.	P.
Washington H. Forbes,	'81, July 1.	'00, Oct. 23.	South Dennis.	P.
Edward T. Ford,	'97, May 25.	'97, Oct. 19.	*Tacoma, Wash.*	P. C.
Edgar B. French,	'97, Sept. 7.	'97, Oct. 19.	West Barnstable.	P.
John W. Hayley,	'64, Sept. 23.	'95, Jan. 15.	Lowell.	W. C.
Joseph B. Long,	'90, July 25.	'00, Oct. 23.	Woods Hole.	P.
Sampson Nicholls,	'78, Aug. 1.	'01, Jan. 15.	Harwichport.	P.
Frederic Parker,	'00, Dec. 14.	'01, July 16.	Chatham.	P. C.
John H. Quint,	'98, May 18.	'01, Jan. 15.	Falmouth.	P. C.
E. Irving Rackett,	'94, May 9.	'94, July 17.	East Orleans.	P. C.
John T. Rea,	'73, Aug. 8.	'79, Jan. 28.	*Exeter, N. H.*	W. C.
Daniel W. Richardson.	'62, Aug. 14.	'96, Aug. 4.	*Ossipee Centre, N. H.*	P.
Ezra J. Riggs,	'79, July 10.	'91, Nov. 10.	*Kensington, N. H.*	P.
Ezra N. Smith,	'72, June 12.	'92, April 19.	North Falmouth.	P.
George O. Thompson,	'87, Sept. 15.	'01, April 16.	Truro.	P.
Rufus B. Tobey,	'80, Nov. 30.	'81, Jan. 25.	Boston.	W. C.
John J. Walker,	'94, Dec. 11.	'97, April 20.	Westboro.	P. C.
Bartlett H. Weston,	'90, May 29.	'99, Aug. 8.	Centreville.	P.
Edgar C. Wheeler,	'96, Sept. 22.	'00, April 17.	Rockland.	P.
Charles H. Whitney,	'71, Aug. 31.	'72, Jan. 16.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William H. Woodwell,	'73, June 12.	'89, June 11.	*Hampton, Ct.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, April, July and October. Rev. Edgar B. French, West Barnstable, *scribe.*

6. ESSEX NORTH, Organized, September 6, 1761.

The record of ministerial standing has been transferred by the Essex North Association to the Essex North Conference, which reports the following members (Dec. 17, 1901): —

Frank G. Alger,	'86, July 22.	'98, Dec. 20.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Charles L. Charron,	'98, June 22.	'00. Oct. 16.	Haverhill.	P.
George W. Christie,	'73, Dec. 11.	'93, Feb. 21.	*Ossipee, N. H.*	P.
Calvin M. Clark,	'90, Dec. 30.	'93, Dec. 19.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles Clark,	'94, Dec. 12.	'98, April 26.	Ward Hill.	P. C.
Charles F. Clarke,	'92, Dec. 7.	'98, April 26.	Groveland.	P. C.
F. Lincoln Davis,	'93, Nov. 8.	'94, April 17.	New Bedford.	P.
James D. Dingwell,	'95, July 12.	'00, Dec. 18.	Amesbury.	P. C.
Leonard Dodd,	'78, May 5.	'99, Oct. 17.	*Atkinson Depot, N. H.*	P.

6. ESSEX NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
John W. Dodge,	'60, Dec. 6.	'92, April 19.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Frank P. Estabrook,	'93, Feb. 7.	'00, Dec. 18.	Needham.	P.
Daniel T. Fiske,	'47, Aug. 18.	'47, Dec. 29.	Newburyport.	P. C. Em.
James W. Flagg,	'82, Oct. 25.	'01, Oct. 22.	Merrimac.	P. C.
David Fraser,	'95, Dec. 5.	'99, Oct. 17.	Rowley.	P. C.
George L. Gleason,	'66, Feb. 1.	'84, May 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles S. Holton,	'92, Nov. 30.	'97, Dec. 21.	Newbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Hubbard,	'68, Sept. 2.	'80, April 20.	West Boxford.	P. C.
Joseph Kimball,	'83, June 15.	'86, April 20.	Haverhill.	P.
John D. Kingsbury,	'56, Sept. 24.	'66, Oct. 17.	Bradford.	P. C. Em.
Charles E. Lord,	'44, May 8.	'90, Dec. 16.	Newburyport.	W. C.
John N. Lowell,	'77, Nov. 21.	'82, Feb. 21.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Charles P. Mills,	'80. Sept. 23.	'80, Dec. 21.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Vincent Moses,	'87, Oct. 2.	'92, Dec. 20.	*South Granville, N. Y.*	P.
Albert F. Newton,	'77, Sept. 5.	'98, Dec. 20.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Edwin B. Palmer,	'59, Sept. 20.	'76, June 20.	Winchester.	Tr. H. M. Soc.
Manasseh G. Papazian,	'90, May 28.	'90, Oct. 21.	*Aintab.*	Prof.
Myron O. Patton,	'94, May 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Francis W. Sanborn,	'78, Dec. 18.	'85, Dec. 16.	Marblehead.	W. C.
George H. Scott,	'73, Sept. 8.	'88, Feb. 21.	*Atkinson, N. H.*	P.
Elmer E. Shoemaker,	'94, Feb. 27.	'01, April 16.	Newburyport.	P. C.
Egbert C. Smyth,	'56, July 23.	'67, April 19.	Andover.	Prof. Sem.
Everett S. Stackpole,	'82, April 30.	'01, Dec. 17.	Bradford.	P. C.
George L. Todd,	'87, April 13.	'93, April 18.	*Havana, Cuba.*	Teaching.
David C. Torrey,	'92, June 1.	'92, Dec. 20.	Byfield.	P. C.
C. Julian Tuthill,	'94, May 1.	'95, Dec. 17.	*Sanford, Me.*	P.
James S. Williamson,	'90, May 15.	'01, Dec. 17.	Haverhill.	P. C.
Richard Wright,	'90, Nov. 4.	'01, Dec. 17.	Newburyport.	P. C.

Licentiate. — Prof. Isaac N. Carleton, Bradford, licensed April 16, 1887, renewed April 16, 1901, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, June, October and December.

Rev. David Frazer, Rowley, *scribe.*

7. ESSEX SOUTH AND SALEM (ESSEX SOUTH, September 3, 1717; SALEM, October 15, 1840), Organized by union, December 1, 1885.

Harry C. Adams,	'89, Oct. 22.	'98, Jan. 11.	Danvers.	P. C.
Israel Ainsworth,	'80, April 11.	'89, May 14.	Rockport.	P. C.
William P. Alcott,	'68, Feb. 18.	'81, Sept. 13.	Boxford(Linebrook).	P. C.
Walter H. Ashley,	'78, Mar. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Manchester.	P.
S. Linton Bell,	'76, Jan. 5.	'81, April 1.	Marblehead.	P. C.
Emery L. Bradford,	'92, July 1.	'94, Jan. 9.	Boxford.	P. C.
James F. Brodie,	'82, Feb. 21.	'89, Nov. 12.	Salem.	P. C.
John W. Buckham,	'88, Aug. 9.	'91, Jan. 13.	Salem.	P. C.
Daniel E. Burtner,	'90, Sept. 25.	'98, Sept. 13.	Swampscott.	P. C.
Edwin H. Byington,	'87, May 26.	'00, Nov. 13.	Beverley.	P. C.

7. ESSEX SOUTH AND SALEM (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
DeWitt S. Clark,	'68, Nov. 11.	'79, June 2.	Salem.	P. C.
Edward Constant,	'83, Aug. 30.	'92, Mar. 8.	Ipswich.	P.
Arthur J. Covell,	'90, Oct. 21.	'98, Nov. 8.	Lynn.	P. C.
Daniel L. Crafts,	'76, July 19.	'99, Mar. 14.	Lynn.	W. C.
Temple Cutler,	'61, Feb. 20.	'86, Sept. 26.	West Gloucester.	P.
Hugh Elder,	'68, Jan. 29.	'68, April 7.	*Fowes, Scotland.*	P.
Edward C. Ewing,	'63, Nov. 5.	'83, Nov. 1.	Roxbury.	W. C.
George E. Freeman,	'58, Oct. 6.	'96, Mar. 10.	Boston.	W. C.
Curtis M. Geer,	'90, June 25.	'95, Mar. 12.	*Hartford, Ct.*	Prof.
Leslie C. Greeley,	'98, Dec. 20.	'99, Sept. 12.	Middleton.	P.
Willis A. Hadley,	'78, Aug. 21.	'94, May 9.	Southbridge.	P. C.
George A. Hall,	'86, April 13.	'86, Dec. 1.	Peabody.	P. C.
Owen E. Hardy,	'94, Oct. 2.	'00, Mar. 13.	West Peabody.	P.
Chauncey J. Hawkins,	'99, May 19.	'00, Sept. 11.	Danvers.	P. C.
Rufus P. Hibbard,	'68, Aug. 4.	'88, Sept. 11.	Gloucester.	P. C.
George A. Jackson,	'72, Sept. 26.	'79, Jan. 14.	Swampscott.	W. C.
John A. Johnson,	'92, Aug. 6.	'95, Mar. 12.	Lynn.	P. C.
Frederic I. Kelley,	'89, Dec. 30.	'90, Mar. 11.	Dracut.	P. C.
John C. Labaree,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, Nov. 10.	Saugus.	P.
Warren P. Landers,	'91, Dec. 2.	'92, Mar. 8.	Somerville.	Journalist.
Edward A. Lathrop,	'95, Nov. 26.	'01, Sept. 10.	Essex.	P.
Frank A. Lindholm,	'98, Oct. 6.	'00, Jan. 9.	*Danbury, Ct.*	P.
Carl A. Ludgren,	'93, Aug. 17.	'94, May 9.	Waltham.	P.
William C. Merrill,	'84, May 17.	'97, Nov. 9.	Lynn.	P.
Albert W. Moore,	'73, Jan. 22.	'84, Mar. 11.	Lynn.	W. C.
Jesse G. Nichols,	'94, Sept. 13.	'95, Jan. 8.	Hamilton.	P. C.
George W. Osgood,	'78, Jan. 26.	'96, May 26.	Lynn.	W. C.
Albert B. Peabody,	'60, May 24.	'98, Nov. 8.	East Boxford.	W. C.
Arthur H. Pingree,	'98, Nov. 16.	'99, Mar. 14.	Pigeon Cove.	P.
Aaron Porter,	'60, Nov. 20.	'88, Sept. 11.	Salem.	W. C.
Frank H. Reed,	'86, June 24.	'86, Dec. 1.	Lanesville.	P. C.
William E. Renshaw,	'84, June 14.	'01, Nov. 12.	Lynnfield.	P.
Charles B. Rice,	'59, Dec. 7.	'64, May 1.	Danvers.	Sect.
Edward F. Sanderson,	'99, June 27.	'99, Mar. 14.	Beverly.	P. C.
Jotham B. Sewall,	'55, Feb. 28.	'95, Mar. 12.	Boston.	W. C.
Lewis J. Thomas,	'78, June 18.	'98, Sept. 13.	South Peabody.	P.
Morris H. Turk,	'98, Sept. 22.	'00, Jan. 9.	Wenham.	P.
Arthur N. Ward,	'79, Feb. 25.	'92, Jan. 12.	Somerville.	W. C.
T. Frank Waters,	'76, Oct. 23.	'79, Feb. 4.	Ipswich.	P. C.
Charles C. Watson,	'67, July 2.	'94, Jan. 9.	Lynn.	W. C.
Will C. Wood,	'68, Oct. 15.	'69, Jan. 12.	Boston.	W. C.
Herbert J. Wyckoff,	'98, Sept. 15.	'00, Sept. 11.	Topsfield.	P. C.
Edmund M. Wylie,	'01, June 20.	'01, Nov. 12.	North Beverly.	P. C.

Licentiate. — Markham W. Stackpole, Magnolia, Jan. 14, 1902, for one year.
STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in January, March, May, September and November.
Rev. T. Frank Waters, Ipswich, *scribe.*

8. FRANKLIN, Organized, September 20, 1803.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
G. Glenn Atkins,	'95, Jan. 2.	'95, Feb. 12.	*Burlington, Vt.*	P. C.
William A. Bacon,	'95, Oct. 1.	'00, Feb. 13.	Springfield.	P.
Charles E. Beals,	'94, April 8.	'01, Feb. 12.	Greenfield.	P. C.
Edgar F. Blanchard,	'94, Nov. 15.	'96, Feb. 11.	*East Poultney, Vt.*	P.
Edward P. Butler,	'74, Oct. 20.	'90, June 12.	Sunderland.	P. C.
Christopher W. Collier,	'94, Jan. 3.	'99, Nov. 14.	Orange.	P. C.
Charles M. Crooks,	'97, Feb. 2.	'97, Sept. 14.	Colerain.	P.
George L. Dickinson,	'76, Sept. 20.	'92, April 11.	East Northfield.	W. C.
William H. Dowden,	'63, Nov. 5.	'01, Feb. 12.	Gill.	P.
Joseph A. Goodrich,	'96, Sept. 9.	'96, Sept. 15.	Shelburne.	P.
Edward O. Grisbrook,	'93, May 17.	'98, Nov. 8.	South Deerfield.	P.
Horace F. Hallett,	'91, July 10.	'99, Nov. 14.	Ashfield.	P.
William Harris,	'76, June 10.	'00, May 8.	Warwick.	P.
Dorr A. Hudson,	'91, Sept. 9.	'94, May 8.	Miller's Falls.	P.
Eugene F. Hunt,	'84, Nov. 18.	'96, Sept. 15.	Conway.	P.
Thomas C. Kinne,	'75, June 28.	'93, Dec. 12.	Montague.	W. C.
Frank N. Merriam,	'92, Feb. 24.	'98, Sept. 13.	Turner's Falls.	P. C.
Horace E. Morrow,	'86, May 11.	'00, May 8,	*Philippine Islands.*	Tea.
John A. Pogue,	'96, Jan. 28.	'96, May 12.	Erving.	P.
Martin L. Richardson,	'61, Mar. 7.	'98, Nov. 8.	Montague.	W. C.
Thomas S. Robie,	'59, Oct. 25.	'99, Sept. 12.	West Hawley.	W. C.
Edward A. Robinson,	'83, July 11.	'98, Sept. 13.	Buckland.	P.
C. Ingerson Scofield,	'83, Oct. 18.	'00. May 8.	East Northfield.	P. C.
Edward P. Seymour,	'92, Oct. 25.	'97, Sept. 14.	Wendell.	P.
Hohannes T. Torosyan,	'99, June 1.	'99, Sept. 12.	Hawley.	P.
Carey H. Watson,	'91, Dec. 30.	'93, July 5.	Greenfield.	P.
Joseph Wheelwright,	'98, Aug. 29.	'01, Feb. 12.	Greenfield.	W. C.
Lyman Whiting,	'43, Jan. 11.	'90, May 13.	East Charlemont.	P.
Daniel B. Wyman,	'01, Nov. 7.	'01, Nov. 12.	Heath.	P.

Licentiate. — John C. Wightman, Northfield, renewed Feb. 20, 1899, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Annual, second Tuesday in May. Other meetings, second Tuesdays in September, November and February.

Rev. Edward O. Grisbrook, South Deerfield, *scribe.*

9. HAMPDEN, Organized, February 13, 1894, by the union of Hampden West and East, which were formed June 11 and 12, 1844.

William G. Ballantine,	'80, Aug. 20.	'00, Feb. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Stephen G. Barnes,	'81, April 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	*Nashville, Tenn.*	Teacher.
Harlan P. Beach,	'83, July 19.	'93, Feb. 14.	*Montclair, N. J.*	Teacher.
Henry J. Bruce,	'62, Sept. 11.	'62, Nov. 11.	*Satara, India.*	A.B.C.F.M.
Collins G. Burnham,	'79, Dec. 10.	'89, May 14.	Chicopee.	P. C.
Edmund A. Burnham,	'00, Nov. 23.	'01, April 9.	*Stafford Springs, Ct.*	P. C.
Hanford M. Burr,	'88, Oct. 24.	'90, May 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gardner S. Butler,	'77, Jan. 7.	'99, Feb. 21.	*Atlanta, Ga.*	Teacher.
Luther H. Cone,	'55, April 5.	'60, Feb. 7.	*New Haven, Ct.*	P. C. *Em.*

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Lyndon S. Crawford,	'79, Aug. 20.	'01, April 9.	Southwick.	P.
Allen E. Cross,	'92, Dec. 29.	'97, Nov. 9.	Brookline.	Asst. P. C.
Edward Day,	'86, Sept. 18.	'99, Feb. 21.	Springfield.	P.
William N. DeBerry,	'99, June 28.	'01, July 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Vernon H. Deming,	'98, July 26.	'01, April 9.	North Wilbraham.	P. C.
Henry A. Dickinson,	'63, Oct. 16.	'68, Feb. 11.	Huntington.	W. C.
Myron S. Dudley,	'71, Sept. 28.	'87, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
Aaron W. Field,	'72, Nov. 13.	'81, Feb. 8.	New Marlboro.	W. C.
G. Walter Fiske,	'98, Oct. 25.	'99, Feb. 21.	South Hadley Falls.	P. C.
Albert E. Fitch,	'96, Nov. 11.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Sanford, Fla.*	
Everett D. Francis,	'95, Nov. 20.	'97, Feb. 9.	Ludlow.	P. C.
Frank L. Garfield,	'93, Feb. 21.	'93, April 11.	Feeding Hills.	P. C.
Lewis F. Giroux,	'89, April 17.	'89, Nov. 12.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Frank L. Goodspeed,	'87, June 29.	'95, April 9.	Springfield.	P. C.
Edwin H. Hadlock,	'93, April 23.	'00, June 26.	Springfield.	P. C.
Newton M. Hall,	'91, July 8.	'00, Feb. 13.	Springfield.	P. C.
Fosdick B. Harrison,	'94, June 13.	'99, July 11.	Palmer.	P. C.
Franklin S. Hatch,	'76, May 7.	'89, Feb. 12.	*Madras, India.*	Y.P.S.C.E.
Winfield S. Hawkes,	'68, Nov. 12.	'00, April 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Theron H. Hawks,	'55, Mar. 5.	'88, July 10.	Springfield.	W. C.
Timothy A. Hazen,	'54, Oct. 11.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Martin S. Howard,	'56, Nov. 20.	'69, Feb. 2.	Wilbraham.	P. C.
George H. Hubbard,	'84, Sept. 13.	'97, July 13.	Springfield.	W. C.
William T. Hutchins,	'76, Dec. 20.	'92, Nov. 7.	Springfield.	
David L. Kebbe,	'91, June 17.	'91, July 14.	Granville.	P.
Edward H. Knight,	'83, July 25.	'83, Nov. 13.	Springfield.	Teacher.
Gerald Stanley Lee,	'88, Oct. 23.	'95, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	W. C.
Samuel H. Lee,	'62, Sept. 17.	'90, Nov. 11.	Springfield.	Pres. Coll.
John H. Lockwood,	'71, Nov. 5.	'79, Nov. 11.	Westfield.	P. C.
George W. Love,	'90, April 20.	'01, April 9.	West Springfield.	P.
Clarence C. Lyon,	'90, Dec. 17.	'94, Nov. 13.	*Plainfield, Ct.*	W. C.
Samuel V. McDuffie,	'69, May 12.	'00, June 26.	Springfield.	W. C.
Harry C. McKnight,	'85, Oct. 7.	'98, July 12.	East Longmeadow.	P.
Henry C. Meserve,	'94, Mar. 14.	'94, Nov. 13.	*Indianapolis, Ind.*	P. C.
Philip S. Moxom,	'71, Sept. 19.	'96, Feb. 11.	Springfield.	P. C.
Egbert N. Munroe,	'81, May 4.	'89, Nov. 12.	Newburyport.	W. C.
Charles Olmstead,	'83, Sept. 27.	'99, July 11.	Three Rivers.	P.
Charles Pease,	'96, Oct. 20.	'97, Nov. 9.	*Long Beach, Cal.*	W. C.
Harvey G. Pillsbury,	'82, Sept. 28.	'95, July 9.	Chicopee Falls.	P. C.
Paul H. Pitkin,	'66, Sept. 11.	'82, May 9.	Springfield.	Teacher.
David A. Reed,	'81, June 7.	'81, June 12.	Springfield.	Pres. S.C.W.
Edward A. Reed,	'71, June 14.	'88, Feb. 14.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Franklin P. Reinhold,	'98, July 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	*Windsor Locks, Ct.*	P.
Walter Rice,	'65, July 25.	'92, Nov. 7.	Agawam.	P. C.
James B. Sargent,	'97, Sept. 15.	'98, April 12.	*Lisbon, N. H.*	P.
Alpheus M. Spangler,	'88, June 22.	'88, Nov. 13.	Mittineague.	P. C.

9. HAMPDEN (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Franklin M. Sprague,	'75, Sept. 22.	'82, May 9.	*Tampa, Fla.*	P.
Thomas S. St. Aubin,	'93, Oct. 1.	'98, Feb. 8.	Springfield.	P. C.
John L. R. Trask,	'67, Dec. 4.	'95, Feb. 12.	Springfield.	W. C.
Rufus S. Underwood,	'67, Nov. 19.	'98, Feb. 8.	Longmeadow.	Evan.
Josiah G. Willis,	'76, Oct. 10.	'88, Nov. 13.	Holland.	P.
George W. Winch,	'75, Oct. 6.	'91, Nov. 10.	Holyoke.	P. C.
Herbert P. Woodlin,	'92, June 26.	'99, Feb. 21.	Chicopee.	P.
Samuel H. Woodrow,	'88, Aug. 30.	'99, April 11.	Springfield.	P. C.

Licentiate. — James C. Greenough, Westfield, licensed July, 1897, for four years; Alexander T. McWhorter, North Stoughton, licensed Nov. 12, 1901, for one year.

STATED MEETINGS. — In Springfield, second Tuesdays in February, April, July and November.

Rev. Collins G. Burnham, Chicopee, *scribe*.

10. HAMPSHIRE, Organized, before 1735.

Melvin J. Allen,	'82, Nov. 8.	'01, Feb. 12.	Worthington.	P.
John E. Bowman,	'95, Feb. 14.	'97, June 8.	Scotland.	P.
George H. Buck,	'94, July 5.	'94, Oct. 16.	*Crown Point, N. Y.*	P.
Solomon Clark,	'41, June 13.	'61, Aug. 6.	*Chicago, Ill.*	W. C.
Elisha G. Cobb,	'60, June 20.	'67, Feb. 5.	Northampton.	W. C.
John Cowan,	'75, May 25.	'98, Feb. 8.	Southampton.	P.
Henry L. Edwards,	'57, July 12.	'85, Feb. 17.	Northampton.	W. C.
Charles H. Hamlin,	'76, Sept. 19.	'85, Oct. 27.	Easthampton.	P. C.
Calvin Keyser,	'75, Dec. 28.	'99, Feb. 21.	Goshen.	P. C.
Wm. J. Parmelee, M. D.,	'84, Feb. 26.	'92, Feb. 2.	Worthington.	W. C.
John Pierpont,	'88, July 26.	'98, June 7.	Williamsburg.	P. C.
Harvey Porter,	'80, Aug. 3.	'80, June 1.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Prof. Coll.
W. Stanley Post,	'93, Dec. 12.	'01, June 4.	Westhampton.	P.
Wilbur Rand,	'83, May 9.	'95, June 11.	*Bangor, N. Y.*	P.
Lewis T. Reed,	'99, Aug. 23.	'00, Dec. 11.	Cummington.	P.
Henry T. Rose,	'70, May 29.	'95, Feb. 5.	Northampton.	P. C.
Joseph H. Sawyer,	'88, Sept. 3.	'80, June 1.	Easthampton.	Prof.
William C. Scofield,	'51, Oct. 15.	'95, June 11.	Westhampton.	P.
L. Clark Seelye,	'63, Jan. 20.	'75, Feb. 2.	Northampton.	Pres. Coll.
Samuel T. Seelye,	'46, June 17.	'64, Feb. 2.	Easthampton.	W. C.
Henry H. Smith,	'73, Sept. 7.	'94, June 5.	Huntington.	W. C.
Henry P. Smith,	'75, June 8.	'99, Feb. 21.	Amherst.	P.
Hanson E. Thygeson,	'87, Nov. 2.	'95, Oct. 29.	Chesterfield.	P.
Henry M. Tyler,	'72, May 6.	'84, Feb. 12.	Northampton.	Prof.
George N. Webber,	'55, Dec. 5.	'90, Oct. 28.	Northampton.	W. C.
Irving F. Wood,	'94, Mar. 6.	'96, June 2.	Northampton.	Prof. Coll.
Sumner G. Wood,	'80, Dec. 30.	'89, Feb. 9.	Blandford.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesday in February, first Tuesday of June, fourth Tuesday of September, and second Tuesday of December.

Rev. Elisha G. Cobb, Northampton, *scribe*.

11. HAMPSHIRE EAST, Organized, November 16, 1841.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Robert C. Bell,	'69, Nov. 3.	'92, Dec. 6.	Granby.	P.
Daniel Bliss,	'55, Oct. 31.	'74, Sept. 22.	*Beirut, Syria.*	Pres. Coll.
Edward P. Crowell,	Licentiate.	'65, Sept. 19.	Amherst.	Prof.
William E. Dickinson,	'60, Dec. 19.	'97, Feb. 3.	Amherst.	W. C.
Levi H. Elwell,	Licentiate.	'80, Dec. 2.	Amherst.	Prof.
Henry Fairbank,	'86, May 27.	'85, May 26.	*Ahmednagar, India.*	F. M.
George E. Fisher,	'50, Feb. 27.	'67, Dec. 17.	North Amherst.	W. C.
Eber W. Gaylord,	'73, May 13.	'90, Dec. 2.	North Amherst.	P. C.
John F. Gleason,	'73, Jan. 7.	'95, May 28.	South Amherst.	P.
Edwin A. Grosvenor,	'72, July 30.	'96, Feb. 4.	Amherst.	Prof. Coll.
William D. Herrick,	'60, Jan. 18.	'84, Sept. 16.	Amherst.	W. C.
Edward E. Keedy,	'94, Oct. 16.	'94, Dec. 4.	Hadley.	P.
John W. Lane,	'60, Oct. 16.	'61, Jan. 9.	North Hadley.	P. C.
George Lyman,	'51, Nov. 12.	'70, Dec. 20.	*Riverside, Cal.*	W. C.
Henry R. McCartney,	'87, June 25.	'98, Dec. 6.	*W. Stewartstown, N. H.*	P.
George J. Newton,	'97, July 22.	'98, Feb. 6.	Springfield.	P. C.
Arthur B. Patten,	'94, Feb. 1.	'97, Dec. 7.	South Hadley.	P. C.
Lawrence Perry,	'94, May 10.	'96, May 26.	Worcester.	Pastor's Ass't.
Richard Scoles,	'80, April 21.	'00, May 29.	Leverett.	P.
William E. Strong,	'85, July 15.	'01, Dec. 3.	Amherst.	P. C.
Charles S. Walker,	'71, Aug. 1.	'81, Sept. 20.	Amherst.	Prof. of Ag. Coll.
Robert M. Woods,	'77, Nov. 21.	'77, Dec. 4.	Hatfield.	P. C.

Licentiates. — Edward P. Crowell, Amherst, re-licensed Sept. 17, 1901; William L. Montague, Amherst, re-licensed Dec. 6, 1898; Levi H. Elwell, Amherst, re-licensed Dec. 4, 1900. Term of licensure is four years.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, June and December, and third Tuesday of September.

Rev. George E. Fisher, North Amherst, *scribe.*

12. MENDON, Organized, November 8, 1751.

John F. Crosby,	'92, Mar. 30.	'94, Dec. 4.	*Dover, N. H.*	W. C.
Robert W. Drawbridge,	'97, Oct. 5.	'00, Nov. 21.	Medway.	P. C.
Nathan T. Dyer,	'78, July 31.	'90, Dec. 9.	Ashburnham.	P.
Joseph M. R. Eaton,	'45, Jan. 9.	'71, Mar. 14.	*Redlands, Cal.*	W. C.
Edward Evans,	'75, Sept. 1.	'01, Sept. 30.	Foxboro.	P.
Rufus K. Harlow,	'68, Oct. 15.	'72, June 11.	Medway.	P. C. Em.
Edward C. Hood,	'74, May 8.	'96, Dec. 1.	Hingham.	W. C.
Ephraim O. Jameson,	'60, Mar. 1.	'72, June 11.	Boston.	W. C.
Franklin C. Jones,	'63, Feb. 4.	'96, April 7.	Norfolk.	W. C.
John L. Keedy,	'94, Aug. 28.	'01, April 2.	Walpole.	P. C.
William M. Macnair,	'01, Oct. 4.	'01, Nov. 19.	Mansfield.	P. C.
Francis J. Marsh,	'76, Mar. 26.	'82, Mar. 14.	Boston.	Secretary.
William J. Minchin,	'96, June 10.	'99, Oct. 10.	Wrentham.	P.
Edson J. Moore,	'61, April 1.	'86, Sept. 21.	Norfolk.	P.
Benjamin F. Perkins,	'65, Nov. 22.	'98, Oct. 4.	Hampton, N. H.	P.
Leroy M. Pierce,	'70, Feb. 4.	'98, April 5.	Medfield.	P.
William L. Ropes,	'53, Sept. 14.	'53, Oct. 11.	Andover.	Librarian.

12. MENDON (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Isaiah W. Sneath,	'84, Feb. 27.	'99, April 19.	Franklin.	P. C.
George E. Sweet,	'90, June 30.	'99, Oct. 10.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert H. Wheelock,	'88, July 3.	'94, Mar. 13.	Millis.	P.
Webster Woodbury,	'68, Sept. 29.	'88, June 13.	South Framingham.	W. C.
George F. Wright,	'75, July 14.	'98, Oct. 4.	*Bingham, Me.*	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, April, October and December.

Rev. Isaiah W. Sneath, Franklin, *scribe.*

13. MIDDLESEX SOUTH, Organized, June 7, 1830.

Daniel E. Adams,	'60, Dec. 5.	'86, Dec. 7.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
George M. Adams,	'51, Sept. 18.	'73, Sept. 9.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Arthur J. Benedict,	'75, May 25.	'01, Dec. 3.	South Natick.	P.
Edward E. Bradley,	'93, June 20.	'94, Dec. 4.	Lincoln.	P. C.
Merle A. Breed,	'93, Nov. 21.	'97, May 4.	Weymouth.	W. C.
S. Ingersoll Briant,	'68, April 22.	'99, Feb. 7.	Westboro.	W. C.
Charles S. Brooks,	'69, Sept. 15.	'01, Feb. 5.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Edward H. Chandler,	'92, Nov. 9.	'97, Sept. 21.	Salem.	W. C.
Daniel W. Clark,	'82, June 22.	'99, Dec. 5.	Ashland.	W. C.
Frederick M. Cutler,	'98, June 8.	'01, Dec. 3.	Ashland.	P.
Edmund Dowse,	'38, Oct. 10.	'39, Feb. 5.	Sherborn.	P. C.
Horace Dutton,	'68, Jan. 21.	'75, Sept. 21.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Lucius R. Eastman,	'62, May 1.	'71, Dec. 2.	Framingham.	P. C.
Frederick E. Emrich,	'75, Sept. 16.	'90, Sept. 16.	South Framingham.	P. C.
Prescott Fay,	'56, Feb. 27.	'96, Feb. 4.	Saxonville.	W. C.
Lincoln B. Goodrich,	'93, June 29.	'97, Sept. 21.	Marlboro.	P. C.
Robert F. Gordon,	'76, May 12.	'90, Feb. 4.	Boston.	P.
Theodore J. Holmes,	'59, Oct. 5.	'94, Sept. 18.	*Richmond, Vt.*	P.
Thomas C. Jackson,	'82, Aug.	'95, Sept. 17.	*Ironton, O.*	P. C.
James B. King,	'84, July.	'99, Sept. 19.	Hopkinton.	P. C.
George W. Lawrence,	'88, Feb. 14.	'99, Sept. 19.	*Willsboro, N. Y.*	P.
William E. Locke,	'68, Mar. 15.	'00, Dec. 4.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Martin F. Mevis,	'93, Sept. 18.	'94, May 1.	Southboro.	P.
Francis N. Peloubet,	'57, Dec. 2.	'72, Feb. 6.	Auburndale.	W. C.
William G. Puddefoot,	'88, Jan. 29.	'98, Dec. 6.	South Framingham.	W. C.
Almon J. Rackliffe,	'82, June 11.	'00, Sept. 18.	Hudson.	P.
Clarence W. Rouse,	'90, Dec. 4.	'95, Dec. 3.	South Sudbury.	P. C.
Albert D. Smith,	'88, Oct. 4.	'97, Feb. 2.	Northboro.	P. C.
Frederic E. Sturgis,	'68, Oct. 1.	'86, May 6.	Natick.	P. C.
Arthur Titcomb,	'88, Oct. 31.	'00, Feb. 6.	Saxonville.	P.
Nicholas Van der Pyl,	'93, Sept. 13.	'96, May 5.	Holliston.	P. C.
Benjamin C. Wood,	'94, July.	'97, May 2.	*Rochester, N. Y.*	W. C.
Harvey Woodward,	'74, April 20.	'98, Sept. 20.	Natick.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February, May and December, third Tuesday in September.

Rev. Daniel E. Adams, Wellesley Hills, *scribe.*

14. MIDDLESEX UNION, Organized, January, 1827.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Herbert W. Boyd,	'86, Nov. 5.	'98, Nov. 15.	Ashby.	P. C.
Walter W. Campbell,	'90, Nov. 12.	'90, Nov. 18.	Concord.	W. C.
William O. Conrad,	'90, June 8.	'98, May 24.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
Bernard Copping,	'79, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 17.	Acton.	P. C.
George S. Dodge, M. D.,	'93, June 6.	'01, Mar. 19.	West Acton.	W. C.
A. Frederic Dunnels,	'84, Oct. 2.	'01, Jan. 15.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
Amelia A. Frost,	'94, Feb. 14.	'94, Nov. 20.	Rutland.	W. C.
George B. Frost,	'83, June 7.	'94, May 22.	Rutland.	P. C.
Henry H. Gay,	'89, April 16.	'92, Mar. 15.	Groton.	W. C.
Edward L. Gulick,	'89, Dec. 3.	'91, Sept. 15.	*Lawrenceville, N. J.*	Tea.
John C. Handy,	'96, April 7.	'00, June 21.	Indian Orchard.	P.
H. Linwood Hartwell,	'95, Aug. 28.	'99, Nov. 21.	Dunstable.	P.
Charles S. Haynes,	'94, May 23.	'97, Sept. 21.	*Peterboro, N. H.*	P. C.
George R. Hewitt,	'86, June 4.	'95, Mar. 19.	Lowell.	W. C.
Henry M. Holmes,	'65, May 10.	'79, Jan. 7.	Provincetown.	W. C.
Alfred S. Hudson,	'67, Dec. 19.	'84, Dec. 30.	Ayer.	P.
John E. B. Jewett,	'51, Sept. 10.	'61, May 7.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Fritz W. Martini,	'97, May 14.	'00, Nov. 20.	Fitchburg.	P. C.
William C. Martyn,	'98, Nov. 29.	'99, Mar. 21.	West Acton.	P. C.
Jason G. Miller,	'99, Sept. 12.	'99, Sept. 19.	Harvard.	P. C.
Joel D. Miller,	'66, April.	'71, July 5.	Leominster.	Editor.
Frank E. Mills,	'78, Nov. 13.	'98, Mar. 15.	Pepperell.	W. C.
Horace Parker,	'61, May 31.	'64, Mar. 1.	West Tisbury.	W. C.
Elijah H. Roper,	'97, Oct. 27.	'98, Jan. 17.	Westford.	P.
Charles H. Rowley,	'81, Feb. 23.	'86, Mar. 2.	Harwich.	P.
Geo. R. W. Scott,	'68, Sept. 17.	'81, Jan. 11.	Newton.	W. C.
George A. Tewksbury,	'63, Dec. 21.	'95, Sept. 17.	Concord.	P.
Nathan Thompson,	'65, Sept. 13.	'77, Sept. 4.	*Cheltenham, Md.*	W. C.
Ole O. Thorpe,	'94, Mar. 1.	'96, Jan. 21.	Concord.	W. C.
J. Brainerd Thrall,	'78, Dec. 8.	'98, Sept. 20.	Pepperell.	P.
Joseph Torrey,	'60, May 30.	'94, Jan. 16.	Shirley.	P.
David Wallace,	'94, Aug. 22.	'97, Sept. 21.	Lunenburg.	P.
Charles H. Washburn,	'85, Dec. 2.	'99, Nov. 21.	Maynard.	P. C.
Benjamin A. Willmott,	'96, July 1.	'01, Jan. 15.	Townsend.	P.
Franklin P. Wood,	'71, July 24.	'73, May 6.	Acton.	W. C.

Licentiate. — Enoch F. Bell, April 17, 1901, for two years.
STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in January, March, May, September and November.
Rev. William J. Batt, Concord Junction, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

15. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION, Organized, May 11, 1811.

Henry Clay Alvord,	'79, Sept. 10.	'87, Feb. 15.	South Weymouth.	P. C.
Edward Anderson,	'58, Oct. 13.	'98, Dec. 20.	Quincy.	P.
Andrew W. Archibald,	'76, Aug. 24.	'91, June 15.	Brockton.	P. C.
George Benedict,	'83, Oct. 9.	'98, Dec. 20.	North Abington.	P.

15. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Henry E. Bray,	'89, Jan. 30.	'99, Dec. 19.	Stoughton.	P.
Frank E. Butler,	'87, June 22.	'96, Dec. 15.	South Weymouth.	P.
Edward C. Camp,	'94, Oct. 10.	'99, April 18.	Whitman.	P. C.
Almon J. Dyer,	'86, June 4.	'98, Feb. 15.	Sharon.	P. C.
Augustus H. Fuller,	'78, Oct. 17.	'95, Feb. 19.	Easton Centre.	P.
DeMont Goodyear,	'00, Jan. 31.	'00, April 17.	Abington.	P. C.
Edwin N. Hardy,	'90, Nov. 6.	'95, Dec. 17.	Quincy.	P. C.
Karl F. Henrikson,	'96, Oct. 1.	'01, April 16.	Quincy.	P.
Calvin G. Hill,	'72, Sept. 5.	'84, June 10.	Milton.	W. C.
Charles A. Hilton,	'71, June 9.	'94, Feb. 20.	Randolph.	P. C.
Alan Hudson,	'92, Dec. 28.	'93, April 18.	Brockton.	P. C.
Henry S. Huntington,	'66, Jan. 31.	'91, Oct. 17.	Milton.	P.
Robert R. Kendall,	'78, Jan. 30.	'92, Dec. 20.	*Winter Park, Fla.*	Prof.
Joseph Kyte,	'62, Sept. 25.	'96, Feb. 18.	*North Anson, Me.*	P.
John M. Lord,	'51, Dec. 21.	'93, Dec. 19.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Warren F. Low,	'94, Sept. 4.	'95, Feb. 19.	Boston.	W. C.
William S. A. Miller,	'96, June 25.	'01, Dec. 17.	East Braintree.	
Samuel Morrison,	'65, Oct. 24.	'90, Oct. 28.	Braintree.	W. C.
Andrew H. Mulnix,	'98, Feb. 3.	'99, Oct. 31.	East Milton,	P. C.
Edward Norton,	'64, Dec. 28.	'75, Jan. 26.	Quincy.	P. Em.
Frank H. Palmer,	'80, Sept. 28.	'86, April 20.	Braintree.	W. C.
Frank Park,	'95, July 16.	'99, April 18.	Beechwood.	P.
Albert F. Pierce,	'77, Sept. 3.	'99, April 18.	Campello.	P. C.
Elbert S. Porter,	'83, Dec. 19.	'89, Oct. 29.	Stockbridge.	P. C.
Henry S. Snyder,	'85, Oct. 28.	'98, Feb. 15.	Weymouth.	W. C.
Arthur Truslow,	'96, Sept. 30.	'99, Oct. 31.	*Baltimore, Md.*	Y. M. C. A.
Thomas H. Vincent,	'89, Feb. 6.	'97, Dec. 28.	North Weymouth.	P.
Isaac C. White,	'50, Oct. 23.	'90, June 10.	Plymouth.	W. C.
Granville Yager,	'76, June 20.	'98, Dec. 20.	Braintree.	W. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesday in October, third Tuesdays in December, February and April, and second Tuesday in June.
Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Sharon, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

16. OLD COLONY, Organized, August 18, 1810.

Harry L. Brickett,	'83, May 23.	'96, Feb. 12.	Marion.	P. C.
George P. Byington,	'68, Mar. 11.	'00, Feb. 14.	Westport.	P.
William Carruthers,	'58, June 16.	'92, Feb. 10.	Holyoke.	C. M.
John Graham,	'90, Jan. 17.	'90, Feb. 12.	West Newbury.	P.
Henry M. Grant,	'63, Nov. 17.	'79, Oct. 22.	*Eau Claire, Wis.*	W. C.
Charles F. Hersey,	'93, Jan. 25.	'94, Nov. 14.	New Bedford.	W. C.
Robert Humphrey,	'83, July 17.	'97, Feb. 10.	Mattapoisett.	P.
Matthew C. Julien,	'72, Dec. 11.	'78, July 30.	New Bedford.	P. C.
John A. MacColl,	'83, Jan. 31.	'90, Feb. 12.	New Bedford.	P. C.
Charles B. Mitchell,	'98, July 6.	'00, Feb. 14.	*New York, N. Y.*	W. C.
Benjamin W. Pennock,	'88, June 27.	'00, May 9.	New Bedford.	W. C.

16. OLD COLONY (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Robert L. Rae,	'89, Oct. 14.	'90, Feb. 12.	Brockton.	P. C.
Caleb L. Rotch,	'79, Oct. 9.	'00, May 9.	North Rochester.	P.
George W. Stearns,	'83, Aug. 1.	'95, Nov. 13.	Middleboro.	P.
Richard G. Woodbridge,	'81, April 6.	'94, Nov. 14.	Somerville.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in February, May and November.

Rev. Robert L. Rae, 12 Argyle Avenue, Brockton, *scribe*.

17. PLYMOUTH, Organized, May 18, 1858.

Haig Adadourian,	'97, Nov. 3.	'97, Nov. 16.	Manomet.	P.
Ernest M. Bartlett,	'97, Oct. 19.	'00, Sept. 25.	Kingston.	P.
Charles S. Bates,	'90, June 6.	'97, Nov. 16.	Otis.	P.
John W. Brownville,	'73, Dec. 18.	'85, Nov. 17.	Waquoit.	P.
Austin S. Chase,	'76, Dec. 14.	'93, May 8.	*East Hartford, Ct.*	W. C.
Alfred DeBarritt,	'95, May 31.	'97, Nov. 16.	*Cienfuegos, Cuba.*	P.
Jesse H. Jones,	'61, May 19.	'99, March 7.	Halifax.	P.
Adoniram J. Leach,	'89, April 7.	'01, May 28.	Acton.	W. C.
Burton A. Lucas,	'97, Sept. 15.	'01, Dec. 20.	Marshfield.	P.
Frederic W. Manning,	'91, Dec. 31.	'92, Aug. 16.	Andover.	W. C.
Henry B. Mason,	'92, June 28.	'00, Nov. 20.	Duxbury.	P.
Francis Moon,	'80, July 2.	'89, Nov. 19.	Chiltonville.	W. C.
Frederick B. Noyes,	'90, Oct. 28.	'00, Sept. 25.	Plymouth.	P.
Roland D. Sawyer,	'00, Mar. 13.	'01, Dec. 30.	Hanson.	P.
Ernest W. Shurtleff,	'89, Nov. 16.	'92, Aug. 16.	*Minneapolis, Minn.*	P.
John Wild,	'92, April 20.	'92, Aug. 16.	Hanover.	P.
George W. Wright,	'77, Dec. 5.	'93, Nov. 21.	Boston.	W. C.

Licentiates. — James I. Thomas, Halifax, license renewed on May 8, 1893, without limit of time; Oscar F. Stetson, North Carver, license renewed Feb. 19, 1901, for one year.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in March, May, October and December.

Rev. Haig Adadourian, Manomet, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH, Organized, July 2, 1822.

Milan C. Ayres,	'74, May 30.	'85, Feb. 15.	Roxbury.	Editor.
Reuben A. Beard,	'79, Sept. 10.	'98, Jan. 25.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Joseph P. Bixby,	'62, April 30.	'79, Sept. 16.	Revere.	W. C.
Howard A. Bridgman,	'90, Nov. 19.	'87, Dec. 13.	Brookline.	Editor.
G. Wolcott Brooks,	'77, Oct. 10.	'85, April 21.	Dorchester.	P.
Samuel C. Bushnell,	'79, June 4.	'90, May 28.	Arlington.	P. C.
Samuel M. Cathcart,	'96, Dec. 1.	'97, May 25.	Chelsea.	P. C.
C. F. Hill Crathern,	'86, Sept. 1.	'93, Dec. 6.	Braintree.	P.
George Darling,	'50, July 12.	'93, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
William C. Detling,	'97, Mar. 3.	'95, Oct. 30.	Ashburnham.	W. C.

18. SUFFOLK NORTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
M. Angelo Dougherty,	'69, June 15.	'87, June 7.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Walter S. Eaton,	'91, April 26.	'94, Feb. 7.	Revere.	P. C.
Robert E. Ely,	'90, Dec. 11.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridgeport.	W. C.
Daniel Evans,	'91, May 26.	'00, Jan. 30.	North Cambridge.	P. C.
Oren D. Fisher,	'75, Sept. 28.	'99, May 31.	East Boston.	P.
William B. Forbush,	'92, Feb. 17.	'98, Sept. 27.	Charlestown.	P. C.
George H. Gutterson,	'78, Dec. 3.	'95, June 10.	Winchester.	Sec.
Samuel E. Herrick,	'63, Oct. 13.	'65, Feb. 21.	Boston.	P. C.
John V. Hilton,	'60, July.	'77, Dec. 18.	*Boulder, Colo.*	W. C.
Elijah Horr,	'67, April 21.	'97, Nov. 30.	Malden.	W. C.
Ross C. Houghton,	'69, April 18.	'95, June 10.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Frank H. Kasson,	'79, Nov. 13.	'83, Sept. 18.	Boston.	Editor.
Horace H. Leavitt,	'73, June 19.	'95, Feb. 6.	Somerville.	P. C.
Duncan MacDermid,	'86, Oct. 28.	'93, Feb. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
Robert A. MacFadden,	'96, June 16.	'98, Sept. 27.	Chelsea.	P. C.
Alexander McKenzie,	'61, Aug. 28.	'67, April 16.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Peter McQueen,	'91, May 8.	'93, Oct. 4.	Charlestown.	P.
William J. Murray,	'79, April 28.	'00, Mar. 27.	Beachmont.	P.
Sylvester S. Nickerson,	'76, Dec. 26.	'89, Sept. 25.	Boston.	P. C.
Charles L. Noyes,	'81, Mar. 29.	'83, Feb. 20.	Somerville.	P. C.
Leonard S. Parker,	'38, Dec. 16.	'87, Feb. 8.	North Cambridge.	A. P.
Lawrence Phelps,	'78, Sept. 5.	'92, April 5.	Leominster.	W. C.
Eddy T. Pitts,	'82, Feb. 8.	'00, Nov. 27.	Somerville.	P. C.
Charles H. Pope,	'65, July 27.	'97, Mar. 30.	Cambridge.	P.
Edward K. Rawson,	'72, Oct. 9.	'83, April 10.	*Annapolis, Md.*	Chaplain.
James H. Ropes,	'01, June 18.	'01, Nov. 26.	Cambridge.	Prof.
James H. Ross,	'78, Feb. 22.	'88, Nov. 20.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Alfred E. Stembridge,	'92, Mar. 28.	'98, Sept. 27.	Wilmington.	W. C.
William I. Sweet,	'87, April 19.	'98, May 31.	Everett.	P.
Charles H. Talmage,	'82, Sept. 18.	'99, Nov. 28.	Taunton.	P.
John G. Taylor,	'73, Jan. 9.	'00, Jan. 30.	Arlington Heights.	P. C.
Edward Sampson Tead,	'78, Sept. 17.	'86, Feb. 12.	Somerville.	Sec. C. E. S.
Edward P. Tenney,	'58, Oct. 19.	'00, Jan. 30.	North Cambridge.	W. C.
C. A. G. Thurston,	'77, Oct. 17.	'00, Mar. 27.	Somerville.	W. C.
Charles F. Thwing,	'79, Sept.	'79, Dec. 16.	*Cleveland, O.*	Pres.
W. Sherman Thompson,	'91, Oct. 14.	'01, Nov. 26.	East Somerville.	P. C.
Robert W. Wallace,	'72, May 26.	'97, Nov. 30.	Somerville.	W. C.
George Washburn,	'63, July 29.	'78, Oct. 13.	*Constantinople.*	Pres.Coll.
George Y. Washburn,	'82, April 26.	'00, Jan. 30.	Everett.	P.
Charles H. Williams,	'99, Oct. 19.	'00, Jan. 30.	Cambridge.	P. C.
Albert E. Winship,	'75, Mar. 17.	'76, June 13.	Somerville.	Editor.
Edward C. Winslow,	'81.	'01, Oct. 8.	Boston.	W. C.
James C. Young,	'91, Aug. 25.	'97, Nov. 30.	East Boston.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Last Tuesdays in January, March, May, September and November.

Rev. John G. Taylor, Arlington Heights, *scribe.*

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH, Organized, January 27, 1829.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
William H. Allbright,	'79, June 6.	'91, Mar. 11.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles H. Beale,	'80, April 5.	'95, Jan. 16.	Roxbury.	P. C.
William T. Beale,	'82, June 7.	'99, May 10.	Dorchester.	P.
Warren F. Bickford,	'76, June 20.	'92, May 11.	Islington.	P.
George M. Boynton,	'63, Oct. 28.	'80, Nov. 10.	Newton Centre.	Sec.
Samuel A. Brown,	'00, Dec. 27.	'01, Mar. 13.	Boston.	P. C.
Seelye Bryant,	'90, Oct. 1.	'00, Mar. 14.	Canton.	P. C.
William R. Campbell,	'81, Oct. 12.	'81, Nov. 9.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Edward A. Chase,	'84, May 28.	'00, Jan. 24.	Wollaston.	P. C.
Francis E. Clark,	'76, Oct. 19.	'84, Jan. 16.	Auburndale.	Y. P. S. C. E.
Alfred E. Colton,	'84, May 28.	'99, Nov. 8.	Dorchester.	Sec.
Perley B. Davis,	'62, Jan. 29.	'63, July 7.	West Roxbury.	W. C.
Morton Dexter,	'73, April 30.	'84, Mar. 12.	Boston.	Editor.
Charles A. Dickinson,	'79, Sept. 27.	'99, Nov. 8.	*Sacramento, Cal.*	P.
Charles A. Dinsmore,	'85, July 20.	'96, Mar. 18.	South Boston.	P. C.
Albert E. Dunning,	'70, Sept. 29.	'71, Jan. 2.	Brookline.	Editor.
Percy H. Epler,	'98, May 26.	'98, Sept. 14.	South Boston.	Asst. P.
Solomon P. Fay,	'49, Sept. 6.	'82, Mar. 8.	Dorchester.	W. C.
George H. Flint,	'94, Oct. 22.	'96, Jan. 15.	Dorchester.	P.
William Gallagher,	'74, Dec. 1.	'98, Jan. 12.	South Braintree.	Prin.
Richard B. Grover,	'81, Oct. 4.	'92, May 11.	Cambridgeport.	P.
Benj. F. Hamilton,	'65, June 28.	'72, Mar. 12.	Roxbury.	W. C.
John A. Hamilton,	'61, Jan. 29.	'85, May 13.	Sharon.	Sec. A. E. S.
Harry O. Hannum,	'96, Sept. 16.	'00, Mar. 14.	Boston.	Asst. P.
Henry N. Hoyt,	'76, May 22.	'98, May 11.	Hyde Park.	P. C.
Albion H. Johnson,	'65, Oct. 13.	'83, May 9.	Dover.	P.
William S. Kelsey,	'85, May 27.	'99, May 10.	Allston.	Assoc. P.
John L. Kilbon,	'89, June 28.	'92, Sept. 14.	Newton Centre.	Editor.
Frederick T. Knight,	'97, Oct. 5.	'97, Nov. 10.	Wollaston,	W. C.
Arthur Little,	'63, Mar. 16.	'89, Sept. 18.	Dorchester.	P. C.
Achilles L. Loder,	'77, May 8.	'91, Nov. 5.	*Thetford, Vt.*	P.
Samuel L. Loomis,	'80, Oct. 14.	'97, Sept. 29.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Charles D. Lothrop,	'54, Dec. 14.	'93, Mar. 15.	Dorchester.	W. C.
Ellis Mendell,	'79, June 4.	'80, May 12.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Frank W. Merrick,	'91, Oct. 12.	'91, Nov. 5.	West Roxbury.	P. C.
Charles L. Morgan,	'76, Mar. 15.	'95, Jan. 16.	Jamaica Plain.	P. C.
Edwin L. Noble,	'96, May 18.	'01, Mar. 13.	Neponset.	P.
Cyrus P. Osborne,	'65, Nov. 2.	'00, Jan. 24.	Jamaica Plain.	Sect.
Albert H. Plumb,	'58, Nov. 10.	'85, Jan. 14.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Arthur P. Pratt,	'01, Mar. 13.	'01, May 8.	Medford Hillside.	P.
Winfred C. Rhoades,	'99, May 17.	'00, Sept. 19.	Roxbury.	P. C.
Edward H. Rudd,	'87, Oct. 25.	'01, Sept. 18.	Dedham.	P. C.
Joseph B. Seabury,	'75, Sept. 8.	'85, May 13.	Wellesley Hills.	W. C.
Judson Smith,	'66, Oct. 17.	'85, Mar. 11.	Roxbury.	A. B. C. F. M.
George F. Stanton,	'66, June 6.	'90, Jan. 15.	Boston.	W. C.
Herbert W. Stebbins,	'83, Aug. 28.	'97, Sept. 29.	Boston.	W. C.

19. SUFFOLK SOUTH (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
J. Spencer Voorhees,	'84, July 9.	'00, Mar. 14.	Roslindale.	P. C.
Eugene C. Webster,	'90, May 28.	'94, Sept. 19.	Jamaica Plain.	Sec.
John H. Whitaker,	'93, Dec. 19.	'98, May 11.	Atlantic.	P.
Cyrus L. D. Younkin,	'93, April 8.	'92, Mar. 9.	Boston.	M.

Licentiate. — Albert E. Wurst, Boston, licensed Sept. 18, 1901, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May, September and November.

Rev. George H. Flint, Dorchester, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

20. SUFFOLK WEST, Organized, January 8, 1867.

Orson P. Allen,	'55, Sept. 26.	'01, Oct. 23.	Auburndale.	W. C.
James L. Barton,	'85, June 29.	'97, Feb. 8.	Newton Cen.	A.B.C.F.M.
Adolph A. Berle,	'87, Sept. 14.	'91, Dec. 14.	Brighton.	P. C.
Erastus Blakeslee,	'80, Feb. 17.	'94, Feb. 12.	Brookline.	W. C.
George H. Cate,	'79, April 2.	'94, June 11.	Boston.	Sect.
Edward L. Clark,	'61, Aug. 8.	'93, April 11.	Boston.	P. C.
William H. Cobb,	'72, April 18.	'88, June 11.	Newton Cen.	Cong. Lib.
Calvin Cutler,	'62, Mar. 12.	'68, Feb. 4.	Auburndale.	P. C. Em.
Charles H. Daniels,	'73, Nov. 20.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton. Sec.	A.B.C.F.M.
Ozora S. Davis,	'96, Sept. 14.	'00, Oct. 16.	Newtonville.	P. C.
William H. Davis,	'77, July 5.	'96, Oct. 12.	Newton.	P. C.
Samuel W. Dike,	'69, Feb. 8.	'87, Oct. 11.	Auburndale.	Sec.N.D.R.L.
Parris T. Farwell,	'83, Oct. 23.	'95, Dec. 9.	Wellesley Hills.	P. C.
Addison P. Foster,	'66, Oct. 3.	'01, Oct. 23.	Auburndale.	A.S.S.U.
Bradford M. Fullerton,	'68, Feb. 12.	'81, Dec. 18.	Brockton.	W. C.
George P. Gilman,	'72, Aug. 28.	'85, Oct. 6.	Waverley.	P.
George A. Gordon,	'77, Jan. 20.	'86, April 20.	Boston.	P. C.
John O. Haarvig,	'83, Oct. 13.	'95, Dec. 9.	Allston.	P. C.
Harris G. Hale,	'91, Sept. 3.	'97, April 12.	Brookline.	P. C.
Charles E. Harrington,	'74, Oct. 27.	'95, Dec. 9.	Waltham.	P. C.
Ralph J. Haughton,	'91, Nov. 24.	'99, Oct. 9.	Weymouth Heights.	P.
Charles E. Havens,	'81, Sept. 15.	'94, April 9.	Littleton.	P. C.
George A. Hood,	'69, Sept. 30.	'96, Feb. 10.	Boston. Sec. C. C.	B. S.
Edwin Leonard,	'52, Mar. 25.	'93, Dec. 11.	Melrose Highlands.	W. C.
Oscar Lindegren,	'93, Dec. 7.	'00, June 11.	East Boston.	Miss.
William T. McElveen,	'90, May 15.	'00, Dec. 12.	Boston.	P. C.
George A. Matthews,	'95, April 3.	'98, Dec. 19.	Auburndale.	W. C.
Darius A. Morehouse,	'65, June 18.	'90, Dec. 3.	Newton Centre.	W. C.
Edward M. Noyes,	'83, Sept. 26.	'95, Feb. 25.	Newton Centre.	P. C.
Henry E. Oxnard,	'94, Nov. 13.	'00, Feb. 13.	Newton.	P.
Henry J. Patrick,	'54, Nov. 16.	'67, Jan. 8.	Newtonville.	P. C. Em.
George G. Phipps,	'68, Jan. 23.	'78, Dec. 10.	Newton Highlands.	W. C.
Cyrus Pickett,	'67, Feb. 28.	'01, Dec. 11.	Boston.	W. C.
Edward C. Porter,	'84, June 24.	'90, Feb. 10.	Watertown.	P. C.
Theodore P. Prudden,	'74, Dec. 22.	'94, Dec. 10.	West Newton.	P. C.

20. SUFFOLK WEST (*Continued*).

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Isaac O. Rankin,	'80, July 21.	'96, June 8.	*Peekskill, N. Y.*	W. C.
Oliver D. Sewall,	'92, Sept. 27.	'97, Oct. 11.	Brookline.	Asst. P.
Ezra H. Slack,	'81, Oct. 13.	'01, April 17.	Brookline.	W. C.
William S. Smith,	'54, April 27.	'74, Dec. 8.	Worcester.	W. C.
Charles M. Southgate,	'70, Dec. 15.	'96, Feb. 10.	Auburndale.	P. C.
S. Lewis B. Speare,	'74, Jan. 30.	'96, Dec. 14.	Newton.	W. C.
E. Ellsworth Strong,	'59, April 10.	'67, April 8.	Auburndale.	Editor.
Reuben Thomas,	'58, Dec. 7.	'76, Feb. 8.	Brookline.	P. C.
Alexander S. Twombly,	'59, Feb. 10.	'93, April 11.	Newton.	W. C.
Elbridge C. Whiting,	'91, Sept. 30.	'00, June 11.	Belmont.	P.

Licentiates. — Arthur W. Kelly, Auburndale, license renewed February, 1900, for three years; Edward P. Kelly, Auburndale, renewed, April 10, 1899, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in February, April, June, October and December.

Rev. Elbridge C. Whiting, Belmont, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

21. TAUNTON, Organized, November 21, 1826.

Wm. W. Adams,	'60, Jan. 26.	'64, Nov. 29.	Fall River.	P. C.
James A. Anderson,	'89, Oct. 10.	'00, Jan. 17.	Somerset.	P.
Samuel V. Cole,	'89, Oct. 29.	'89, Nov. 13.	Norton.	Pres. Sem.
Zenas Crowell,	'77, Dec. 19.	'01, Jan. 9.	Attleboro Falls.	P.
James E. Enman,	'95, Dec. 31.	'00, Jan. 17.	Fall River.	P. C.
Francis A. Fate,	'94, Nov. 1.	'98, Nov. 9.	Taunton.	P. C.
Avery K. Gleason,	'86, Dec. 14.	'00, Nov. 14.	Raynham.	P.
Charles E. Harris, Jr.,	'94, Oct. 9.	'98, Nov. 9.	*Brooklyn, N. Y.*	W. C.
William R. Joyslyn,	'64, Feb. 4.	'00, Nov. 14.	Berkley.	P.
William Knight,	'86, Sept. 4.	'98, Nov. 9.	Boston.	P. C.
Dorrall Lee,	'74, Sept. 16.	'99, Nov. 8.	*Presque Isle, Me.*	P.
Hallah H. Loud,	'97, Dec. 16.	'98, Jan. 12.	East Taunton.	P. C.
Frank L. Luce,	'95, Nov. 6.	'98, May 11.	Taunton.	P. C.
Payson W. Lyman,	'71, May 10.	'89, May 8.	Fall River.	P. C.
Henry C. McComas,	'00, Oct. 26.	'01, Nov. 13.	North Attleboro.	P. C.
Henry G. Megathlin,	'96, Dec. 19.	'97, Jan. 13.	Wollaston.	P.
J. Lee Mitchell,	'87, Nov. 11.	'01, Nov. 13.	Attleboro.	P.
George H. Perry,	'88, April 7.	'91, Nov. 13.	Lakeville.	P.
Edward N. Pomeroy,	'68, Nov. 11.	'82, May 10.	Wellesley.	W. C.
Charles A. Ratcliffe,	'91, April.	'97, Mar. 10.	Norton.	P.
Samuel P. Rondeau,	'92, Nov. 22.	'98, Mar. 9.	Fall River.	P. C.
Charles L. Tomblen,	'77, Aug. 30.	'01, Mar. 20.	North Middleboro.	P. C.
William F. Warren,	'78, Oct. 13.	'98, Nov. 9.	Malden.	W. C.
Charles B. Wathen,	'83, June 14.	'98, Mar. 9.	Rehoboth.	P.
T. Clayton Welles,	'72, Oct. 25.	'92, Nov. 9.	Lowell.	P. C.
John Whitehill,	'61, Dec. 11.	'69, Nov. 10.	Oldtown.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Wednesdays in January, March, May and November.

Rev. Payson W. Lyman, Fall River, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

22. WOBURN, Organized, September, 1833.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
Charles Anderson,	'74, Sept. 2.	'74, Sept. 15.	*Constantinople.*	Robt. C.
A. Herbert Armes,	'89, Dec. 18.	'99, Oct. 31.	Carlisle.	P.
William F. Bacon,	'67, Sept. 26.	'90, Feb. 4.	Medford.	W. C.
John Barstow,	'87, June 29.	'95, Feb. 19.	*Wethersfield, Ct.*	W. C.
William J. Batt,	'59, Sept. 29.	'59, Nov. 15.	Concord Junc.	Chaplain.
Theodore P. Berle,	'93, Oct. 3.	'93, Oct. 17.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Wolcott Calkins,	'62, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Newton.	P.
Charles F. Carter,	'83, Sept. 13.	'97, Feb. 17.	Lexington.	P. C.
Judson Van Clancy,	'87, Sept. 7.	'96, Mar. 17.	West Medford.	P. C.
Joshua Coit,	'60, Nov. 13.	'89, Jan. 29.	Winchester.	H. M. Sec.
Eugene E. Colburn,	'75, Sept. 18.	'98, Nov. 25.	*Broad Brook, Ct.*	P.
Marshall M. Cutter,	'68, Dec. 29.	'74, Nov. 17.	Boston.	W. C.
Albert P. Davis,	'94, Nov. 22.	'95, Feb. 19.	Wakefield.	P. C.
B. Alfred Dumm,	'91, June 4.	'01, Nov. 19.	Stoneham.	P. C.
Walter A. Evans,	'86, June 29.	'95, Dec. 17.	*Forest City, Ia.*	W. C.
James L. Fowle,	'78, July 3.	'98, Nov. 15.	*Turkey.*	F. M.
Henry H. French,	'86, April 25.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	P. C.
Henry H. Hamilton,	'72. Sept. 1.	'98, Nov. 15.	Lexington.	W. C.
Elijah Harmon,	'67, Oct. 17.	'86, Mar. 16.	South Braintree.	W. C.
Robert W. Haskins,	'72, Oct. 19.	'98, Nov. 8.	Reading.	W. C.
James L. Hill,	'75, Sept. 15.	'87, June 13.	Salem.	W. C.
John H. Hoffman,	'77, Aug. 21.	'01, Nov. 19.	North Reading.	P.
Frank S. Hunnewell,	'88, June 27.	'99, Feb. 21.	Reading.	P. C.
Burke F. Leavitt,	'73, May 7.	'95, Jan. 29.	Melrose Highlands.	P. C.
Elihu Loomis,	'51, Oct. 22.	'98, Nov. 15.	Centerville.	W. C.
George E. Lovejoy,	'73, July 16.	'94, May 9.	*Pittsfield, N. H.*	P. C.
Thomas MacBriar,	'90, Jan. 15.	'98, Nov. 15.	Melrose.	W. C.
Daniel March,	'45, April 25.	'77, May 15.	Woburn.	P. C. Em.
Truman A. Merrill,	'58, July 14.	'98, Nov. 5.	Malden.	W. C.
Robert D. Miller,	'56, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Malden.	W. C.
D. Augustine Newton,	'82, Sept. 21.	'85, Dec. 16.	Winchester.	P. C.
Isaac Pierson,	'70, Mar. 30.	'96, Oct. 8.	Medford.	P. C.
Walter H. Rollins,	'98, Aug. 26.	'01, Nov. 19.	Wilmington.	P. C.
Charles Scott,	'54, Dec. 27.	'01, Nov. 19.	Reading.	W. C.
Doremus Scudder,	'85, June 17.	'95, Dec. 17.	*Japan.*	A. B. C. F. M.
Thomas Sims,	'75, June 9.	'98, Nov. 1.	Melrose.	P.
Azro A. Smith,	'64, Feb. 11.	'00, June 5.	Reading.	W. C.
Edwin Smith,	'65, Jan. 11.	'88, May 1.	Ballardvale.	P.
George H. Tilton,	'73, June 4.	'98, Nov. 15.	North Woburn.	P. C.
Peter Vincentius,	'88, Aug. 19.	'89, Jan. 29.	East Boston.	P.
Joshua W. Wellman,	'51, June 18.	'64, Mar. 17.	Malden.	W. C.
William H. Willcox,	'50, Mar. 5.	'58, Jan. 19.	Malden.	W. C.
J. Christopher Williams,	'90, Feb. 23.	'99, Feb. 21.	*Woodville, N. Y.*	P.

Licentiate. — Albert V. Fisher, *Derry, N. H.*, renewed Nov. 9, 1897, for three years.

STATED MEETINGS. — Third Tuesdays in February, April, September and November.

Rev. Albert P. Davis, Wakefield, *scribe* and *treasurer*.

23. WORCESTER CENTRAL, Organized, November 4, 1823.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
August L. Anderson,	'86, June 28.	'98, Feb. 8.	Orange.	P.
Thomas E. Babb,	'69, Jan. 19.	'94, April 3.	Holden.	P.
Orange C. Bailey,	'85, Oct. 13.	'94, Nov. 13.	Worcester.	P.
Albert Bryant,	'65, Sept. 20.	'86, Feb. 2.	Scituate Centre.	P.
Charles M. Carpenter,	'90, April 22.	'01, April 9.	Oxford.	P.
Arcturus Z. Conrad,	'85, June 2.	'90, Feb. 3.	Worcester.	P. C.
Amos H. Coolidge,	'57, April 21.	'67, July 7.	Worcester.	W. C.
Samuel B. Cooper,	'87, June 19.	'99, Feb. 7.	Boylston Centre.	P.
Joseph W. Cross,	'34, Oct. 1.	'41, Jan. 5.	Worcester.	W. C.
William N. T. Dean,	'75, Feb. 3.	'89, Feb. 5.	Whately.	P.
Austin Dodge,	'66, Oct. 6.	'90, Feb. 4.	Burlington.	P.
George S. Dodge,	'72, Aug. 16.	'78, May 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Dodge,	'83, Sept. 25.	'84, Feb. 5.	West Boylston.	P.
Henry C. Fay,	'58, Dec. 28.	'81, May 2.	Somerville.	W. C.
Walcott Fay,	'84, Feb. 20.	'90, Feb. 4.	Nantucket.	W. C.
Joseph F. Gaylord,	'67, Nov. 7.	'01, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	W. C.
Dwight Goddard,	'94, July 17.	'00, Nov. 13.	Lancaster.	W. C.
Samuel A. Harlow,	'82, Oct. 15.	'96, Feb. 4.	Grafton.	P. C.
Joseph N. Haskell,	'00, June 22.	'01, Feb. 5.	*Northwood Cen., N. H.*	P.
Albert W. Hitchcock,	'91, Dec. 15.	'01, April 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
John E. Hurlbut,	'75, Mar. 24.	'97, Feb. 15.	*Wapping, Ct.*	P.
William W. Jordan,	'84, Oct. 9.	'94, Nov. 13.	Clinton.	P. C.
Alexander Lewis,	'90, May 28.	'96, April 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Joseph F. Lovering,	'60, June 17.	'88, April 3.	Somerville.	W. C.
Archibald McCullagh,	'71, May 2.	'91, April 27.	Worcester.	W. C.
Henry F. Markham,	'80, Sept. 22.	'95, Nov. 12.	*Portis, Kan.*	W. C.
John H. Matthews,	'91, May 5.	'97, Nov. 9.	Worcester.	P.
Daniel Merriman,	'68, Sept. 30.	'78, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	P. C. Em.
Lyman Mevis,	'91, Oct. 1.	'01, April 9.	Worcester.	P.
Eldridge Mix,	'60, Dec. 6.	'94, April 3.	Worcester.	C. M.
Ellsworth W. Phillips,	'91, Oct. 19.	'92, Feb. 9.	Worcester.	P. C.
Charles M. Pierce,	'63, Sept. 2.	'91, Feb. 3.	Auburn.	P.
George H. Pratt,	'60, Oct. 11.	'94, Nov. 13.	Paxton.	P.
David C. Reid,	'84, July 29.	'96, April 7.	Leicester.	P. C.
F. C. F. Scherff,	'76, April 9.	'90, April 1.	*Muscatine, Io.*	P.
Willard Scott,	'79, Oct. 29.	'99, Feb. 7.	Worcester.	P. C.
Arthur H. Sedgwick,	'90, Nov. 11.	'01, April 9.	Shrewsbury.	P.
J. Addison Siebert,	'94, July 19.	'01, Nov. 12.	Worcester.	P.
William T. Sleeper,	'54, June 29.	'54, Sept. 5.	Newton.	W. C.
Rufus M. Taft,	'93, June 16.	'94, Feb. 6.	Worcester.	Evan.
Albert G. Todd,	'90, June 10.	'97, Feb. 15.	Worcester.	P.
John E. Tuttle,	'83, May 22.	'97, Nov. 9.	Lincoln, Neb.	P.
John Udd,	'96, July 2.	'98, Nov. 15.	Cambridge.	W. C.
Charles A. White,	'73, Sept. 3.	'96, Nov. 10.	Princeton.	P.
Inman L. Wilcox,	'89, Oct. 18.	'90, Feb. 4.	Worcester.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — First Tuesdays in February and April, and second Tuesday in November.

Rev. Albert G. Todd, Worcester, *scribe.*

24. WORCESTER NORTH, Organized, June 18, 1818.

Members.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Membership.	Residence.	Employment.
James A. Bates,	'60, Sept. 19.	'99, April 25.	South Royalston.	P.
Rolla G. Bugbee,	'76, Nov. 8.	'98, Jan. 25.	Athol.	P.
Irving A. Burnap,	'92, Sept. 15.	'01, Sept. 24.	Phillipston.	P.
Joseph S. Cogswell,	'68, Nov. 14.	'94, Jan. 23.	Ashburnham.	W. C.
Preston R. Crowell,	'90, Sept. 4.	'98, July 12.	Petersham.	P.
Francis J. Fairbanks,	'64, Aug. 31.	'95, July 9.	Royalston.	P. C.
Robert J. Flóody,	'87, Sept. 7.	'98, April 26.	Boston.	W. C.
John H. Garman,	'47, Nov. 3.	'66, Oct. 2.	North Orange.	W. C.
Burton S. Gilman,	'97, May 16.	'97, April 26.	Gardner.	P. C.
Edwin S. Gould,	'73, Oct. 1.	'94, Jan. 23.	*Providence, R. I.*	W. C.
John W. Hird,	'79, Mar. 19.	'91, April 28.	Baldwinville.	P. C.
Milan H. Hitchcock,	'57, Aug. 25.	'63, April 28.	Hubbardston.	P.
Albert V. House,	'94, June 20.	'95, April 23.	New Salem.	P.
Gustavus W. Jones,	'69, May 27.	'91, April 28.	Winchendon.	P. C.
Gabriel B. Kambour,	'93, April 5.	'93, April 25.	Templeton.	P. C.
Francis B. Knowlton,	'65, Aug. 29.	'86, Jan. 26.	Athol.	W. C.
John W. Lees,	'70, Nov. 16.	'96, April 28.	Westminster.	P.
George J. Pierce,	'72, Aug. 8.	'82, April 25.	Worcester.	P.

STATED MEETINGS. — Fourth Tuesdays in January and April, second Tuesday in July, and last Tuesday in September.
Rev. Francis B. Knowlton, Athol, *scribe*.

25. WORCESTER SOUTH, Organized, in 1818.

Frank L. Bristol,	'75, Oct. 25.	'88, Oct. 9.	Uxbridge.	P. C.
Andrew Campbell,	'96, Sept. 24.	'00, Jan. 19.	Webster.	P.
James H. Childs,	'75, Oct. 7.	'85, Jan. 13.	Northbridge Centre.	P.
Edward W. Clark,	'50, Jan. 1.	'00, Jan. 19.	Westboro.	W. C.
David M. Didriksen,	'92, July 13.	'92, Oct. 11.	Roxbury.	W. C.
George P. Eastman,	'91, May 12.	'92, Jan. 12.	Millbury.	P. C.
John C. Hall,	'90, May 20.	'92, Jan. 12.	Sutton.	P. C.
David Howie,	'89, Feb. 27.	'94, Oct. 9.	Saundersville.	P.
Frank A. Lombard,	'00, Aug. 9.	'00, Sept. 11.	*Kioto.*	A. B. C. F. M.
Augustine P. Manwell,	'00, Sept. 18.	'00, Dec. 11.	Northbridge.	P.
Aaron B. Peffers,	'55, May 29.	'93, April 11.	Stoneham.	W. C.
Charles P. Pierce,	'98, Nov. 15.	'98, June 14.	East Douglas.	P.
George A. Putnam,	'60, Nov. 14.	'71, Oct. 17.	Millbury.	P. C.
Wallace H. Sterns,	'97, July 14.	'01, Sept. 10.	Blackstone.	P.
John R. Thurston,	'59, Jan. 20.	'72, Jan. 9.	Whitinsville.	P. C.
Alexander Wiswall,	'79, Sept. 24.	'94, Jan. 9.	Upton.	P. C.

STATED MEETINGS. — Second Tuesdays in March, June, September and December.
Rev. James H. Childs, Northbridge Centre, *scribe*.

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Austin, Leon H., Washington Street ch., Quincy, *o. i.*, Octobe
Bailey, Henry L., Longmeadow, *i.*, November 13.
Bennett, Henry J., Andover, *o f. m.*, June 3.
Benneyan, Hachadoor G., Armenian ch., Worcester, *o.*, Decem
Bigelow, E Victor, Eliot ch., Lowell, *i.*, April 25.
Burrows, Frederick W., First ch., Braintree, *r. p.*, December 3.
Carey, Edward F., Andover, *o. f. m.*, June 3.
Dumm, Benjamin A., Stoneham, *i*, March 20.
Elkins, Wendell Phillips, Wareham, *r. min.*, November 21.
Flagg, James W., Merrimac, *i*, May 22.
Goodacre, James J., Winthrop, *i.*, May 29.
Gordon, George A., Central ch., Worcester, *o.*, June 4.
Harlow, Samuel A., Grafton, *i.*, July 2.
Havens, Charles E., Littleton, *i.*, July 18.
Howe, George M., Groton, *i.*, November 12.
Keedy, John L., Walpole, *i.*, May 24.
Le Bosquet, John E., North Avenue ch., Cambridge, *o.*, Decen
Lyman, Eugene W., Cummington, *o.*, August 15.
Macnair, William M., Mansfield, *o. i.*, October 4.
Merriam, Charles W., Cohasset, *o. i.*, June 25.
Newton, George J., Emmanuel ch., Springfield, *i.*, December 4
Parker, Frederick, Chatham, *o. i.*, December 14.
Platner, John W., Shepard Memorial ch., Cambridge, *o.*, June
Pratt, Arthur P., West Roxbury, *o.*, March 12.
Pratt, N. Miller, Monson, *i.*, May 29.
Ropes, James H., Shepard Memorial ch., Cambridge, *o.*, June
Rudd, Edward H., First ch., Dedham, *i.*, April 24.
Snell, Laird W., North Brookfield, *o. i.*, 1900, December 24.
Snow, Everard W., Walnut Avenue ch., Boston, *o.*, November
Stackpole, Everett S., First ch., Bradford, June 11.
Stoops, John D., First ch., Easthampton, *o.*, November 20.
Strong, William E., First ch., Amherst, *i.*, October 24.
Taylor, John G., Arlington Heights, *i.*, October 30.
Thayer, Frederick D., Dudley, *o. i.*, October 2.
Thompson, W. Sherman, East Somerville, *i.*, October 1.
Walker, John J., Westboro, *i.*, December 18.
Walker, William S., Chester, *r.*, November 20.
Weeden, Charles F., Central ch., Lynn, *i.*, February 27.
Welles, T. Clayton, Highland ch., Lowell, *i.*, October 30.
Wood, Sumner G., Blandford, *i.*, June 26.
Wright, Richard, Belleville ch., Newburyport, *i.*, June 5.
Wylie, Edmund M., North Beverley, *o. i.*, June 20.
Wyman, Daniel B., Heath, *o.*, November 7.

Dismissions.

Akeson, Ludwig, Scandinavian ch., Woburn, September 30.
Bacon, William A., Shelburne Falls, December 31.
Bigelow, E. Victor, Cohasset, January 30.
Cobb, Elisha G., Florence, November 12.
Cross, Allen E., Park ch., Springfield, June 29.
Estabrook, F. Phillip, First ch., Georgetown, June 27.
Gaylord, Joseph F. Barre, 1900, June 19.
Havens, Charles E., Newton Highlands, February 1.
Kendall, Robert R., Weymouth Heights, January 2.
Kingsbury, John D., First ch., Bradford, June 11.
McCartney, Henry R., First ch., Amherst, March 19.
Nelson, Andrew P., Swedish ch., Lowell, May 20.
Newton, Albert F., Union ch., Haverhill, May 28.
Rich, Charles S., Stockbridge, October 28.
Sewall, John L., North Brookfield, November 1.
Swartz, Herman F., Mansfield, May 21.
Tuttle, John E., Union ch., Worcester, April 22.
Udd, John, Second Swedish ch., Worcester, October —.
Walker, John J., Yarmouth, November 6.
Wallace, Robert W., First ch., East Somerville, March 19.
Welles, T. Clayton, Taunton, June 25.
Wood, Sumner G., First ch., Easthampton, May 1.

Deaths.

Allen, Simeon O., *w. c.*, West Springfield, April 22, aged 63 years.
Bancroft, Cecil F. P., *Prin.*, Andover, October 4, aged 61 years.
Benedict, William A., *w. c.*, Newton Centre, April 19, aged 79 years.
Byington, Ezra H., *w. c.*, Newton, May 16, aged 72 years.
Emery, Samuel H., *p. c. em.*, Taunton, October 3, aged 86 years.
Foster, Davis, *p. c. em.*, Washington, D. C., Dec. 14, aged 79 years.
Gates, Hiram N., *w. c.*, Medford, February 7, aged 80 years.
Hardy, Daniel W., *p.*, Billerica, July 28, aged 67 years.
Howard, Hiram L., *w. c.*, Ware, July 25, aged 73 years.
Ide, Alexis W., *w. c.*, West Medway, December 21.
Munroe, Charles W., *p. c.*, Cambridge, August 19, aged 79 years.
Murphy, Thomas D., *p.*, Chester, May 18, aged 63 years.
Paine, Albert, *w. c.*, Roxbury, May 15, aged 81 years.
Smith, Charles B., *w. c.*, West Medford, June 2, aged 85 years.
Smith, Henry H, *w. c.*, Chesterfield, August 28, aged 61 years.
Sterling, George, *p.*, Windsor, November 26, aged 59 years.
Teele, Albert Kendall, *p. c. em.*, Milton, March 11, aged 80 years.
Thayer, Joseph H., *Prof. em.*, Cambridge, Nov. 26, aged 73 years.
Thompson, Augustus C., *p. c. em.*, Roxbury, Sept. 26, aged 89 years.
Tufts, James, *w. c.*, Monson, April 29, aged 88 years.
Voorhees, Louis B., *p. c.*, Niantic, Ct., July 26, aged 54 years.
Webb, Edwin B., *p. c. em.*, Roxbury, May 20, aged 81 years.
Wilson, John G., *w. c.*, Salem, December 8, aged 81 years.

Marriages.

Armes, A. Herbert, of Carlisle, and Caroline Mooers, of Lawrence, at West Roxbury, November —.

Blanchard, Ferdinand Q., of West Newton, and Ethel Hebard, of Newtonville, at Newtonville, June 19.

Côtè, Thomas G. A., of Lowell, and Miss Emma S. Elliott, of Haverhill, at Haverhill, July 31.

Crawford, Sidney, of Provincetown, and Edith Small, of Provincetown, at Provincetown, June 19.

Crooks, Charles M., of Colerain, and Miss Annie M. Marcy, of Dorchester, at Dorchester, September 25.

Macnair, William M., of Mansfield, and Miss Amy V. Wickett, of Howard, R. I., at Howard, R. I., October 15.

Manning, Frederick W., of Andover, and Mary S. Delano, of Marshfield, at Marshfield, June 12.

Park, Frank, of Beechwood, and Sadie Ayer Lowell, of Dexter, Me., at Ayer, October 9.

Stoops, John D., of Easthampton, and Mary E. Millner, of Cambridge, at Cambridge, December 25.

ADMISSIONS TO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The number of churches which received less than 10 new members in 1901 was 305; from 11 to 25, 131; from 26 to 50, 52; over 50, 12; churches giving no report, 6; churches which received no new members, 97; total, 603.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHURCHES

Two churches have less than 10 members; 16 churches have from 10 to 24 members; 71 from 25 to 49 members; 153 from 50 to 99; 99 from 100 to 149; 105 from 150 to 249; 115 from 250 to 499; 28 from 500 to 749; 7 from 750 to 1,000; 2 over 1,000.

STATISTICS ON BENEVOLENCES

The following statement shows the differences between the amounts received by the Treasurers of the Benevolent Societies and their auxiliaries and the amounts reported by the Churches:—

FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
Received by the Treasurer	$101,945
" " " Auxiliaries	75,748
Reported by the Churches	174,599
EDUCATION.	
Received by the Treasurer	23,180
Reported by the Churches	57,788
CHURCH BUILDING.	
Received by the Treasurer	26,953
Reported by the Churches	29,809
HOME MISSIONS.	
Received by the Treasurer	$ 92,394
" " " Auxiliaries	58,587
Reported by the Churches	157,982
AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.	
Received by the Treasurer	42,604
Reported by the Churches	36,447
SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	
Received by the Treasurer	17,780
Reported by the Churches	13,250

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DONATIONS TO THE AMERICAN AND MASSACHUSETTS BIBLE SOCIETIES

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WORK OF THE CHURCHES

No specific task was assigned to this committee at the last annual meeting of the Association. Being left free the committee chose to follow the lines of inquiry indicated by the time-honored phrase, "the state of religion." A circular letter, with directed and stamped envelopes for reply, was sent out, January 1, to the pastors or clerks of all the churches, containing the following preface and questions: —

"There is a wide impression that there has been a decline in the religious life and efficiency of our churches during the past few years, which seems to be warranted by such facts as the following: —

"The ratio of additions by profession to the whole membership of the churches in the State the last five years was one-fifth less than it was the five years before, and two-fifths less than the five years before that.

"We, therefore, desire as a committee to get the expression of the brethren throughout the State. Will you please answer the following questions to the best of your knowledge, and return at your earliest convenience before February 1, 1902: —

"Give us your inner thoughts and the answers will be treated as confidential.

"Question 1. Has there been a decline in religious interest in your field during the past few years? If so, in what respect?

"Question 2. To what do you attribute this decline, if it exists?

"Question 3. What remedies can you suggest?"

The hope was that these questions, though in general terms, would yield data for judging whether the pulse of piety in our churches was beating full or seriously failing. If our churches are abiding in strength of influence and service, it was felt to be quite time that the note of discouragement were silenced and the weight of misjudgment lifted from leaders and workers. And wherever loss should appear it was thought that signals of danger might be raised for the benefit of other churches.

Replies of some sort were received from the representatives of 339 churches, a clear majority of the 603 of our order in the State. This is a large response, as such things go, and is a significant index of the concern with which the interests of the kingdom of Christ are cherished by the body of Congregational ministers of Massachusetts. This evidence is strengthened by the care bestowed by a great majority of those

who wrote, upon their statements of existing conditions, at close range or at large. Unstinted devotion to the work of the Lord and a sagacious grasp of the situation are evidenced by many of the papers submitted. More numerous and fuller extracts would be brought into this report if its limits allowed. A number of correspondents expressed their particular interest in the line of inquiry pursued and confidence in its probable value. In a few cases the responses were by church clerks or other laymen, when pulpits were vacant or pastors temporarily absent. In some instances the opinions of laymen had been gathered by the clerical reporters. But as a whole the conspectus of church life furnished the committee is the minister's view. There is an incidental sign that at least the Christian grace of charity clothes most of our pastors, in the absence from the replies of harsh criticisms of other men. Only now and then a writer turns his satire upon the church boss. More in grief than in censure are the faults of church members pointed out. And in only two or three letters out of the 339 are theological professors and conspicuous leaders of religious thought classed with traitors. There is great variety in location and constituency in the body of Congregational churches in Massachusetts. No kind of place and no sort of people touched by our denomination is without representation in these reports. We have heard from all kinds of churches on avenues and on alleys, in factory towns and in academy villages, in the hill country and the populous summer resorts of the shore; from our German, Scandinavian, French and Armenian brethren, as well as the English-speaking churches.

If the competency of pastors as judges is challenged, we can only say that no one else watches the churches with such scrutiny and stands so nearly at the centre of all religious activities and influences. Your committee believes them as a rule wholly candid and able to hold themselves against the natural instinct to make out a good case for the churches which are the objects of their labor and love.

I. Proceeding now to an analysis of these replies, we have to lay one side the courteous acknowledgment by some nine or ten of the receipt of the questions. Most of these were unable to venture an opinion because of very brief observation in their present fields. One writer declined to contribute to an investigation which he thought certain to be barren of trustworthy information, owing to the dissimilar standards and temperaments of different men. Nine wrote fully, some of them with much discernment, but balanced items of gain and loss so nicely that the committee could not locate them under yes or no. These are omitted from the comparison. The nine churches of another group seem to be chronically in a low state, described in such comments as: "No noticeable decline, for none is possible," "cannot sink lower and live." These are classed affirmatively. Seventy-four answers

declare pretty positively a decline in local religious interest. Many of these extend the same judgment to the churches as a whole. Among the respects as to which decline is manifest may be mentioned by quotation: "Decrease in church attendance," "absence of non-Christians from church services," "fewer men in church," "fewer adults in Sunday school," "loss in Sabbath observance," "unbelief among Christians," "less concern for personal salvation," "less prayer for spiritual blessings," "fewer attendants at prayer meeting and fewer participants in it," "few active workers in the church," "less sense of responsibility for the unconverted," "less willingness to engage in personal efforts to win souls," "unwillingness to join the church on confession of faith or by letter," "careless moral tone of young people following the doubts of an older generation." Of more general application are these: "Fading out of the sense of God," "the prevailing indifference," "less preaching to the unsaved," "slight response to the call of the Gospel, showing dullness of conscience," "influence of the church less and consequent lower tone of conscience in communities".

Twenty-two sets of answers lean to the affirmative, but with qualification. In these cases there are gains to partly balance losses. If accessions to church membership are fewer than ten years ago, more people attend church, or benevolences have increased, or the working force in the church is better drilled and more alert. Many of the writers in this group view the decline in spirituality as inevitable in a transition period, but temporary only. Two specimen observations fairly represent this group: —

"Not in church activities, or church benevolences, and probably not in church attendance, but I suspect the relative proportion of those who attend church, in the community, compared with the population, is less now than ten years ago. Many families move into N——, who have no inclination to come into fellowship or attendance in the churches, well-to-do people who seem indifferent to religious matters; and I find many Christians disinclined to assume church obligations by taking their letters from us or bringing them to us from other churches in which they have been active members."

"The most serious decline, not confined to six years, is in a longing and an aggressive work to bring sinners to repent, turn and believe. It is not so much that the church forgets there are men and women beyond the help of 'Christian nurture,' which has come to be the main reliance for winning souls, but it seems to lack daring to believe such can be reached and to work for them.

"Everything else seems in as good case as we are accustomed to expect with, however, a general lowering of tone as to holy things, especially the Lord's Day."

Crossing to the other side of the line we count in the negative some

churches whose natural constituency and field of people have become smaller through sweeping changes in population. In many such cases there has been loss in numbers at every point, but no loss in faithfulness. The interest "has shrunk, not declined." To many of the reporters in this division the term religious interest has a pretty broad meaning. "Religious interest has not declined, but its manifestation has changed."

Eighty-seven negative answers deny a loss in the local field, but apparently concede a more or less prevalent falling off elsewhere. Causes for such decline are advanced and remedies suggested. The situation is thus characterized by two writers: "There is a decline from certain standards of the past in all our churches. I think it relative and not absolute. These are days of transition. The doctrine of evolution has given us a new psychology and pedagogy, and also a new Bible. We have been passing through times of necessary readjustment The old wine must be put in new bottles. Churches that will not see this, or on the other hand, churches that see this disproportionately must of course experience a decline." "In emotional interest, yes; in thoughtful and real interest, no. The old motive of salvation as a means of escape has lost its power. The true motive of salvation as a means of enabling men to be here and now, and forever after, what they ought to be, was never so potent as now."

From eighty-three other sources we hear a distinct "no." Many leave the matter stated sharply in the monosyllable, others add "by no means," "certainly not." Such claim to have held their own ground at least, and do not imply losses elsewhere.

Forty-six more in the negative column record a clear advance. A city mission has conducted two evangelistic campaigns within eighteen months Thereby its regular congregations have been doubled; large numbers of working people hopefully converted; young men enlisted in Bible study; and the whole outlook broadened and brightened. A church of medium size in a factory village has been much refreshed, and nearly a score of men and boys led to a hearty loyalty to Christ and to membership in the church during two years of a new pastor's service. An influential church in a county-seat reports gains all along the line following a healthy life for many years. This cheerful record specifies large additions on confession of faith and by letter, fullest attendance in Sunday school ever recorded, the support of a foreign missionary assumed, enthusiastic activity of all the organizations of the church, and an earnest religious spirit as best of all. The cords of this tabernacle have even been lengthened by the choice of additional deacons and the provision of more communion plates. This pastor says that in a personal pastoral experience of ten years he never felt so confident of good results, never so thoroughly enjoyed all his church work, as now. The

minister of a representative suburban church tells of a constantly rising tide of prosperity during a pastorate of some ten years, with largest congregations and most accessions to membership during the last years of this period. He never found it so easy as now to approach individuals with a personal religious appeal.

Bringing these figures together in a sentence, the reports yield these statistical conclusions: Of 339 churches reporting, a majority of the whole number in the state, the returns from 18 are indecisive; from 105 indicate a low condition or a decline; and from 214, at least a fair condition and no appreciable loss, 45 of this largest group having made an actual advance. In other words, to the question as to recent decay in religious interest, 105 practically answered "yes," and twice as many say "no." Probably there is most room for distrust of this summary in the case of those negative answers which carry with them notes as to causes and remedies for "decline elsewhere." The critic will perhaps suspect that if there is observed loss in many other fields, there may be in one's own, though not noticeable to his partial eyes. But even if this whole group were discarded there would remain 108 downright "no's" as against 105 who say "yes".

II. The report might perhaps stop here with the count of answers. But the causes given for the failing power of some of our churches claim attention, partly as showing that there are among them many of the standing difficulties of the Christian life and endeavor, peculiar to no age or place, and also that no one meets all kinds. We are not tempted above other men, nor more grievously than we shall be able to bear; and each church enjoys some merciful exemptions. The following causes for decline are reported and many more: "Change in character from a rural church to a suburban," "unchristian attitude between two Congregational churches," "electrics," "worldliness," "neglect of spiritual work by pastors and people," "too much liberalism," "lax theology," "confining religion to the future," "too much reliance on organization," "the general drift," "a transition period," "new statements of truth not yet popularized," "lack of positive teaching in colleges and seminaries," "the impression that all things are worn out," "the weakened authority of the Bible," "the craze for Orientalisms," "war." Two or three fuller extracts may be suggestive: —

"Multiplied social activities, clubs, classes, etc. An absorption of time and strength on the part of men in business affairs until recreation becomes a necessary diversion to weary minds and bodies. A growing spirit of worldliness among the rich and an increasing luxury of living, which fosters easy-going and selfish habits, and lowers moral ideals. And an increasing although vague sense that in the critical discussions and theological adjustment of the time, the church has lost authority in religious questions and been discounted by the masses."

"We are affected by the general trend of scientific and religious speculations, which are so strongly away from a sense of personal responsibility for sin and salvation, and towards an optimism which is to sweep all ultimately into the kingdom of God, no matter what we do here in this life."

"To the lessened sense of the divine in human life. Much has been leveled up, too much has been leveled down; in making the 'secular' sacred, we have made the sacred less divine.

"The most appreciable agency has been the apparent attack upon the superhuman element in the Bible. People at large have got the lower part of the higher criticism, the new view, but not yet the new light. Its destructive work means much more to them than its constructive power. This is the most easily appreciable influence that is recent. The old love of the world has got a re-enforcement from some psychology and church teaching."

III. Remedies are proposed as follows: "Church discipline," "meetings of church members for heart-searching and prayer," "new industries," "urge Sabbath observance," "personal canvass to locate misconceptions of truth, etc.," "emphasize conversion," "foster the spiritual life we have," "a more popular religious vocabulary," "press the Christian Endeavor pledge for church membership," "urge upon church members the prior claims of the church," "better system and organization in worship and work," "teach religion as a part of science," "place the spiritual above the material," "preach all the teachings of Christ," "preach the full counsel of God," "return to the authoritative Bible, the doctrines of grace and revivals," "insist upon such essentials as the new birth, repentance and faith," "send pastoral letters to absentees," "a closer intercourse between pastor and individuals for their religious upbuilding," "more exposition of the scriptures on new lines," "more emphasis on teaching functions of the church and on personal evangelistic effort," "more prayer for the power of the Holy Spirit," "a day of prayer throughout the state," "employment of the best men in the State as evangelists," "less attention to problems, more to souls." The spirit and methods needed in the church for these times are thus expressed by four observers:—

"A brave, glad accent upon the great Christian truths in Christian pulpits. A revival of the idea and duty of personal and individual work among Christians upon the people of this community. More out-and-out Christian living and Christian spirit at home, in business and in social life, as well as a clearer impression, in the church and out of it, that religion is of deep and real importance."

"The church of the past has been organized too much around the grown-up saint and has been preached too much to the grown-up sinner. The twentieth century church should be organized around the boys and

girls, and should teach and mobilize them in Christian life. It must exhort less and educate more."

"There is great need of more consecration upon the part of all Christians. This can only be secured by more faithful and forceful preaching of the Word. Too many churches are depending upon machinery rather than power. The institutional fad has done our churches great harm. There is nothing the world needs so much as the ministry of the church, but it is the church as a church that is wanted."

"A few organizations, well worked. The presentation of a simple Gospel message faithfully, intelligently, industriously and prayerfully prepared. Going to the homes of the people, personal touch. Setting the people to work, thereby placing them in the best environment for spiritual growth. Emphasizing of church brotherliness. A soul hunger, yes, passion, to save men. A realization that our full duty has not been performed as long as one soul remains unconverted in our community."

In conclusion the reading of these numerous and often conflicting bulletins from the churches has left certain general impressions.

1. There is no alarming decline in religious interest in our churches as a whole nor in the communities where they are placed. But decline is common enough to forbid self-complacency anywhere. Religious feeling is not emphasized or experienced or expressed as formerly; and doctrinal uncertainty is a temporary element of weakness in ministers and laymen alike. But the ministry was never purer in motive, never more conscientious and devoted. The people of our churches were never more faithful. The churches were never better organized for work; and the efforts to bless individuals and leaven society with truth and virtue never so out-reaching and far-reaching.

We sympathize with many in the emphasis laid by them on the spiritual mission of the church. Its first duty is to bear witness to the Unseen and Eternal, at a time when the human and temporal press upon the attention of every man. We regard as a matter of grave concern the very general apathy among confessed Christians regarding the careless and unbelieving about them; and particularly a disposition on the part of parents and pastors to leave the winning and training of the children to the somewhat irregular instruction and influence of the Sunday school.

2. Regarding the causes for such decline as exists, we cannot find in the mass of reports before us any clear indication of the comparative effects of changing population, worldliness, exhausting pressure of work and business, the distractions and attractions of Sunday travel, recreation and newspapers, and finally the historical and literary criticism of the Bible and the philosophy of evolution.

3. But regarding remedies and gains the reports make it evident that the future is for those pastors and churches who press the personal accountability of every man to God, for character and service; who preach the Gospel of Christ in its fulness as the power of God unto salvation; who make and encourage personal efforts for the conversion of individuals; who plan for and secure the Christian nurture of every child, with membership and activity in the church distinctly in view before the restless years are reached; and who consecrate all philanthropic, benevolent and educational activities in private, public and social prayer, and conduct all in the spirit of prayer. We have been gratified to find that faith, hope and love still abide in the Congregational ministry; and believe that those who are very courageous shall have good success.

AUSTIN B. BASSETT,
For the Committee.

REPORT OF THE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE

Your committee have, during the year, attended to such duties as have devolved upon them. Mills and Knight Company, of Boston, were again the lowest bidders for the printing of the Advance Reports and "Minutes," and at a price lower than last year, and your committee therefore contracted with them for the work.

We would recommend that a copy of the "Minutes" be sent annually to every Congregational clergyman of recognized standing and resident in the State.

We would also recommend that the Association, through a specially appointed committee, decide what papers and reports shall be printed in the "Minutes."

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MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS

Dates from the earliest times of the Colony. Annual business meeting in the court-room of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston, at 5 P. M., on the last Wednesday in May. Sermon at 11 A. M., on the day following. At this service a collection is taken, which, with the income of the Convention fund, is distributed to the widows and daughters of deceased Congregational ministers.

Every minister of a Congregational church in Massachusetts (whether Trinitarian or Unitarian) is *ex-officio* a member of the Convention.

There is a reporting committee of twenty-five, selected by counties throughout the State, by which recommendations are made to a central committee of seven, which decides on all applications for aid.

PERMANENT OFFICERS. — Rev. Benjamin F. Hamilton, Boston (Roxbury), *scribe*, and Rev. Henry F. Jenks, Canton, *treasurer*: to either of whom applications for aid may be addressed.

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Incorporated in 1786. Organized to hold the funds of the Convention. Composed of fifteen clergymen and fifteen laymen, elected from both branches of the Congregational body. Aids the widows and orphans of deceased Congregational clergymen who have died while holding the pastoral office in Massachusetts.

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IMPORTANT NOTICES

MEMBERSHIP

The special attention of the churches is called to the following RULE of the ASSOCIATION: —

ARTICLE IV. — MEMBERS. Each evangelical Congregational Church, Conference and Association in this Commonwealth may choose one delegate, and those delegates, together with the pastors of the churches who shall be members *ex officio*, the officers of this body, and two delegates from the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, shall constitute the General Association.

The following RESOLUTION was also adopted: —

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that churches sending delegates to the Annual Meetings of the General Association of Congregational Churches of Massachusetts shall be recommended to pay the expenses of the delegates whom they send.

A DELEGATE FROM EVERY CHURCH, with the Pastors, would give a membership of about twelve hundred.

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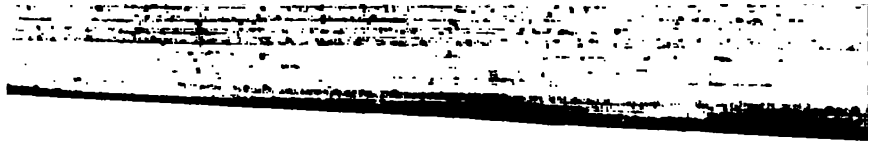

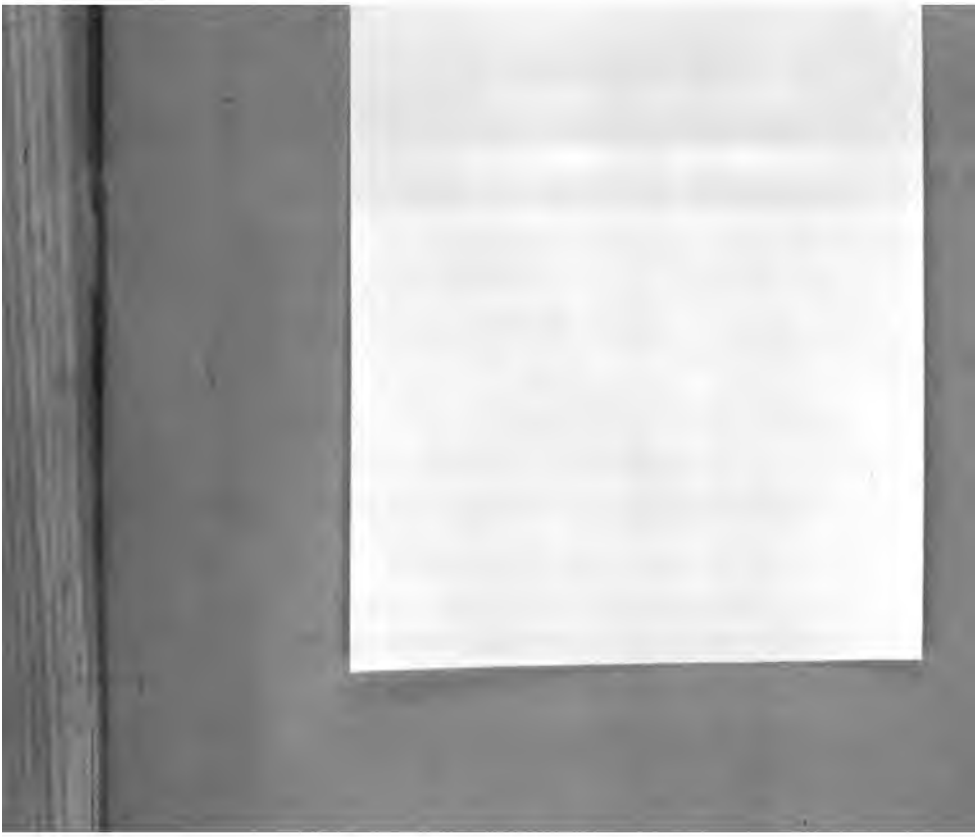

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